Jacket:

640-531

Title:

D-1015 Apply Online Pocket Folder

Agency:

Census

**Bid Opening:** 

March 14, 2019

at

11:00 AM

Contractor Name	Bid	Terms		Discounted Total
Gateway Press, Inc.	\$188,000.00	3.0%	20 days	\$182,360.00
RR Donnelley	\$195,632.00	Net	0 days	\$195,632.00
Precision Printing	\$210,413.00	5.0%	20 days	\$199,892.35
Schmitz Press	\$245,280.00	0.5%	20 days	\$244,053.60
Cenveo Worldwide	\$251,505.26	0.5%	20 days	\$250,247.73
Monarch Litho	\$259,952.00	2.0%	20 days	\$254,752.96
Las Vegas Color Graphics	\$272,555.00	5.0%	20 days	\$258,927.25
Taylor/Curtis	\$276,627.00	Net	0 days	\$276,627.00
Print Synergy Solutions	\$299,985.00	1.0%	20 days	\$296,985.15
Handy Bindery	\$323,000.00	2.0%	10 days	\$323,000.00
The John Roberts Company	\$355,316.84	net	0 days	\$355,316.84
Gray Graphics	\$380,975.00	2.0%	20 days	\$373,355.50
American Slide Chart Co.	\$517,312.00	5.0%	20 days	\$491,446.40
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March 11, 2019

This is Amendment No. #1. The specifications in our invitation for bids on Jackets 640-531, scheduled for opening at 11:00 AM on March 13, 2019, are amended as follows:

- 1. The bid opening date is changed from March 13, 2019 to March 14, 2019 at 11:00 AM prevailing Columbus, OH time.
- 2. Change quantity from 1,216,600 folders to 1,616,600 folders.
- 3. Replace delivery dates and quantities under SCHEDULE on page 5 to:

DELIVERY DATES: Quantities are the minimum acceptable; contractor has option to deliver in excess of the stated amounts.

Deliver 200,000 folders on or before April 10, 2019.

Deliver 250,000 folders on or before April 19, 2019.

Deliver 250,000 folders on or before May 2, 2019.

Deliver 300,000 folders on or before May 23, 2019.

Deliver 300,000 folders on or before June 13, 2019.

Deliver balance of 316,600 folders on or before June 27, 2019.

All other specifications remain the same.

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

U.S. Government Publishing Office Columbus Regional Office 1335 Dublin Road, Suite 112-B Columbus, OH 43215-7034

Or fax the amendment acknowledgement to (614) 488-4577.

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.

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<u>BIDDER MUST ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF THIS AMENDMENT PRIOR TO BID OPENING.</u>
Failure to acknowledge receipt of amendment, by amendment number, prior to bid-opening time, may be reason for bid being declared nonresponsive.

Sincerely,

WILLIAM M. LANSKY
Contracting Officer

Specifications by ES Reviewed by WL Jacket 640-531
Department: Commerce/Census
Requisition: 9-00146

BID OPENING: March 13, 2019.

**Bids shall be publicly opened at 11:00 AM prevailing Columbus, OH time on March 13, 2019.** Submit bids to: U.S. Government Publishing Office, Columbus Regional Printing Procurement Office, 1335 Dublin Road, Suite 112-B, Columbus, OH 43215-7034. **FACSIMILE BIDS ARE ACCEPTABLE.** 

Any questions before or after award concerning these specifications call Ellen Sommer at (614) 488-4616, Ext. 4. No collect calls.

## **SPECIFICATIONS**

U.S. Government Publishing Office (GPO) 1335 Dublin Road, Suite 112-B Columbus, OH 43215-7034

**BID SUBMISSION:** Using the bid return sheet (p.7 of these specifications), submit bids to the U.S. Government Publishing Office, Columbus Regional Printing Procurement Office, 1335 Dublin Road, Suite 112-B, Columbus, OH 43215-7034. **Facsimile bids in response to this solicitation are permitted.** Facsimile bids may be submitted directly to the GPO Columbus bid Section, Fax No. (614) 488-4577. The Jacket 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 January 2018.

**BIDDERS PLEASE NOTE:** The GPO 910 "BID" Form is no longer required. Bidders are to fill out, sign/initial, as applicable, page 7.

