

BID OPENING: NOVEMBER 14, 2012

BIDS SHALL BE PUBLICLY OPENED AT 11:00 A.M., PREVAILING WASHINGTON, D.C. TIME.

ANY QUESTIONS BEFORE AWARD CONCERNING THESE SPECIFICATIONS CALL DALTON EVERETT, AFTER AWARD, REFER ALL QUESTIONS TO YOUR CONTRACT ADMINISTRATOR WHOSE NAME APPEARS IN THE UPPER PORTION OF THE PURCHASE ORDER. (202) 512 1239. NO COLLECT CALLS.

FACSIMILE BID SPECIFICATIONS

U.S. Government Printing Office (GPO)
Washington, D.C.

GPO CONTRACT TERMS: Any contract which results from this Invitation for Bid will be subject to GPO Contract Terms (GPO Publication 310.2, effective December 1, 1987 (Rev. 6-01)) and Quality Assurance Through Attributes Program for Printing and Binding (GPO Publication 310.1, effective May 1979 (Rev. 8-02)).

DISPUTES: GPO Publication 310.2, GPO Contract Terms, Contract Clause 5. Disputes, is hereby replaced with the June 2008 clause found at www.gpo.gov/pdfs/vendors/contractdisputes.pdf. This June 2008 clause also cancels and supersedes any other disputes language currently included in existing contractual actions.

PRODUCT: All the requirements of these specifications apply equally to each item unless otherwise indicated.

JACKET 376-363	Travel Mug, Granite Color, with QTMEP Logo
JACKET 376-364	Foldable Sport Bottle Bag, Clear with QTMEP Logo
JACKET 376-365	Pedometer, Translucent, Blue with QTMEP Logo
JACKET 376-366	Floss Container with QTMEP Logo

TITLE: Travel Mug, Foldable Sport Bottle Bag, Pedometer and Floss Container with QTMEP Logo

QUANTITY: See below for various quantities of each item.

FIXED PRICE-INDEFINITE QUANTITY CONTRACT:

The offerer is to quote the maximum quantity of Travel Mug, Granite Color, with QTMEP Logo (\$74,759.00), Foldable Sport Bottle Bag, Clear with QTMEP Logo (\$56,067.00), Pedometer, Translucent, Blue with QTMEP Logo (\$58,871.00) and the Floss Container with QTMEP Logo (\$37,376.00), inclusive of all costs that will be delivered per specification requirements, for a total of \$227,073.00. In addition quotations should be prepared in conformance with the Schedule of Prices. Additionally, the Contractor will be required to produce the suitable quantity of QARCs based on the quantity offered in the bid.

TRIM SIZE:

Jacket 376-363: See vendor web page for details:

<http://www.epromos.com/product/8827741/promotional-dental-floss-col-or-process-laminated-label.html>

Jacket 376-364: See vendor web page for details:

<http://www.4imprint.com/search/collapsible%20bottle/product/113552/Grommet-Foldable-Sport-Bottle-Bag-21-oz.html>

Jacket 376-365: See vendor web page for details:

<http://www.4imprint.com/tag/161/Pedometers/product/7077-T/Pedometer-Translucent.html>

Jacket 376-366: See vendor web page for details:

<http://www.4imprint.com/tag/115/Travel-Mugs/product/7267-B/Roadster-Mug-16-oz.-Black-Lid.html>

GOVERNMENT TO FURNISH:

One (1) CD-ROM containing PDF files for all items/Jackets in PDF format.
One GPO Form 892 (Preaddressed Proof Label)
One GPO Form 905 (Labeling and marking specifications).
One GPO Form 917 (Certificate of Selection).
One GPO Form 2678 (Departmental random copies-blue label)
One Pallet Requirements Sheet

CONTRACTOR TO FURNISH: All materials and operations, other than those listed under "Government to Furnish," necessary to produce the product(s) in accordance with these specifications.

PRIOR TO PRODUCTION SAMPLES: The sample requirement for this contract is not less than 5 printed samples for each jacket/item. Each sample must be constructed as specified using the form, materials, equipment, and methods of production, which will be used in producing the final product. All samples shall be manufactured at the facilities in which the contract production quantities are to be manufactured.

