W9124D-18-T-0003 Portable Power Chargers

Questions/Answers

1. What will be the maximum accepted dimension sizes for the portable power chargers (e.g. $4^x 1^x 1^{)}$?

ANSWER: Per the specs. Equal in style to www.technomarketinginc.com model # 354123 so the dimensions are 0.375in (w) 4.063in (h) 2.25in (d).

2. Are there any special requirements regarding the USB types for input and output such as a standard USB for input charging and micro USB for output power)?

ANSWER: Per the specs. USB cable (included) which can recharge the battery backup or be used to charge up devices with a micro-USB input like Android smartphones from Samsung, Motorola, HTC, Nokia, and others.

3. What is the minimum capacity size (e.g. 3000 mAh) and the maximum output charge current (e.g. 1 Amp) required?

ANSWER: Per the specs. 2200 mAh lithium polymer Grade A battery Input: 5V/800mA. Output: 5V/1000mA.

4. Am I authorized to submit two bids for this solicitation?

ANSWER: No

5. Will the lithium polymer cell and/or the power bank need to meet any certifications?

ANSWER: UL certified

6. Does the Micro-USB cable need 2 wires or 4 wires inside? (2 wires are needed for charging, 4 wires if used for data) Any particular length?

ANSWER: Two wire -- Charge only. Cable length @ 13"

7. Will the power bank require an on/off button?

ANSWER: no

8. LED turned on by pressing a button or just when charging/discharging?

ANSWER: Charging/discharging

9. Is a label sufficient for the samples instead of an actual imprint as long as the label represents the same image as an imprint would?

ANSWER: Actual imprint

10. Power bank can be manufactured outside of US, correct? **ANSWER:** Yes. Complete the Buy American Certificate listing the country of origin.

11. Would we be able to use China for manufacturing as long as we identified the country of origin on the Buy American certificate?

ANSWER: You should complete the DFARS 252.225-7000 BUY AMERICAN--BALANCE OF PAYMENTS PROGRAM CERTIFICATE-- BASIC (NOV 2014) and list the country of origin. The Contracting Office will evaluate all quotes per regulatory guidance (see Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Part 25 and Defense Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) Part 225 in particular) and the solicitation including provisions and clauses listed therein.

12. Per the FBO posting, the NAICS code for each items is as follows: W9124D-18-T-0003 NAICS: 335 -- Electrical Equipment, Appliance, and Component Manufacturing/335911 -- Storage Battery Manufacturing NAICS Code. It seems to me that at first one is battery storage for computer equipment.

ANSWER: The most appropriate NAICS codes were selected for each solicitation.

13. What happens if there is no legitimate small business manufacturer for this item that is able to manufacture the numbers being asked?

ANSWER: The Contracting Officer will follow the FAR, DFARS, applicable policy/guidance and seek legal counsel to determine the course of action.

14. If we import from TAA countries like the one I named (Korea, Singapore, or Taiwan), will we be disqualified? Or will you compare our prices with others presumably manufacturing in the US?

ANSWER: The Contracting Office will evaluate all quotes per regulatory guidance (see Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Part 25 and Defense Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) Part 225 in particular) and the solicitation including provisions and clauses listed therein.

15. Can you give me more information regarding the specs on the charger model number etc..

ANSWER: Please refer to Technical Exhibit 1 of the solicitation.

16. Are you seeking only that product? Or is the RFQ open to other products that may have additional value, cost savings or features for the ARMY?

ANSWER: Government is only seeking items as referenced in the solicitation and described in the technical exhibit.

17. For this RFQ, would you be able to accept a fixed price quote for both/either of the products, onesolar powered and one battery powered? Or do you want to accept a price forjust one? We can also provide two separate RFQ responses. Please advise.

ANSWER: Government is only accepting one (1) quote per the solicitation.

18. For the samples to be provided, would a clear-plastic ARMY logo label meet the requirement? Our final product would have the ARMY logo embossed on the device. **ANSWER:** See Technical exhibit 1 which describes the required item and imprinting

19. I'd like to review The Buy American Act as it refers to this bid. All Lithium Ion/Polymer is manufactured in China and I want to see if this precludes sourcing for China or if it means printing and packaging in the US of a Chinese product is legitimate. Can you provide a reference as it applies to this RFP?

ANSWER: Complete all of the applicable provisions/clauses in the solicitation to include 252.225-7000 BUY AMERICAN-- BALANCE OF PAYMENTS PROGRAM CERTIFICATE--BASIC (NOV 2014). You are to identify any foreign made products as required by the provisions/clauses.

20. According to the Buy American Act, our company has the capability to gather components in the USA to assemble, test, imprint, and final package battery chargers in the USA. Will this suffice the Buy American Act if we import battery cell, PCBA, and casing but assemble these units in the US? Please advise.

ANSWER: Complete all of the applicable provisions/clauses in the solicitation to include 252.225-7000 BUY AMERICAN-- BALANCE OF PAYMENTS PROGRAM CERTIFICATE--BASIC (NOV 2014). You are to identify any foreign made products as required by the provisions/clauses.

21. Can you please provide picture/ sample of the logo?

ANSWER: Ma'am I will have to post an amendment to the solicitation.

22. How and where can we complete the Buy American - Balance of Payments Program in order to obtain the certificate?

ANSWER: The certificate is listed in the solicitation at 252.225-7000 BUY AMERICAN--BALANCE OF PAYMENTS PROGRAM CERTIFICATE--BASIC (NOV 2014).

23. In the event that there was a wavier for the buy America would it be posted online?

ANSWER: Refer to regulatory guidance (see Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Part 25 and Defense Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) Part 225 in particular) and the solicitation including provisions and clauses listed therein.