570.301 Market survey.

Conduct a market survey to identify potential sources. Use information available in GSA or from other sources to identify locations capable of meeting the Government’s requirements.

570.302 Description of requirements.

(a) The description of requirements depends on the nature of the space the agency needs and the market available to satisfy that need.

(b) The description of requirements must include all the following:

(1) A statement of the purpose of the lease.
(2) Functional, performance, or physical requirements.
(3) Any special requirements.
(4) The delivery schedule.

(c) The description must promote full and open competition. Include restrictive provisions or conditions only to the extent necessary to satisfy the agency’s needs or as authorized by law.

570.303 Solicitation for offers.

570.303–1 Preparing the SFO.

The SFO forms the basis for the lease negotiation process and becomes part of the lease. Document each SFO in writing or electronically. Include the information necessary to enable prospective offerors to prepare proposals. Each SFO, at a minimum, must provide all the following:

(a) Describe the Government’s requirements.
(b) State the method the Government will use to measure space.
(c) Explain how to structure offers.

(d) Specify a date, time, and place for submission of offers.
(e) Explain how the Government will evaluate offers.
(f) Describe the source selection procedures the Government will use.
(g) Include a statement outlining the information the Government may disclose in debriefings.
(h) Include appropriate forms prescribed in 570.7.

570.303–2 Issuing the SFO.

Release the SFO to all prospective offerors at the same time.

570.303–3 Late offers, modifications of offers, and withdrawals of offers.

Follow the procedures in FAR 15.208.

570.303–4 Changes to SFOs.

(a) If the Government’s requirements change, either before or after receipt of proposals, issue an amendment. Document the amendment using the same method as for the SFO, written or electronic.
(b) If time is critical, you may provide information on SFO amendments orally.

(1) Make a record of the information provided.
(2) Provide, or attempt to provide, the notice to all offerors or prospective offerors on the same day.
(3) Promptly confirm the information provided orally in a written amendment.
(c) Distribute an amendment as follows:

(1) If before the proposal due date, send the amendment to all prospective offerors who were sent a copy of the SFO.
(2) If after proposal receipt, send the amendment to each offeror who submitted a proposal.
(d) If an amendment is so substantial that it requires a complete revision of the SFO, cancel the SFO and issue a new one.

570.304 General source selection procedures.

(a) These procedures apply to acquisitions of leasehold interests except if you use either:

(1) Simplified lease acquisition procedures authorized by 570.2.