Samples will be inspected and tested and must comply with the specifications in all respects. If machine processing of the final product is indicated in the specification, the samples will be tested and must function satisfactorily on the equipment indicated.

Samples must be submitted prior to commencement of production of the contract quantity. The contractor must fill in the furnished preaddressed revised label (GPO Form 892). The samples plus the furnished government material must be submitted directly to: Paul Fitzpatrick, BE&S, TRICARE Management Activity, 7700 Arlington Blvd, Suite 5101, Falls Church, VA 22042-5101 (703-681-7936) pauLfitzpatrick@tma.osd.mil. in sufficient time, using the furnished label, to allow Government testing of the samples and production and shipment in accordance with the shipping schedule.

Contractor must call Contract Compliance Section in the U.S. Government Printing Office (202) 512-0520 immediately upon sending/delivering samples and immediately upon notification that the samples are available for pickup at the department.

The Government will approve, conditionally approve or disapprove the samples within 2 workdays of the receipt thereof. Approval or conditional approval shall not relieve the contractor from complying with the specifications and all other terms and conditions of the contract. A conditional approval shall state any further action required by the contractor. A notice of disapproval shall state the reasons therefore.

If the samples are disapproved by the Government, the Government, at its option, may require the contractor to submit additional samples for inspection and test, in the time and under the terms and conditions specified in the notice of rejection. Such additional samples shall be furnished and necessary changes made at no additional cost to the Government and with no extension in the shipping schedule. The Government will require the time specified above to inspect and test any additional samples required.

In the event the samples are disapproved by the Government, the contractor shall be deemed to have failed to make delivery within the meaning of the default clause in which event this contract shall be subject to termination for default, provided however, that the failure of the Government to terminate the contract for default in such event shall not relieve the contractor of the responsibility to deliver the contract quantities in accordance with the shipping schedule.

In the event the Government fails to approve, conditionally approve or disapprove the samples within the time specified, the Contracting Officer shall automatically extend the shipping schedule in accordance with article 12 "Notice of Compliance with Schedules" of contract clauses in GPO Contract Terms [Pub. No. 310.2 effective December 1, 1987 (Rev. 6-01)].

Manufacture of the final product prior to approval of the samples submitted is at the contractor's risk. Samples will not be returned to the contractor. The cost of all samples shall be included in the contract price for the production quantity.

PROOFS:

One (1) set of digital color content proofs for the QTMEP Logo/image. At contractor's option, a film-based composite blueline may be submitted. Proofs must be created using the same Raster Image Processor (RIP) that will be used to produce the product. Proofs shall be collated with all elements in proper position (not pasted up), imaged face and back, trimmed and folded to the finished size of the product.

****AND****

One (1) set of digital one-piece composite laminated color proof of the QTMEP Logo/image on the actual production stock (Kodak Approval, Screen TrueRite, Polaroid PolaProof, Latran Prediction, CreoSpectrum, or Fuji Final Proof) with a minimum resolution of 2400 x 2400 dpi for covers 1 & 4 and pages numbered 3 and 11. At contractor's option, a film-based composite laminated color proof on the actual production stock may be submitted provided direct to plate is used to produce the final product. Proofs must show dot structure and be in press configuration.

****OR****

At contractor's option one (1) set of inkjet proofs of the QTMEP Logo/image that are G7 profiled and use pigment-based inks. A proofing RIP that provides option for high quality color matching such as Device Links Technology and/or ICC Profiles Technology, and meet or exceed industry tolerance to ISO 12647-2 standard for Graphic Technology (as of 3/19/09 and future amendments) must be utilized. Output must be a minimum of 720 x 720 dpi on a GRACoL or SWOP certified proofing media. Proofs must contain one of the following color control strips to be evaluated for accuracy: IDEAlliance ISO 12647-7 Wedge or P2P25 Target. Direct to plate must be used to produce the final product with a minimum of 2400 x 2400 dpi.

