Significant Changes for the GSA Multiple Award Schedule (MAS) Solicitation (Interact post attachment)

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GSA anticipates that the refresh will occur in August 2024.

Summary of Planned Changes Below is a high-level description of significant changes to be included in the upcoming MAS refresh and mass modification. Be sure to review the final solicitation refresh and mass modification for full details.

A: Changes to Overall MAS Solicitation:

- 1. Implement revisions to SCP-FSS-001 Instructions Applicable to All Offerors
 - Added a note to highlight that specific MAS SINs participate in TDR (paragraph (f)). Offerors should review the MAS <u>Available Offerings</u> solicitation attachment published on SAM.gov to determine if a particular SIN is TDR eligible.
 - b. Add clarification on the requirement for Government Purchase Card (GPC) fees to be built into the awarded MAS price (paragraph (i)(3)(ii)(F)).
 - i. Note will be added to clause 52.232-36, Payment by Third Party, the standard Price Proposal Templates (Read Me First tab) and MAS Modification Guidance on <u>gsa.gov</u>
 - Proposed prices must be inclusive of all costs associated with acceptance of the Governmentwide commercial purchase card (e.g., payment processing fees). Schedule contractors may <u>not</u> impose a surcharge at the order level for payment by Governmentwide commercial purchase card.
- 2. Transactional Data Reporting (TDR) Pilot Expansion to 67 new SINs

Category	SINs Planned for Expansion
Facilities	None
Furniture & Furnishings	<u>321918PF, 337122OSB, 339920PARK, 339920S, 339950</u>
Human Capital	None
Industrial Products & Services	<u>321920, 322220, 326220, 327910, 331315A, 332913, 332999BMS, 332999P, 333414, 333415HVAC, 333912, 333914, 333921, 333922, 333923S, 333997, 33512, 335911, 335999, 339999S, 3PACK, 532412</u>
Information Technology	None
Miscellaneous	<u>3152, 316210, 339113PA, 339992, 339999ASB, 339999F</u>
Office Management	<u>325992, 333316P, 333318, 333318SBSA</u>
Professional Services	None
Scientific Management and Solutions	<u>333314, 333415, 333999, 334511, 334513, 334515, 334516, 334519ENV, 339112, 339113LAB, 339113R</u>
Security and Protection	<u>325412, 332216, 332312F, 332994, 332999, 336320, 337215, 339920, 339999E, 3FIRE</u>
Transportation & Logistics Services	<u>326211, 326212, 332439, 333318T, 334419, 336350, 3363P, 336612R, 336991</u>
Travel	None

- a. Participating in TDR is **optional**. However, once you decide to participate in the TDR pilot, you must continue to participate in TDR until the end of the pilot. You cannot opt out of TDR after you decide to opt in.
- b. If you opt in to TDR, the entire contract is subject to TDR terms and conditions for the remainder of the contract, including any option periods
- c. If you opt in to TDR after your contract is awarded by submitting a Participate in TDR modification request:
 - i. The effective date will align with the beginning of the next sales reporting quarter (e.g., October 1, January 1, April 1, or July 1).
 - ii. You are required to capture transactional data beginning on the effective date of the Participate in TDR modification (e.g., October 1, January 1, April 1, or July 1)
 - iii. Price Reductions Clause liability ends effective on the 1st day of the next sales reporting quarter following the execution of the Participate in TDR mod.
- d. For more information on the TDR pilot visit the TDR page on GSA.gov.

3. Implement revision to the Offer Products and Services Training Price Proposal Templates (PPT)

a. Products

- i. Add new note:
 - Note: For highly configurable products with a large number of options (i.e. 2,500+) and/or option categories (i.e., 50+), it is recommended to publish the most popular configurations in the Product File for publishing to GSA Advantage, and maintain the pricing for other product options in the Products Price Proposal Template and publish those items to the text file. Base items or Accessories included in the PRODUCTS tab are prohibited from being duplicated and published to the text file posted on GSA eLibrary.

