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

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GSA anticipates that the refresh will occur in March 2022.

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. Incorporate the following updates to SCP-FSS-001 (see GSA Interact notice attachment for revised text):
 - a. Updated SCP-FSS-001 paragraph (j)(3) by adding a section (viii.) addressing the allowability of remanufactured items under specific MAS SINs.
- 2. Incorporate updated Service Contract Labor Standards (SCLS) Wage Determinations
 - FAS is incorporating an updated WD index in accordance with current FAS policy:
 - i. There are no clause changes or policy changes to the application of SCLS at this time
 - ii. Offerors and contractors should ensure pricing and WD numbers are updated and included in their SCA matrix.
 - iii. A complete set of incorporated WDs can be found at the following link: www.gsa.gov/mascategoryrequirements.
- 3. Incorporate revised clause 52.222-55, Minimum Wages for Contractor Workers, in order to implement Executive Order (EO) 14026, Increasing the Minimum Wage for Federal Contractors

- **4.** Delete clause I-FSS-163, Option to Extend the Term of the Contract (Evergreen) (APR 2000) and replace with new clause, 552.238-116, Option to Extend the Term of the FSS Contract.
- **5.** Incorporate various clause and provision updates, as necessary, through <u>Federal Acquisition Circular (FAC) 2022-4</u> and <u>GSAR Change 149</u>
 - a. As a result, GSA expects to revise the following:
 - 52.204-21, 52.203-6 ALT I, 52.203-13, 52.204-21, 52.204-23, 52.204-24, 52.204-25, 52.209-6, 52.212-1, 52.212-3, 52.212-5, 52.215-20 ALT IV, 52.215-21 ALT IV, 52.219-9 ALT II, 52.222-50, 52.222-54, 52.225-1, 52.225-3, 52.225-11, 52.232-30, 52.232-40, 52.247-64, 52.222-55, 52.222-19, 52.222-62, 552.212-4, 552.212-71, 552.212-72, 552.238-75, 552.238-78, 552.238-82, 552.238-111, 552.238-114

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

- 1. Office Management (A):
 - a. Office Supplies Subcategory (A09)
 - i. Revise SIN description for SIN 339940, 339940OS4 and 33940OVER to clarify availability of remanufactured items.
 - ii. Revised SIN Description for 339940: 339940 Includes all office products, such as pens, paper, binders, external hard drives, toner cartridges, etc.
 - NOTE: Toner cartridges are the ONLY remanufactured item(s) allowable under this SIN. The remanufactured toner cartridges must be identified per 552.238-78 and meet the prescribed definition of "factory rebuilt to original specifications." Refurbished, reconditioned, repaired items are not within scope of the MAS Solicitation.
 - iii. Revised SIN Description for 339940OS4: 339940OS4 Offerors may offer their entire commercial catalog, or may offer a select, limited line of office products. Office products include, but are not limited to items such as: pens, pencils, markers, xerographic paper, printer paper, fax paper, 3D printing filaments and resins, binders, tape, envelopes, shredders, helicalscan, longitudinally oriented video tapes, video cassettes, reel to reel audio tapes, blank endless loop audio cartridge tapes, magnetic tape audio recording cassette, computer tape, reel, cartridge, cassette, diskettes, disk packs, disk cartridges, anti-glare/anti-radiation screens (VDT), ergonomic workstations products, cleaning equipment and supplies (head cleaners, disk drive cleaners, monitor cleaners, toner wipes, mini-vacuums, etc.) optical disks, CD-ROMS, DVD-ROMS, flash

drives, external hard drives, physical storage, security, protective and related ADP supplies, and toner cartridges. Toner cartridge offerors must provide arrangements for empty toner cartridges to be returned from customers. This may include prepaid shipping labels in the products packaging and/or rebates.

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Revised SIN Description for 339940OVER: 339940OVER Offerors may iν. offer their entire commercial catalog, or may offer a select, limited line of office products. Office products include, but are not limited to items such as: pens, pencils, markers, xerographic paper, printer paper, fax paper, 3D printing filaments and resins, binders, tape, envelopes, shredders, helical-scan, longitudinally oriented video tapes, video cassettes, reel to reel audio tapes, blank endless loop audio cartridge tapes, magnetic tape audio recording cassette, computer tape, reel, cartridge, cassette, diskettes, disk packs, disk cartridges, anti-glare/anti-radiation screens (VDT), ergonomic workstations products, cleaning equipment and supplies (head cleaners, disk drive cleaners, monitor cleaners, toner wipes, mini-vacuums, etc.) optical disks, CD-ROMS, DVD-ROMS, flash drives, external hard drives, physical storage, security, protective and related ADP supplies, and toner cartridges. Toner cartridge offerors must provide arrangements for empty toner cartridges to be returned from customers. This may include prepaid shipping labels in the products packaging and/or rebates.

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2. Facilities (B):

- a. Facilities Solutions Subcategory (B03)
 - i. SINs 541513 and 561210SB will be combined and items previously awarded under 541513 will be moved to SIN 561210SB.
 - ii. SIN 541513 will be terminated and closed to all new offers effective 3/31/2022.
 - iii. The title for SIN 561210SB will be revised from "Smart Buildings Systems Integrator" to "Smart Building Systems Integration."