GPO has issued a new GPO Publication 310.2, GPO Contract Terms – Solicitations Provisions, Supplemental Specifications, and Contract Clause (Rev. 1-18). Prospective bidders should carefully read this publication as the applicable terms within become an integral part of this contract. The document is posted at https://www.gpo.gov/how-to-work-with-us/vendors/forms-and-standards along with a list of major revisions.

**OFFERS:** Offers must include the cost of all materials and operations for the total quantity ordered in accordance with these specifications. In addition, a price must be submitted for each additional 1000 copies. 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.

**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 Pub. 310.2, effective 12/1/87, Rev. 01-18) and GPO Contract Terms, Quality Assurance Through Attributes Program (GPO Pub. 310.1, effective May 1979, Rev. 8/2002).

- GPO Contract Terms (GPO Publication 310.2):
  - o https://www.gpo.gov/docs/default-source/forms-and-standards-files-for-vendors/terms-01-18.pdf
- GPO QATAP (GPO Publication 310.1):
  - o https://www.gpo.gov/docs/default-source/forms-and-standards-files-for-vendors/qatap.pdf

**WARRANTY:** Contract Clause 15, "Warranty", of GPO Contract Terms (Publication 310.2, effective December 1, 1987 (Rev. 01-18)) is amended for the solicitation to the effect that the warranty period is EXTENDED from 120 days to one calendar year from the date the check is tendered as final payment. All other provisions remain the same.

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**PREAWARD SURVEY:** In order to determine the responsibility of the contractor, the Government reserves the right to conduct an on-site pre-award survey at the contractor's facility and/or to require other evidence of technical, production, managerial, financial, and similar abilities to perform, prior to the award of a contract. The contractor must additionally be able to demonstrate the availability, capacity, and adequate resources to fulfill all contract requirements within the schedule required.

**PAYMENT:** Submitting invoices for payment via the GPO fax gateway (if no samples are required) utilizing the GPO barcode coversheet program application is the most efficient method of invoicing. Instruction for using this method 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.

For more information about the billing process refer to the General Information of the Office of Finance web page located at <a href="https://www.gpo.gov/how-to-work-with-us/vendors/how-to-get-paid">https://www.gpo.gov/how-to-work-with-us/vendors/how-to-get-paid</a>.

**GOVERNMENT IN-PLANT INSPECTIONS**: The Government reserves the right to have Government representative(s) inspect any operation under this contract at the start of its production and at any time during production. In addition to the inspections indicated, the Government reserves the right to inspect all stages of production.

**TITLE**: D-1015 Apply Online Pocket Folder.

FORM NO.: D-1015 September 2018.

**PRODUCT**: These specifications cover the production and delivery of a 2-pocket folder.

**QUANTITY**: 1,216,600.

**TRIM SIZE**: Flat: 19-1/2 x 16". Finished/Constructed: 9 x 12".

**DESCRIPTION/PRINTING**: Product prints one side flat. Entire face side flat including pockets prints 4-color process full 100% coverage and bleeds all sides, with images consisting of type, photos and solids. After printing, floodcoat entire face surface with a clear, high gloss, non-yellowing varnish/aqueous coating.

NOTE: Do not print GPO imprint on this product.

**CONSTRUCTION**: Bottom of folder folds up to form two 4" deep pockets with die cut "V" at center. Die cut 3/4" construction tabs on left and right; fold and securely glue in position to inside pockets. Die cut 2 opposing diagonal slits for holding standard size business cards in both pockets. Final fold to finished size of 9 x 12". Score all folds.

**GOVERNMENT TO FURNISH**: PO and PDF file will be emailed at time of award. File is cmyk, with bleeds and template layer. M.S. Word file of shipping container label. Printed sample as construction guide must be picked up from GPO Columbus, available upon request.

The contractor is responsible for creating or altering any necessary trapping, setting proper screen angles and screen frequency, and defining file output selection for the imaging device being utilized. All furnished files must be imaged as necessary to meet the assigned quality level.

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PREFLIGHT: The contractor shall preflight the furnished file prior to image processing (I.e. verify completeness and presence of all components required to process image in accordance with the visual provided such as fonts, graphic files, trim size, bleeds, etc.). It is further recommended that the contractor produce laser output or other acceptable digital proofing of files prior to imaging production materials. Any discrepancies of the Government Furnished Materials (GFM) and these specifications, or instances of missing files, fonts, instructions, etc. are to immediately be brought to the attention of the GPO Contracting Officer prior to further performance.

