



June 12, 2017

This is Amendment No. 2. The specifications in our invitation for bids on Program 669-S, scheduled for opening at June 13, 2017 at 11:00am, are amended as follows:

1. On page 8, under item "PRINTING" Delete: Contractor must use non-wax ink that is laser safe. GPO imprint must not print on the finished product. Contractor must use Thermochromic Inks which will disappear when photocopied or when any kind of heat is applied.
At Contractor option, change colors when heat is added such as holding between thumb and forefinger for a moment is only part of certificate is printing in Thermochromic inks
2. On page 8, under item "PRINTING" ADD: Contractor must use non-wax ink that is laser safe. GPO imprint must not print on the finished product. Contractor must use Thermochromic Inks which will either disappear or change color when photocopied or when any kind of heat is applied. This application should be used in the upper left hand corner of the certificate. The area should be a 1" USDA Logo as close to the corner as possible and is the only part of certificate that is printing in Thermochromic ink.
Contractor shall use paper and offset ink combination that allows for laser printer personalization (or post printing on a laser printer). Finished printed product shall be toner receptive and withstand the temperatures that may be up to 400 degrees Fahrenheit. There shall be no smearing, scratching or rubbing off of the toner ink after laser printing.
3. On Page 14, Delete:

My production facilities are located within the assumed area of production . ___yes ___no

NOTICE: Bidders OUTSIDE the assumed production area specified on page one of these specifications should complete the following information.

1. Proposed carrier(s) for pickup of Government Furnished Material _____
 - a. Number of hours from acceptance of print order to pickup of Government Furnished Material _____
 - b. Number of hours from pickup of Government Furnished Material to delivery at contractor's plant . _____
2. Proposed carrier(s) for delivery of completed product .. _____
 - a. Number of hours from notification to carrier to pickup of completed product _____
 - b. Number of hours from pickup of completed product to delivery at destination _____

4 Due to technical issue the solicitation was unable to be viewed online for more than 24hrs. Due to this, the opening date for the solicitation has been extended to Thursday, June 15, 2017 at 11:am.

All other specifications remain the same.

If amendment is not acknowledged on bid, direct acknowledgement to:

U.S. Government Publishing Office
Bid Section, Room C848, Stop CSPS
732 North Capitol Street NW
Washington, DC 20401-0001



Amended bid or acknowledgement must be submitted using the method(s) specified in the solicitation for bid submission. Telephone or e-mail submission is not acceptable.

BIDDER MUST ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF THIS AMENDMENT PRIOR TO BID OPENING.

Failure to acknowledge receipt of amendment, by amendment number, prior to bid-opening time, may be reason for bid being declared nonresponsive.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James A. McWilliams". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "J" and "M".

JAMES A. MCWILLIAMS
Contracting Officer



June 6, 2017

This is Amendment No. 1. The specifications in our invitation for bids on Program 669-S, scheduled for opening at June 13, 2017 at 11:00am, are amended as follows:

1. On page 8, under item "Stock/Paper" Add line Paper stock to be 24# White.
2. On Page 10, Delete section titled STORAGE OF FURNISHED PAPER STOCK.

All other specifications remain the same.

If amendment is not acknowledged on bid, direct acknowledgement to:


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Bid Section, Room C848, Stop CSPA
732 North Capitol Street NW
Washington, DC 20401-0001

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BIDDER MUST ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF THIS AMENDMENT PRIOR TO BID OPENING.

Failure to acknowledge receipt of amendment, by amendment number, prior to bid-opening time, may be reason for bid being declared nonresponsive.

Sincerely,


BRIAN T. COLEMAN
Contracting Officer

U.S. GOVERNMENT PUBLISHING OFFICE

Washington, DC

GENERAL TERMS, CONDITIONS, AND SPECIFICATIONS

For the Procurement of

Export Certificates with Security Features

as requisitioned from the U.S. Government Publishing Office (GPO) by the

U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA)

Single Award

TERM OF CONTRACT: The term of this contract is for the period beginning Date of Award and ending May 31, 2018, plus up to four (4) optional 12-month extension period(s) that may be added in accordance with the "OPTION TO EXTEND THE TERM OF THE CONTRACT" clause in SECTION 1 of this contract.