****PLUS****

Proofs must contain color control bars for each color of ink on the sheet. Control bars must be placed parallel to the press's ink rollers. The control bars (such as Brunner, GATF, GRETAG, or RIT) must show areas consisting of minimum 1/8 x 1/8 solid color patches; tint patches of 25, 50 and 75%; dot gain scale; and gray balance patches for process color (if applicable). These areas must be repeated consecutively across the sheet. The make and model number of the proofing system utilized shall be furnished with the proofs. These proofs must contain all elements and indicate margins. Proofs will be used for color match on press.

Send proofs together with the furnished media (copy, transparencies, electronic files) to Paul Fitzpatrick, BE&S, TRICARE Management Activity, 7700 Arlington Blvd, Suite 5101, Falls Church, VA 22042-5101 (703-681-7936) paulfitzpatrick@tma.osd.mil. Contractor must fill in the furnished preaddressed label (GPO Form 892) and use on all proof packages. Contractor must call GPO Contract compliance Section at (202) 512-0520 immediately upon sending/delivering proofs and immediately upon notification that the proofs are available for pickup at the department. Proofs will be withheld not more than four (2) workdays from receipt in GPO until they are made available for pickup by the contractor. **CONTRACTOR MUST NOT PRINT PRIOR TO RECEIVING AN "OK TO PRINT"**. All samples shall be manufactured at the facilities in which the contract production quantities are to be manufactured.

The contractor must not print prior to receipt of an "OK to print."

STOCK/PAPER: N/A

PRINTING: Prints in a match of Pantone 485 (Red) and Black with type and line matter and some reversing (see attachment #1). Contractor to match the final OK'd preproduction samples.

MARGINS: Follow electronic media.

BINDING: N/A

PACKING: Pack suitably in shipping containers. If pallets are needed, see special palletizing instruction sheet furnished with GFM.

LABELING AND MARKING (package and/or container label): Reproduce shipping container labels as necessary from furnished labels/repros, fill in appropriate blanks and attach to shipping containers. For shipments involving multiple containers to one address, must be clearly marked to indicate the total number of cartons in the shipping/mailling. For example: 1 of 3; 2 of 3; 3 of 3. LABEL MUST include Title, Quantity, Jacket and Requisition Number.

QUALITY ASSURANCE LEVELS AND STANDARDS: The following levels and standards shall apply to these specifications:

Product Quality Levels:

- (a) Printing Attributes -- Level II.
- (b) Finishing Attributes -- Level II.

Inspection Levels (from ANSI/ASQC Z1.4):

- (a) Non-destructive Tests -- General Inspection Level I.
- (b) Destructive Tests -- Special Inspection Level S-2.

Specified Standards: The specified standards for the attributes requiring them shall be:

Attribute	Specified Standard
P-7. Type Quality and Uniformity	O.K. Preproduction samples
P-9. Solid and Screen Tint Color Match	O.K. Preproduction samples

DEPARTMENTAL RANDOM COPIES (BLUE LABEL): All orders must be divided into equal sublots in accordance with the chart below. A random copy must be selected from each subplot. Do not choose copies from the same general area in each subplot. The contractor will be required to execute a statement furnished by GPO certifying that copies were selected as directed. The random copies constitute a part of the total quantity ordered, and no additional charge will be allowed.

<u>Quantity Ordered</u>	<u>Number of Sublots</u>
3,201 - 10,000	80
10,001 - 35,000	125
35,001 and over	200

These randomly selected copies must be packed separately and identified by a special Government-furnished blue label, affixed to each affected container. The container and its contents shall be recorded separately on all shipping documents.

DISTRIBUTION: Ship f.o.b. destination.

Contractor must notify the ordering agency on the same day that the product ships via e-mail sent to walter.byerley.ctr@tma.osd.mil and Cecil.Thomas@tma.osd.mil. The subject line of this message shall be "Distribution Notice for Jacket 376-363S, Req. 2-262602L". The notice must provide all applicable tracking numbers, shipping method, and Title. Contractor must be able to provide copies of all delivery, mailing, and shipping receipts upon agency request.

Deliver ALL quantities (includes 200 Departmental Random Blue Label Copies) for Jackets 376-363/364/365/366 to: Intelligencer Mailing and Fulfillment, Fulfillment Coordinator, 1842 Colonial Village Lane, Lancaster, PA 17601.