Upon completion of the order, if requested by the Government, the contractor must return the final production native application files (digital deliverables) with the furnished material. The digital deliverables must be an exact representation of the final printed product and shall be returned on suitable storage media or e-mailed as directed.

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

**PROOFS**: 2 sets of digital color accurate content proofs. Direct to plate must be used to produce the final product with a minimum resolution of 2400 x 2400 dpi.

Proofs must be created using the same Raster Image Processor (RIP) that will be used to produce the product. Proofs shall be have all elements in proper position (not pasted up), trimmed, die cut, constructed and folded to the finished size of the product.

Color content proofs may be inkjet proofs that are G7 profiled and use pigment-based inks. A proofing RIP that provides an option for high quality color matching (such as Device Links Technology and/or ICC Profiles Technology), and meets or exceeds industry tolerance to ISO 12647-7 Standard for Graphic Technology (as of 3/19/09, and future amendments) must be utilized plus GRACoL 2006 Coated #1 specifications (CGATS TR006) must be achieved. Output must be a minimum of 720 x 720 dpi on a GRACoL or SWOP certified proofing media. Proofs must contain the following color control strip to be evaluated for accuracy: IDEAlliance ISO 12647-7 Control Strip 2009 or 2013(i1).

Proofs must contain color control bars (such as Brunner, GATF, GRETAG, or RIT) for each color of ink on the sheet. Control bars must be placed parallel to the press ink rollers and 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, be in press configuration, and indicate margins. Proofs will be used for color match on press. Direct to plate must be used to produce the final product with a minimum of 2400 x 2400 dpi.

If any contractor's errors are serious enough in the opinion of the GPO to require revised proofs, the revised proofs are to be provided at no expense to the Government. No extra time can be allowed for this reproofing; such operations must be accomplished within the original production schedule allotted in the specifications.

The contractor is cautioned that these proofs must be made from the final digital files (used for this printing) that are to be delivered to the Government.

In the event proofs are disapproved by the Government, or the contractor fails to submit proofs by the date specified in the contract, 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. However, 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 original production schedule allotted in the specifications.

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<u>Deliver proofs directly to the following address</u>: U.S. Census Bureau, ACSD/PSB/Printing Services, Attn: William Burbano (3J422E), 4600 Silver Hill Rd., Suitland, MD 20746 (301-763-4418). Proof package is to be clearly marked PROOFS – URGENT DELIVERY using a florescent label. Include GPO Jacket Number, Requisition Number, and publication title.

Proofs must arrive not later than **March 19, 2019**; and will be withheld not longer than **2 WORKDAYS** from date of receipt, to date proofs are made available for pick up by the contractor (see NOTE below). The date of receipt is NOT the first workday. THE CONTRACTOR MUST NOT PRINT PRIOR TO RECEIPT OF PROOF APPROVAL.

NOTE: If proof return is required, it is the responsibility of the contractor to make the necessary pickup arrangements when notified that the reviewed proofs are available. Only one set of proofs will be made available for pickup. If a courier is to be used, a fully completed airbill (prepaid by the contractor) must be delivered with the proofs for this purpose.

**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.

Color of paper furnished shall be of a uniform shade and a close match by visual inspection of the JCP number specified.

White Coated One Side Cover (C1S), 12 pt. (0.012") thick, equal to JCP Code L70.

**INK:** 4-Color Process + Clear Gloss Coating.

MARGINS: Full bleed.

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

**Product Quality Levels:** 

- (a) Printing Attributes Level 3
- (b) Finishing Attributes Level 3

Inspection Levels (from ANSI/ASOC Zl.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 Approved Proofs
P-10. Process Color Match Approved Proofs

**PACKING**: Noncompliance with the packing instructions will be cause for the Government to take corrective action in accordance with GPO Pub. 310.2.

Shrink wrap in units of 50. Pack suitable per shipping container.

**LABELING AND MARKING**: Label and mark in accordance with GPO Contract Terms (GPO Pub. 310.2) and with furnished MS Word file provided. (All info as depicted on furnished label example must be included). Contractor to download the "Labeling and Marking Specifications" form (GPO Form 905, R. 7-15) from gpo.gov, fill in appropriate blanks (follow Word file), and attach to shipping containers.