BID OPENING: Bids shall be publicly opened at 11:00 a.m., prevailing Washington, DC time, on June 13, 2017

BID SUBMISSION: Submit bid in pre-addressed envelope furnished with solicitation or send to: U.S. Government Publishing Office, Bid Section, Room C-848, Stop: CSPS, 732 North Capitol Street, NW, Washington, DC 20401. Facsimile bids in response to this solicitation are permitted. Facsimile bids may be submitted directly to the GPO Bid Section, Fax No. (202) 512-1782. The program number and bid opening date must be specified with the bid. Refer to Facsimile Bids in Solicitation Provisions of GPO Contract Terms, GPO Publication 310.2, as revised June 2001. Hand delivered bids are to be taken to: GPO Bookstore, 710 North Capitol Street, NW, Washington, DC, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., prevailing Washington, DC time, Monday through Friday. Contractor is to follow the instructions in the bid submission/opening area. If further instruction or assistance is required, call (202) 512-0526.

THIS IS A NEW PROGRAM. THERE IS NO ABSTRACT AVAILABLE.

For information of a technical nature, contact Jim Ballou at jballou@gpo.gov or (202) 512-0310.

SECTION 1. - GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

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

GPO Contract Terms (GPO Publication 310.2) – <http://www.gpo.gov/pdfs/vendors/sfas/terms.pdf>.

GPO QATAP (GPO Publication 310.1) – <http://www.gpo.gov/pdfs/vendors/sfas/qatap.pdf>.

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.

GPO IMPRINT REQUIREMENT: The GPO imprint requirement, GPO Contract Terms, Supplemental Specifications, No. 9, is waived.

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

Product Quality Levels:

- (a) Printing (page related) Attributes – Level III.
- (b) Finishing (item related) Attributes – Level III.

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:

<u>Attribute</u>	<u>Specified Standard</u>
P-7. Type Quality and Uniformity	O.K. Prior to production Samples
P-9. Screen Tint and Color Match	Pantone Matching System

OPTION TO EXTEND THE TERM OF THE CONTRACT: The Government has the option to extend the term of this contract for a period of 12 months by written notice to the contractor not later than 30 days before the contract expires. If the Government exercises this option, the extended contract shall be considered to include this clause, except, the total duration of the contract may not exceed five (5) years as a result of, and including, any extension(s) added under this clause. Further extension may be negotiated under the “EXTENSION OF CONTRACT TERM” clause. See also “ECONOMIC PRICE ADJUSTMENT” for authorized pricing adjustment(s).

EXTENSION OF CONTRACT TERM: At the request of the Government, the term of any contract resulting from this solicitation may be extended for such period of time as may be mutually agreeable to the GPO and the contractor.

ECONOMIC PRICE ADJUSTMENT: The pricing under this contract shall be adjusted in accordance with this clause, provided that in no event will any pricing adjustment be made that would exceed the maximum permissible under any law in effect at the time of the adjustment. There will be no adjustment for orders placed during the first period specified below. Pricing will thereafter be eligible for adjustment during the second and any succeeding performance period(s). For each performance period after the first, a percentage figure will be calculated as described below and that figure will be the economic price adjustment for that entire next period. Pricing adjustments under this clause are not applicable to reimbursable postage or transportation costs, or to paper, if paper prices are subject to adjustment by separate clause elsewhere in this contract.

For the purpose of this clause, performance under this contract will be divided into successive periods. The first period will extend from Date of Award to May 31, 2018, and the second and any succeeding period(s) will extend for 12 months from the end of the last preceding period, except that the length of the final period may vary. The first day of the second and any succeeding period(s) will be the effective date of the economic price adjustment for that period.

Pricing adjustments in accordance with this clause will be based on changes in the seasonally adjusted "Consumer Price Index For All Urban Consumers - Commodities Less Food" (Index) published monthly in the CPI Detailed Report by the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

The economic price adjustment will be the percentage difference between Index averages as specified in this paragraph. An index called the variable index will be calculated by averaging the monthly Indexes from the 12-month interval ending three (3) months prior to the beginning of the period being considered for adjustment. This average is then compared to the average of the monthly Indexes for the 12-month interval ending February 28, 2017, called the base index. The percentage change (plus or minus) of the variable index from the base index will be the economic price adjustment for the period being considered for adjustment.

