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EMERGENCY WATER INFORMATION PAPER

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Scope of the Water Mission: The Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, authorizes the President to provide financial support and other forms of assistance to state and local governments, certain nonprofit organizations, and individuals to support response, recovery, and mitigation efforts following presidentially declared major disasters and emergencies. The National Response Framework (NRF) is a guide to how the Nation conducts all-hazards response. It is built upon scalable, flexible, and adaptable coordinating structures to align key roles and responsibilities across the Nation, linking all levels of government, nongovernmental organizations, and the private sector. One of the assignments to USACE under the NRF to support local, State and Federal response efforts is to provide emergency supplies of bottled water. USACE management of this mission includes planning/scoping, procurement, transportation, delivery and tracking of the supply of water.

Contract for the National Water Mission: The primary purpose of the USACE Emergency Water Advance Contracting Initiative (ACI) contract is to provide bottled water, to include vendor managed storage, transportation, loading and unloading, drayage, additional ground mileage, leased trailers, etc., to sites including possible future Government or vendor warehouse storage in the 48 States and the District of Columbia in the Continental United States (CONUS) and to sites Outside the Continental United States (OCONUS) in the States of Alaska and Hawaii, Puerto Rico, the U. S. Virgin Islands, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, American Samoa, the Federated States of Micronesia, and the Republic of the Marshall Islands. The contract also includes requirements for participation in Partnering efforts and provision of Strategic Planning Services.

Emergency Water Advance Contracting Initiative (ACI) Contract:

A new 5-year contract is being sought and expected to be awarded in September 2013.

Contract Details:

- The Basic 1-year Contract has 4 option years (for a total of 5 years). If all options are exercised the new contract will expire in 2018.
- THIS IS A SUPPLY and SERVICES CONTRACT. The contract includes purchase and delivery of bottled water and associated services to transport, load, unload either purchased or government furnished water, establish a warehouse for bottled water in FEMA Regions IV and/or VI, as required. The contractor transports in CONUS via ground and to OCONUS destinations via ground, air or ship. If the situation dictates, the Government could provide OCONUS transportation. Local purchase of water is an option for OCONUS locations.
- This is also a “requirements” contract. The Government is required to use the ACI contractor for all supplies and services within the scope of the contract for orders of \$25,000 or more. The Government may offer the ACI contractor work outside the contract (larger or smaller amounts). There are a few cases when outside contracts may be used; however, unacceptable contract performance would likely be the sole reason USACE would choose to exercise other contractors.
- The contractor is not obligated to accept Delivery Orders larger than \$10,000,000 for a single order; or a combination in excess of \$20,000,000 in any series of orders within a 3 days period. The contractor has 4 hours to decline large orders. There is no dollar limit, nor annual limit to the contract.

- Delivery Orders may be issued by the National Water Teams in either New England District or Kansas City District. In either case, the issuing district must be funded to issue a delivery order.

Areas of ACI Contract Coverage (CONUS/OCONUS):

CONUS	Puerto Rico	Federated States of Micronesia
Alaska	U.S. Virgin Islands	Republic of Marshall Islands
Hawaii	Northern Mariana Islands	American Samoa
Guam		

USACE Emergency Water Point of Contact (POC):

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USACE National Water Planning & Response Team (PRT) Locations:

CENAD – North Atlantic Division (Lead Division)
 (Alternating Districts) CENAE – New England District CENWK – Kansas City District

Contract Performance Requirements:

Bottled water is normally ordered in multiples of standard truckloads of approximately 18,000 liters per truck (suitable for about 5,000 people/day @ ~ 3+liters/person/day). The Government recognizes that the Contractor will need time to fully mobilize significant water production and transportation assets to establish a steady flow of bottled water to disaster sites. The following CONUS Contractor performance schedule has been established. For CONUS orders in excess of 720,000 liters (40 truckloads) of bottled water per day, if the Delivery Order is issued before 11:59 a.m. delivery amounts required for substantial performance of the contract are as follows:

1. Delivery of 720,000 liters (40 truckloads) by 11:59 p.m. of the day after issuance of the Delivery Order.
2. The next 24 hour period, delivery of an additional 1,800,000 liters (100 truckloads) or, if less, the remaining quantity scheduled for delivery.
3. Each subsequent 24 hour period, delivery of an additional 3,600,000 liters (200 truckloads) daily or, if less, the remaining quantity scheduled for delivery.
4. For subsequent orders placed at least 60 hours prior to the first scheduled delivery, substantial performance will be 3,600,000 liters (200 truckloads) daily until the order is fulfilled.

For Delivery Orders issued after 11:59 a.m. the Contractor will be allowed an additional 24 hours to deliver sufficient quantity of bottled water to meet the requirements of substantial delivery.