

## DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE WASHINGTON, DC

MEMORANDUM FOR ALL MAJCOM-FOA-DRU/CC

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FROM: SAF/CIO A6

1800 Air Force Pentagon Washington, DC 20330

SUBJECT: Information Technology Acquisition - Use General Services Administration Blanket Purchase Agreements - ACTION MEMORANDUM

References: (a) SAF/CIO A6 Action Memorandum, 15 September 2014, Mandatory Use of

**NETCENTS-2 CONTRACTS** 

(b) AFMAN 17-1203, 18 May 2018, Information Technology (IT) Asset

Management (ITAM)

- 1. Air Force (AF) Information Technology (IT) resources must maintain an acceptable balance of cost, capability, and security to support our increasingly network-centric military operational environment. In the past, the AF achieved this balance via a suite of mandatory-use, enterprise contract vehicles, NETCENTS-2 (NC-2). As the periods of performance on these contracts expire, the SAF/CIO A6-led Enterprise Information Technology governance forums are identifying follow-on solutions.
- 2. On 11 June 2018, the AF entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) setting forth guiding principles to transform the AF's future IT acquisition strategy. The MOU establishes a strategic partnership that allows GSA to develop multiple-award Blanket Purchase Agreements (BPAs) on behalf of the AF resulting in increased price competition, enhanced supply chain risk management, and streamlined IT acquisition. This approach is aligned with Office of Management and Budget's Office of Federal Procurement Policy guidance to use BPAs, where possible, in order to utilize category management techniques, leverage Federal buying power, and conserve contracting personnel. Implementation of these BPAs is expected to be made available to all federal, state, and local entities consistent with GSA's Cooperative Purchasing Program.
- 3. This memorandum supersedes reference (a). Current mandatory use policy is provided in reference (b) and will be updated as planned procurement vehicles are awarded.
- 4. The following is provided for awareness on the existing suite of NC-2 contracts:
  - Application Services (Small Business Companion): expires for new task orders on 20 June 2019; follow on is Small Business Enterprise Application Solutions; targeting award late FY19.
  - Netcentric Products: expires for new task orders 5 Nov 2019; follow on is aforementioned GSA IT BPA; targeting award late FY19.

Follow-on strategies for these contract vehicles will be determined in early FY20:

- Application Services Full & Open: expires for new task orders 30 March 2022.
- Network Operations & Infrastructure Solutions (Small Business Companion): expires for new task orders 1 April 2022.

- Network Operations & Infrastructure Solutions Full & Open: expires for new task orders 14 May 2022.
- 5. My action officer for this effort is Maj Justin Handley and he can be reached via the SAF-CIO A6 Workflow address (usaf.pentagon.saf-cio-a6.mbx.saf-cio-a6-workflow@mail.mil). If you have any questions or concerns, he can be reached at 703-695-1839.

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