The Government will notify the contractor by contract modification specifying the percentage increase or decrease to be applied to invoices for orders placed during the period indicated. The contractor shall apply the percentage increase or decrease against the total price of the invoice less reimbursable postage or transportation costs and separately adjusted paper prices. Payment discounts shall be applied after the invoice price is adjusted.

PREAWARD SURVEY: In order to determine the responsibility of the prime contractor or any subcontractor, the Government reserves the right to conduct an on-site preaward survey at the contractor's/subcontractor's facility or to require other evidence of technical, production, managerial, financial, and similar abilities to perform, prior to the award of a contract.

PREAWARD TEST: The contractor being considered for award may be required to demonstrate their ability to produce the items required in these specifications at the requisite quality level by completing a preaward test. The Government reserves the right to waive the preaward test if there is other evidence that, in the opinion of the Contracting Officer, indicates that the contractor being considered for award has the capability to successfully produce the items required.

For the preaward test, the prospective contractor must set type for the form number and numbering series and create the pantograph for background of entire certificate in accordance with "COMPOSITION" as specified herein.

The prospective contractor must print 250 samples in accordance with the requirements specified under "PRINTING."

All samples must be printed on the paper specified under "STOCK/PAPER."

These samples will be inspected and tested for compliance with the specifications as to printing quality, kind, and quality of materials. Samples will be tested on an HPLaserjet.

The contractor must submit the preaward test samples to: U.S. Government Publishing Office, Agency Publishing Services, DC Team 1, Attn: Contracting Officer, Stop: CSAP, Room C-836, 732 North Capitol Street, NW, Washington, DC, 20401.

Contractor must submit the preaward test samples within seven (7) workdays of notification of the preaward test.

If the samples are disapproved by the Government, the Government, at its option, may require the contractor to produce 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 cost to the Government.

In the event the revised test samples are disapproved by the Government, the contractor shall be deemed to have failed to comply with the applicable requirements of these specifications and may be reason for a determination of non-responsibility.

All operations necessary in the performance of this test shall be performed at the facilities and on the equipment in which the contract production will be performed.

No charges will be allowed for costs incurred in the performance of this preaward test.

POSTAWARD CONFERENCE: Unless waived by the Contracting Officer, the total requirements of the job as indicated in these specifications will be reviewed by Government representatives with the contractor's representatives at the U.S. Government Publishing Office, Washington, DC, immediately after award. At the option of the Government, the postaward conference may be held via teleconference.

ASSIGNMENT OF JACKETS, PURCHASE AND PRINT ORDERS: A GPO jacket number will be assigned and a purchase order issued to the contractor to cover work performed. The purchase order will be supplemented by an individual print order for each job placed with the contractor. The print order, when issued, will indicate the quantity to be produced and any other information pertinent to the particular order.

ORDERING: Items to be furnished under the contract shall be ordered by the issuance of print orders by the Government. Orders may be issued under the contract from Date of Award through March 31, 2018, plus for such additional period(s) as the contract is extended. All print orders issued hereunder are subject to the terms and conditions of the contract. The contract shall control in the event of conflict with any print order. A print order shall be "issued" upon notification by the Government for purposes of the contract when it is electronically transmitted or otherwise physically furnished to the contractor in conformance with the schedule.

REQUIREMENTS: This is a requirements contract for the items and for the period specified herein. Shipment/delivery of items or performance of work shall be made only as authorized by orders issued in accordance with the clause entitled "ORDERING." The quantities of items specified herein are estimates only, and are not purchased hereby. Except as may be otherwise provided in this contract, if the Government's requirements for the items set forth herein do not result in orders in the amounts or quantities described as "estimated," it shall not constitute the basis for an equitable price adjustment under this contract.

Except as otherwise provided in this contract, the Government shall order from the contractor all the items set forth which are required to be purchased by the Government activity identified on page 1.

The Government shall not be required to purchase from the contractor, requirements in excess of the limit on total orders under this contract, if any.

Orders issued during the effective period of this contract and not completed within that time shall be completed by the contractor within the time specified in the order, and the rights and obligations of the contractor and the Government respecting those orders shall be governed by the terms of this contract to the same extent as if completed during the effective period of this contract.

If shipment/delivery of any quantity of an item covered by the contract is required by reason of urgency prior to the earliest date that shipment/delivery may be specified under this contract, and if the contractor will not accept an order providing for the accelerated shipment/delivery, the Government may procure this requirement from another source.