Deliver 5 Sample copies of each jacket to: DLA, Document Services, Attn: Paul Dorsette (703-325-9932), 200 Stovall Street, Hoffman II- 9th Floor- Room 9N57, Alexandria, VA 22332.

Deliver two (2) sample copies of each jacket via traceable means to: United States Government Printing Office, 732 North Capitol Street, NW, Agency Publishing Services, AST-2, Room # C-817, Washington, DC 20401, Attn: Dalton Everett (202) 512-1239. Please indicate Jacket Number on label. **INSIDE DELIVERY REQUIRED.**

All expenses incidental to returning materials, submitting proofs, and furnishing sample copies must be borne by the contractor.

SCHEDULE: Furnished material will be available for pick up at the U.S. Government Printing Office, 27 G St., NW, Washington, D.C. 20401, NLT November 19, 2012.

Submit preproduction samples as soon as the contractor deems necessary in order to comply with the shipping schedule. Proofs will be withheld 3 workdays from receipt in the GPO until they are made available for pickup by the contractor.

The first Partial delivery **MUST** be NLT December 17, 2012. Final deliveries must be at their destination on or before December 21, 2012. Deliveries may be sent early, as they are completed.

The contractor must notify the GPO of the date and time the press sheet inspection can be performed. In order for proper arrangements to be made, notification must be given at least 2 workday(s) prior to the inspection. Notify the U.S. Government Printing Office, Contract Management Division, Quality Control Section (PPSQ), Washington, DC 20401, or telephone area code (202) 512-1162. Telephone calls will only be accepted between the hours of 8:00 am and 2:00 pm, prevailing Eastern Time. Note: See contract clauses, paragraph 14(e)(1), Inspections and Tests of GPO Contract Terms (GPO Publication 310.2, effective December 1, 1987 (Rev. 6-01)). When supplies are not ready at the time specified by the contractor for inspection, the Contracting Officer may charge to the contractor the additional cost of the inspection.

Unscheduled material such as shipping documents, receipts or instructions, delivery lists, labels, etc., will be furnished with the order or shortly thereafter. In the event such information is not received in due time, the contractor will not be relieved of any responsibility in meeting the shipping schedule because of failure to request such information.

Toll Free WATS lines to the GPO are available to successful bidders to report information regarding compliance with schedule requirements under "SCHEDULE". The toll free number is 1-800-424-9470 or 9471 and for calls originating in the Washington, D.C. area, (202) 512-0516 or 0517. Personnel answering these calls will be unable to respond to questions of a technical nature. These calls cannot be transferred to other telephones in GPO.

SUBMIT BIDS TO: U.S. Government Printing Office, Bid Section (PPSB), Room C-161, 36 H St. NW, Washington, DC 20404.

FACSIMILE BIDS are permitted. Submit TWO copies of each facsimile bid to FAX No. 202-512-1782, one bid per facsimile. Refer to Solicitation Provisions in GPO Contract Terms (GPO Publication 310.2), Page 1, Paragraph 6.

OFFERS: Offers must include the cost of all materials and operations for the total quantity ordered in accordance with these specifications for each Jacket. In addition, a price must be submitted for each additional 100 of each item. The price for additional quantities must be based on a continuing run, exclusive of all basic or preliminary charges and will not be a factor for determination of award.

SCHEDULE OF PRICES:

	<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>COST</u>
Jacket 376-363 (Travel Mugs).	_____	\$74,759
Additional Rate for:	1000 Travel Mugs	\$ _____
Jacket 376-364 (Sport Bottle Bags).	_____	\$56,067
Additional Rate for:	1000 Sport Bottle Bags	\$ _____
Jacket 376-365 (Translucent Pedometers).	_____	\$58,871
Additional Rate for:	1000 Pedometers	\$ _____
Jacket 376-366 (Floss Containers).	_____	\$37067.00
Additional Rate for:	1000 Floss Containers	\$ _____

Fill out and submit two copies of the Schedule of Prices along with GPO Form 910.

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