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**Palletizing:** Wood pallets are required with un-notched solid stringers allowing entry only from the ends. Pallets shall not have deck boards that overhang from outside edge of stringer. Plastic or pressboard pallets are not acceptable. Pallets must measure 48" x 42" (stringer measurement shall be the 48" dimension). Full two-sided entry on the 42" width dimension required. The entire pallet shall be shrink-wrapped (including top and bottom). Maximum height allowance (including pallet) must not exceed 48".

Cartons shall be of the appropriate dimensions so as to be stacked on the pallets, so that the length of each carton runs in the opposite direction to the row of cartons beneath/above, (i.e., interlocking 90-degree palletizing scheme), with carton labels facing out. Carton dimensions shall allow for this interlocking 90-degree palletizing scheme. The interlocking 90-degree palletizing scheme must ensure all rows on all pallets are of the same dimensions. Pallets with overhanging cartons or row will not be accepted.

**DEPARTMENTAL RANDOM COPIES (BLUE LABEL):** Each delivery must be divided into 200 equal sublots. A random copy must be selected from each sublot. Do not choose copies from the same general area in each sublot. The contractor will be required to certify that copies were selected as directed using GPO Form 917-Certificate of Selection of Random Copies (located on GPO.gov). The random copies constitute a part of the total quantity ordered, and no additional charge will be allowed.

These randomly selected copies must be packed separately and identified by a special label (GPO Form 2678-Departmental Random Copies (Blue Label) that must be printed on blue paper and affixed to each affected container. This form can be downloaded from GPO.gov. The container and its contents shall be recorded separately on all shipping documents and sent to the specified delivery address.

A copy of the print order/specification and a signed Certificate of Selection of Random Copies must be included.

A copy of the signed Certificate of Selection of Random Copies must accompany the invoice sent to U.S. Government Publishing Office, Financial Management Services, for payment. Failure to furnish the certificate may result in delay in processing the invoice.

**SCHEDULE**: Adherence to this schedule must be maintained. See "Notice of Compliance with Schedules", in GPO Pub. 310.2.

Purchase Order and material will be e-mailed and sample available for pickup from U.S. Government Publishing Office, Columbus Regional Procurement Office, Suite 112-B, 1335 Dublin Road, Columbus, OH 43215; by: March 15, 2019.

<u>DELIVERY DATES</u>: Partial delivery of minimum 200,000 folders must be made on or before <u>April 19, 2019</u>.

Partial deliveries of balance required as follows; (quantities are the minimum acceptable; contractor has option to deliver in excess of the stated amounts).

Deliver 200,000 folders on or before May 2, 2019.

Deliver 300,000 folders on or before May 23, 2019.

Deliver 300,000 folders on or before June 13, 2019.

Deliver balance of 216,600 folders on or before June 27, 2019.

NOTE: 48 hour delivery notice must be provided prior to each delivery to: William Burbano, 301-763-4418 and Howard Dick 812-218-2012 and e-mail: william.a.burbano@census.gov.

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Two samples as soon as completed, shall be sent for inspection to the U.S. Government Printing Office, Regional Printing Procurement Office, Suite 112-B, 1335 Dublin Road, Columbus, Ohio 43215-7034, Attn: E. Sommer Inspection Samples 640-531.

These samples cannot be deducted from the total quantity ordered. The package or envelope containing the samples shall be identified by the GPO jacket number & title. The contractor will comply with the shipping schedule regardless of this requirement and will be notified of the test results only if there are deficiencies.

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.

**RECEIPT FOR DELIVERY**: As applicable, the contractor must furnish their own receipts for deliveries. These receipts must include the GPO jacket number; total quantity delivered number of cartons, and quantity per carton; date delivery made; and signature of the Government agent accepting delivery. The original copies of these receipts must accompany the contractor's voucher for payment.

**DISTRIBUTION**: Deliver F.O.B. Destination. Deliver to all destinations by traceable means. All expenses incidental to picking up and returning materials, proofs, and random copies must be borne by the contractor.

Deliver 1,216,600 Pocket Folders to: U.S Census Bureau, NPC Decennial Logistics, 100 Logistics Avenue, Jeffersonville, IN 47130 – Mark for Receiving Office – Howard Dick 812-218-2012

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