The Government may issue orders which provide for shipment/delivery to or performance at multiple destinations.

Subject to any limitations elsewhere in this contract, the contractor shall furnish to the Government all items set forth herein which are called for by print orders issued in accordance with the "ORDERING" clause of this contract.

PAYMENT: Submit all invoices, via fax, utilizing the GPO barcode coversheet program application. Instructions for the GPO barcode coversheet program application can be found at the following web address: <http://winapps.access.gpo.gov/fms/vouchers/barcode/instructions.html>. Invoices may also be mailed to: U.S. Government Publishing Office, Office of Financial Management, Attn: Comptroller, Stop: FMCE, Washington, DC 20401.

Contractor's billing invoice must be itemized in accordance with the line items in the "SCHEDULE OF PRICES."

SECTION 2. - SPECIFICATIONS

SCOPE: These specifications cover the production of certificates requiring such operations as composition, printing in multiple inks, binding, packing, and distribution.

TITLE: Export Certificates with Security Features.

FREQUENCY OF ORDERS: Approximately 4 orders per year.

QUANTITY: Approximately 125,000 to 187,500 copies per order.

NUMBER OF PAGES: Face only.

TRIM SIZE: 8-1/2 x 11"; 8-1/2 x 14".

NOTE: Separate print orders will be issued for each trim size.

GOVERNMENT TO FURNISH:

Print order to be furnished via email.

One reproduction proof, Form 905 (R. 6/03), with labeling and marking specifications.

A supply of blue labels and selection certificates for shipping Departmental Random copies.

Identification markings such as register marks, commercial identification marks of any kind, etc., must not print on finished product.

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.

COMPOSITION:

Contractor to set type for form number in lower left corner of certificate, numbering series in lower right corner of certificate, and create the pantograph for background of entire certificate.

Form numbers: Arial or Gothic, 10 pt. for "ECP-11" or "ECP-14," as applicable to trim size.

Numbering Series: Sequential numbering is "0000-0000", located 3/8" from foot of certificate. Sequential numbering will start from the right to the left beginning with "1" in the first series and "0" in the second series (i.e., 0000-0001). The first series will increment by one, and the second series will increment when the first series get to the "9999" (i.e., 0000-9999). Once incremented, the first set of numbers will start over at "1" (i.e., 0001-0001). Process will repeat. (Numbering series Must be done in Bleed Through crash numbering - red font)

Pantograph: Full background copy band pantograph consisting of "Void Not Official Copy" on a horizontal angle that appears when attempting to copy.

NOTE: Contractor to create an artificial eagle watermark "centered" and "right-reading" on the certificate. The Eagle Watermark will mimic that of the JCP G45 watermark. (A sample will be provided).

PRIOR TO PRODUCTION SAMPLES (First Order Only): Prior to the commencement of production of the contract production quantity, the contractor shall submit not less than 250 samples. The container and accompanying

documentation shall be marked "PREPRODUCTION SAMPLES" and shall include the GPO Purchase Order, Jacket, Program, and Print Order Numbers.

All sample items shall be printed and bound, as specified herein, and must be of the size, kind, and quality that the contractor will furnish. Samples will be inspected and tested for conformance of materials and must comply with the specifications as to construction, kind, and quality of materials. All samples must be printed on the paper required, as specified herein.

Contractor must submit samples to: USDA/FSISGWCC, Attn: DeShanta Sullivan, 5601 Sunnyside Avenue, Beltsville, MD 2075. (Telephone: (301) 504-4226)

Contractor must submit samples within five (5) workdays of receipt of the print order.

The Government will approve, conditionally approve, or disapprove the samples within 10 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. The Government will require the time specified above to inspect and test any additional samples required.

In the event that 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 (GPO Publication 310.2, effective December 1, 1987 (Rev. 6-01)).

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

All samples shall be manufactured at the facilities and on the equipment in which the contract production quantities are to be manufactured.

STOCK/PAPER: The specifications of all paper furnished must be in accordance with those listed herein or listed for the corresponding JCP Code numbers in the “Government Paper Specification Standards No. 12” dated March 2011.

Government Paper Specification Standards No. 12 – http://www.gpo.gov/pdfs/customers/sfas/vol12/vol_12.pdf.