b. Services and Training

- i. The **'Services Pricing'** tab, specifically column **U**, was updated with a formula to automatically populate to column **D** of the **'Fixed Escalation for Services'** tab see 'Read Me First' tab for instructions
- **4.** Implement revisions to the Modification Products and Services and Training Price Proposal Templates (PPT)

a. Products

- i. Revise note for EPAs against Options
 - Note: For EPAs against 'Options', a modification must be issued against the base product. Use the "Options tab" to populate the increase or decrease to the applicable option, using column K, "New Price."
- ii. Add new note:
 - Note: For highly configurable products with a large number of options (i.e. 2,500+) and/or option categories (i.e., 50+), it is recommended to publish the most popular configurations in the Product File for publishing to GSA Advantage, and maintain the pricing for other product options in the Products Price Proposal Template and publish those items to the text file. Base items or Accessories included in the PRODUCTS tab are prohibited from being duplicated and published to the text file posted on GSA eLibrary.
- iii. Add a 'New Price' column to the Options tab

b. Services and Training

- i. The **'Services Pricing (A)'** tab, specifically column **V**, was updated with a formula to automatically populate to column **D** of the **'FixedSrvs-20Yr(A)'** tab see **'Read Me First'** tab for instructions
- ii. The 'Services Pricing (B)' tab, specifically column V, was updated with a formula to automatically populate to column D of the 'FixedSrvs-20Yr(B)' tab see 'Read Me First' tab for instructions
- **5.** Incorporate clause and provision updates, as necessary, through Federal Acquisition Circular (FAC) 2024-05 and GSAR Change 182

B: Changes to Specific Large Category, Subcategory or SIN:

1. Facilities (B):

- a. Facilities Maintenance and Repair (B02): SIN 541690E Energy Services
 - i. Remove "Four-phase Comprehensive Energy Management Solution" from the SIN instructions

2. Industrial Products (E):

- a. Hardware and Tools Subcategory (E04):
 - SIN 332510C Hardware Store, Home Improvement Center, Industrial or General Supply Store, or Industrial Maintenance Repair and Operations (MRO) Distributor - Catalog & SIN 332510S - Hardware Store, Home Improvement Center, Industrial or General Supply Store, or Industrial Maintenance Repair and Operations (MRO) Distributor - Store Front
 - 1. Remove "Point of Sale requirements" from the SIN instructions
 - SIN 332510S Hardware Store, Home Improvement Center, Industrial or General Supply Store, or Industrial Maintenance Repair and Operations (MRO) Distributor - Store Front
 - 1. Remove "sustainable acquisition purchasing requirements of FAR 23" from the SIN Instructions
 - This is required for all SINs and is addressed in the Solicitation under Section III A. Terms and Conditions Related to Schedule Contract Administration.
- b. Industrial Products Subcategory (E05):
 - i. SIN 325320 Pest and Animal Control Products and Services
 - 1. Remove "Service Contract Act (FAR 22.10) and Davis-Bacon Act (FAR 22.404)" applicability from the SIN instructions.
 - a. Service Contract Labor Standards (SCLS) is applicable at the Schedule level for all service offers and the Davis-Bacon Act (DBA) is not applicable under this SIN.
 - Remove "U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Comprehensive Procurement Guidelines (recycled content) program or the U.S. Department of Agriculture BioPreferred (biobased) program" requirements.
 - This is required for all SINs and is addressed in the Solicitation under Section III A. Terms and Conditions Related to Schedule Contract Administration.
- 3. Transportation and Logistics Services (K):

- a. Package Delivery Subcategory (K03): SIN 492110 Package Delivery and Freight Trucking & SIN 492210SB Local Courier Delivery Services (SBSA)
 - i. Add 'Page Location' and 'Country of Origin' columns to the required SIN template
- b. Transportation of Things Subcategory (K05): SIN 485 Ground Transportation and SIN 532111 - Automotive Equipment Rental and Leasing - Rental Supplemental Vehicle Program (RSVP)
 - i. Add 'Page Location' and 'Country of Origin' columns to the required SIN templates

4. Travel (L):

- a. Employee Relocation Subcategory (L01): SIN 531 Employee Relocation Solution
- b. Lodging Subcategory (L02): SIN 531110 Long Term Lodging
 - i. Add 'Page Location' and 'Country of Origin' columns to the required SIN templates

C: Changes to Modification and mass modification guidance:

- 1. Revisions to Multiple Award Schedule (MAS) Modification Guide and Sample cover letters on <u>gsa.gov</u>
 - a. Add Joint Venture (JV) requirements (MAS Mod Guidance and sample cover letters)
 - b. Pricing terms document (Add SIN requirement in MAS Modification Guidance)
 - c. FCP guidance for various modifications/actions where there is a change to standard modification requirements (MAS Modification Guidance)