

Maintenance, Repair and Operations (MRO) Supplies & Relates Services Executive Summary

Lead Agency: Region 4 ESC **Solicitation:** 19-20

RFP Issued: October 28, 2019 Pre-Proposal Date: November 12, 2019

Response Due Date: December 9, 2019 Proposals Received: 9

Awarded to:

Contract # R192001

The Board of Directors of Region 4 Education Service Center (ESC) issued RFP 19-20 on October 28, 2019, to establish a national cooperative contract for Maintenance, Repair and Operations (MRO) Supplies & Related Services.

The solicitation included cooperative purchasing language in Section I. Scope of Work:

NATIONAL CONTRACT

Region 4 ESC, as the Principal Procurement Agency, defined in Appendix D, has partnered with OMNIA Partners to make the resultant contract (also known as the "Master Agreement" in materials distributed by OMNIA Partners) from this solicitation available to other public agencies nationally, including state and local governmental entities, public and private primary, secondary and higher education entities, non-profit entities, and agencies for the public benefit ("Public Agencies"), through OMNIA Partners' cooperative purchasing program. The Region 4 is acting as the contracting agency for any other Public Agency that elects to utilize the resulting Master Agreement. Use of the Master Agreement by any Public Agency is preceded by their registration with OMNIA Partners (a "Participating Public Agency"). Appendix D contains additional information about OMNIA Partners and the cooperative purchasing agreement.

Notice of the solicitation was sent to potential offerors, as well as advertised in the following:

- Region 4 ESC website
- OMNIA Partners, Public Sector website
- USA Today, nationwide
- Arizona Business Gazette, AZ
- San Bernardino Sun, CA
- Honolulu Star-Advertiser, HI
- The Advocate New Orleans, LA
- New Jersey Herald, NJ
- Times Union, NY

- Daily Journal of Commerce, OR
- The State, SC
- Houston Community Newspapers, Cy Creek Mirror, TX
- Deseret News, UT
- Richmond Times, VA
- Seattle Daily Journal of Commerce, WA
- Helena Independent Record, MT

On December 9, 2019 proposals were received from the following offerors:

- Facility Solutions Group
- Fastenal Company
- W.W. Grainger, Inc.
- Hi-Line Electric., Inc.
- Kimball Midwest

- Lawson Products
- Lowe's
- Northern Safety & Industrial
- Wesco Distribution, Inc.

The proposals were evaluated by an evaluation committee. Using the evaluation criteria established in the RFP, the committee determined that Fastenal Company demonstrated the ability to provide the products and services outlined in the solicitation while offering competitive pricing to members.

Region 4 ESC executed agreements with a contract effective date of April 1, 2020.

Contract Highlights:

Committed to serving government customers, driving out waste, and presenting opportunities for cost savings though proven value-added solutions, including vending technology, vendor managed inventory programs, and onsite solutions. Committed to building relationships with, and purchasing goods and services from, qualified small and diverse businesses to the maximum extent possible while meeting standards for quality and reliability. Not limited to just Woman-Owned and Minority-Owned Business Enterprises; also support and offer products supplied by SBE, SDB, SVOB, SDVOB, and HUBZone certified businesses.

Contract includes:

- More than 3,100 locations
- Contract pricing on all product categories
- 24-hour emergency service
- Just-in-time ordering and fast fulfillment delivery
- Local service and delivery
- Solutions based vendor managed inventory programs

Term:

Initial three-year agreement from April 1, 2020 through March 31, 2023 with the option to renew for two (2) additional one-year periods through March 31, 2025.

Pricing/Discount:

Pricing structure represents a "ceiling price" (discounts are based on wholesale pricing on the effective date of purchase).

OMNIA Partners, Public Sector Web Landing Page:

https://www.omniapartners.com/publicsector/contract/supplier-contracts/fastenal