Security Paper that will allow for bleed through of crash numbering

PRINTING: Print face only in black ink, red ink, and one Pantone color. Printing consists of text (form number) printing in black ink, crash numbering in red ink, and pantograph in one Pantone color.

The Pantone color is at contractor’s option, but must be suitable for the pantograph in a 12% screen. The Pantone color **MUST NOT** interfere with blue and black ink signatures.

Contractor must use non-wax ink that is laser safe. GPO imprint must not print on the finished product. Contractor must use Thermochromic inks which will disappear when photocopied or when any kind of heat is applied.

At Contractors option, Change colors when heat is added such as holding between thumb and forefinger for a moment is only part of certificate is printing in Thermochromic inks

Certificate must be chemically treated so that if pencil eraser is used on any portion/part of certificate it becomes visible

NOTE: Contractor must print certificates with an artificial eagle watermark as “right-reading. And centered” The Watermark will mimic that of the JCP G45 (Sample will be provided)

MARGINS: Margins will be as indicated on the print order. Certificates bleed on all four sides.

BINDING: Trim four sides.

PACKING:

Shrink-film wrap in units of 50 certificates.

Pack suitable in shipping containers not to exceed 45 pounds when fully packed.

Pallets required.

LABELING AND MARKING:

Reproduce shipping container label from furnished repro, fill in appropriate blanks, and attach to shipping containers.

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>
500 - 3,200	50
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 and sent to: USDA/FSIS/GWCC, Attn: DeShanta Sullivan, 5601 Sunnyside Avenue, Beltsville, MD 2075.

A copy of the print order/specification and a signed Government-furnished certificate of selection must be included.

A copy of the Government-furnished certificate must accompany the invoice sent to U.S. Government Publishing Office, Financial Management Service, for payment. Failure to furnish the certificate may result in delay in processing the invoice.

QUALITY ASSURANCE RANDOM COPIES: In addition to the Departmental Random Copies (Blue Label), the contractor may be required to submit quality assurance random copies to test for compliance against the specifications. The print order will indicate the number required, if any. When ordered, the contractor must divide the entire order into equal sublots and select a copy from a different general area of each subplot. The contractor will be required to execute a statement furnished by GPO certifying that copies were selected as directed. Copies will be paid for at the running rate offered in the contractor's bid and their cost will not be a consideration for award.

Business Reply Mail labels will be furnished for mailing the quality assurance random copies. The copies are to be mailed at the same time as the first scheduled shipment. A copy of the print order must be included.

A U.S. Postal Service approved Certificate of Mailing, identified by GPO program, jacket, and print order numbers must be furnished with billing as evidence of mailing.

DISTRIBUTION:

- Deliver f.o.b. destination approximately 2,000 copies to: USDA/FSIS/GWCC, Attn: DeShanta Sullivan, 5601 Sunnyside Avenue, Beltsville, MD 20705. (Telephone: (301) 504-4226)
- Deliver f.o.b. destination the balance to: USDA/FSIS/Material Management Center, Attn: Kevin Kemper, 6351 Ammendale Road, Beltsville, MD 20705. (Telephone: (301) 394-4000)

Upon completion of each order, contractor must notify the ordering agency (on the same day the order delivers) via email to the address indicated on the print order. The subject line of the email shall be "Distribution Notice for Program 669-S, Print Order XXXXX, Jacket Number XXX-XXX." The notice must provide all applicable tracking numbers, delivery methods, and title of product. Contractor must be able to provide copies of all delivery receipts upon agency request.

Upon completion of the contract, all unused paper stock must be returned to the U.S. Government Publishing Office.

All expenses incidental to submitting prior to production samples and furnishing sample copies must be borne by the contractor.

SCHEDULE: Adherence to this schedule must be maintained. Contractor must not start production of any job prior to receipt of the individual print order (GPO Form 2511).

Print order will be furnished via email.

No definite schedule for pickup of material can be predetermined.

The following schedule begins the workday after receipt of the print order; the workday after receipt will be the first workday of the schedule.

First Order Only:

- Contractor to submit prior to production samples within five (5) workdays of receipt of the print order.
- The Government will approve, conditionally approve, or disapprove the samples within 10 workdays of the receipt thereof.
- Contractor to complete production and distribution within ten (10) workdays of receipt of approval on prior to production samples.

Balance of Orders:

Contractor must complete production and distribution within ten (10) workdays of receipt of the print order.