3. Furniture and Furnishings (C):

- a. Packaged Furniture Subcategory (C07)
 - The Packaged Furniture Subcategory will be restructured to require and incorporate Contractor Teaming Agreements (CTA) in lieu of the current Letter of Supply.
 - ii. The instructions will be revised to make it clear that the products under the packaged furniture program are provided through MAS Contract Level Contractor Teaming Agreements (CTAs) with various suppliers within the MAS program.

iii. <u>Implementation Details:</u>

- Existing Vendors will have 180 days, from the date that the solicitation refresh and mass modification are issued, to provide CTAs and incorporate them via a Terms & Conditions Modification.
- Current vendors will be required to submit their CTAs via a Terms
 & Conditions modification within the 180-day transition period.
- During this transition period, vendors who have not provided CTAs via a T&C mod, and those who have, will remain eligible for new and existing opportunities.
- Those who do not submit their CTAs via a Terms & Conditions modification within the 180-day transition period will have all Team Members/Suppliers, whom they do not have a signed CTA with, removed from their awarded packaged SINs.
- Any new or existing offers that have not yet been awarded as of the date that Refresh 10 is issued must meet the new requirements.
- The IWACenter will be issuing detailed instructions and hosting industry training in advance of the solicitation refresh for all affected vendors.
 - Please contact <u>furniture@gsa.gov</u> if you have not received this information.
 - If you would like to attend the Industry Webinar scheduled for March 23, 2022 at 2:00 PM Eastern, please register at the following link.
- b. Miscellaneous Furniture Subcategory (C05): SIN 33721RSB Remanufactured Furniture (SBSA)
 - i. Revise SIN description for SIN 33721RSB to clarify availability of remanufactured items.
 - ii. Revised SIN Description for 33721RSB: 33721RSB Includes remanufactured furniture that meets the 552.238-78 prescribed definition of "factory rebuilt to original specifications." Proposed items under this

SIN must be specifically identified as remanufactured per 552.238-78. Refurbished, reconditioned, repaired items are not within scope of the MAS Solicitation.

NOTE: Small Business Set Aside (SBSA)

4. Miscellaneous (G):

- a. Complementary SINs Subcategory (G06): SIN OLM Order Level Materials (OLM)
 - Administrative changes to the SIN description, the revised SIN description is included below:
 - OLMs are supplies and/or services acquired in direct support of an individual task or delivery order placed against a Federal Supply Schedule (FSS) program contract or BPA. OLM pricing is not established at the FSS contract, but at the order level. Since OLMs are identified and acquired at the order or BPA level, the ordering contracting officer (OCO) is responsible for making a fair and reasonable price determination for all OLMs using FAR 15.404 techniques for commercial price determinations.

Using this procedure, ancillary supplies and services that are unknown at the time of the Schedule contract award may be included and priced at the order level or BPA level.

OLM SIN-Level Requirements/Ordering Instructions:

OLMs are:

- Purchased under the authority of the FSS Program as a special ordering procedure
- Identified at the order or BPA level (either at the time the order is placed or as the requirement for OLMs develop during the course of performance)
- Defined and priced at the ordering activity level in accordance with GSAR clause 552.238-115 Special Ordering Procedures for the Acquisition of Order-Level Materials.
- Only authorized for use in direct support of another awarded SIN.
- Only authorized for inclusion at the order level under a Timeand-Materials (T&M) or Labor-Hour (LH) Contract Line Item Number (CLIN)
- Subject to a Not To Exceed (NTE) ceiling price limited to 33.33% of the total value of the order or BPA

OLMs are not items awarded under ancillary supplies/services or other direct cost (ODC) SINs (these items are defined, priced, and awarded at the FSS contract level)

NOTE: When used in conjunction with a Cooperative Purchasing eligible SIN, this SIN is Cooperative Purchasing Eligible.

5. Scientific Management and Solutions (I):

- a. Scientific Services Subcategory (I04): SIN 532490ESA Equipment Service Agreements
 - ii. Revise SIN description for SIN 532490ESA to clarify availability of remanufactured items.
 - iii. Revised SIN Description for 532490ESA: Offers the customer an option to receive all labor, parts, and materials necessary to maintain equipment in good operating condition. Includes emergency services, engineering hardware and software modifications, operator training, instrument certification, etc.

NOTE: All remanufactured parts used in providing Product Support Options must be identified per 552.238-78 and meet the prescribed definition of "factory rebuilt to original specifications." Refurbished, reconditioned, repaired items are not within scope of the MAS Solicitation.

5. Transportation and Logistics Services (K):

- a. Motor Vehicles (non-Combat) Subcategory (K02): SIN 336350 Remanufactured Automotive Components
 - i. Revise SIN description for SIN 336350 to clarify availability of remanufactured items.
 - ii. Revised SIN Description for 336350: Includes but not limited to: Engines, Transmissions, Differentials & Rear Axle Assemblies, and Electrical Components.

NOTE: The remanufactured automotive components must be identified per 552.238-78 and meet the prescribed definition of "factory rebuilt to original specifications." Refurbished, reconditioned, repaired items are not within scope of the MAS Solicitation.