The ship/deliver date indicated on the print order is the date products ordered for delivery f.o.b. destination must be delivered to the destination(s) specified.

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.

For compliance reporting purposes, the contractor must notify the U.S. Government Publishing Office of the date of shipment or delivery, as applicable. Upon completion of each order, contractor must contact the Shared Support Services Compliance Section via email at compliance@gpo.gov; via telephone at (202) 512-0520; or via facsimile at (202) 512-1364. Personnel receiving email, call, or facsimile will be unable to respond to questions of a technical nature or to transfer any inquiries.

STORAGE OF FURNISHED PAPER STOCK: The contractor must properly store all furnished paper stock at no cost to the Government. The contractor will be responsible for reimbursing the Government for any stock that is damaged while in their possession.

The contractor must return any unused paper stock to the U.S. Government Publishing Office upon completion of the contract.

SECTION 3. - DETERMINATION OF AWARD

The Government will determine the lowest bid by applying the prices offered in the "SCHEDULE OF PRICES" to the following units of production which are the estimated requirements to produce one (1) year's production under this contract. These units do not constitute, nor are they to be construed as, a guarantee of the volume of work which may be ordered for a like period of time.

The following item designations correspond to those listed in the "SCHEDULE OF PRICES."

	(1)	(2)
I. (a)	3	450
(b)	1	150

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SECTION 4. - SCHEDULE OF PRICES

Bids offered are f.o.b. destination.

Prices must include the cost of all required materials and operations for each item listed in accordance with these specifications.

Bidder must make an entry in each of the spaces provided. Bids submitted with any obliteration, revision, or alteration of the order and manner of submitting bids may be declared non-responsive.

An entry of NC (No Charge) shall be entered if bidder intends to furnish individual items at no charge to the Government.

Bids submitted with NB (No Bid) or blank spaces for an item will be declared non-responsive.

The Contracting Officer reserves the right to reject any offer that contains prices for individual items of production (whether or not such items are included in the DETERMINATION OF AWARD) that are inconsistent or unrealistic in regard to other prices in the same offer or to GPO prices for the same operation if such action would be in the best interest of the Government.

All invoices submitted to the GPO shall be based on the most economical method of production.

Fractional parts of 1,000 will be prorated at the per-1,000 rate.

No charge will be allowed for paper furnished by the Government.

Contractor’s billing invoice must be itemized in accordance with the line items in the “SCHEDULE OF PRICES.”

I. PRINTING, BINDING, PACKING, AND DISTRIBUTION: Prices offered shall include the cost of all required materials and operations necessary (including prior to production samples) for the complete printing, binding, packing, and distribution of the product listed in accordance with these specifications.

	<u>Makeready and/or Setup</u> (1)	<u>Running Per 1,000 Copies</u> (2)
(a) <i>Certificates (8-1/2 x 11”)</i> – Printing in black, red, and one Pantone color, including binding..... per certificate.....	\$ _____	\$ _____
(b) <i>Certificates (8-1/2 x 14”)</i> – Printing in black, red, and one Pantone color, including binding..... per certificate.....	\$ _____	\$ _____

(Initials)

My production facilities are located within the assumed area of production yes _____ no _____

NOTICE: Bidders OUTSIDE the assumed production area specified on page one of these specifications should complete the following information.

1. Proposed carrier(s) for pickup of Government Furnished Material _____
 - a. Number of hours from acceptance of print order to pickup of Government Furnished Material..... _____
 - b. Number of hours from pickup of Government Furnished Material to delivery at contractor’s plant..... _____
2. Proposed carrier(s) for delivery of completed product .. _____
 - a. Number of hours from notification to carrier to pickup of completed product _____
 - b. Number of hours from pickup of completed product to delivery at destination _____

INSTRUCTIONS FOR BID SUBMISSION: Fill out “SECTION 4. – SCHEDULE OF PRICES,” initialing or signing each page in the space(s) provided. Submit two copies (original and one exact duplicate) of the “SCHEDULE OF PRICES” with two copies of the GPO Form 910 “BID” form. Do not enter bid prices on GPO Form 910; prices entered in the “SCHEDULE OF PRICES” will prevail.

Bidder _____

(City - State)

By _____

(Signature and title of person authorized to sign this bid)

(Person to be contacted)

(Telephone Number)

(Email Address)