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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

| <u>Regulatory Cite</u> | <u>Title</u> | <u>Date</u> |
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| 1 52.204-4016 (TACOM) | TACOM-WARREN ELECTRONIC CONTRACTING | SEP/2004 |

(a) All TACOM solicitations and awards are distributed on the TACOM Warren Business Opportunities web page (<http://contracting.tacom.army.mil/opportunity.htm>) and are no longer available in hard copy. The TDPs and other documents, when available electronically, will be an attachment or linked to the solicitation package on the web.

(b) You may need to use special software to view documents that we post on the home page. This viewing software is freeware, available for download at no cost from commercial web sites like Microsoft and Adobe. In cases where such software is required, we provide a link from our page to the commercial site where the software is available. Once you arrive at the software developer's site, follow their instructions to download the free viewer. You then can return to the TACOM home page.

(c) You are required to submit your offer, bid, or quote electronically. Please go to the following webpage for detailed information about submitting your offer electronically: <http://contracting.tacom.army.mil/ebidnotice.htm>

(d) Any award issued as a result of this solicitation will be distributed electronically. Awards posted on the TACOM Warren Business Opportunities web page represent complete OFFICIAL copies of contract awards and will include the awarded unit price. This is the notice required by Executive Order 12600 (June 23, 1987) of our intention to release unit prices in response to any request under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 USC 552. Unit price is defined as the contract price per unit or item purchased as it appears in Section B of the contract and is NOT referring to nor does it include Cost or Pricing data/information. If you object to such release, and you intend on submitting an offer, notify the PCO in writing prior to the closing date identified in this solicitation and include the rationale for your objection consistent with the provisions of FOIA. A release determination will be made based on rationale given.

(e) If you have questions or need help in using the Acquisition Center Home Page, call our Electronic Contracting Help Desk at (586) 574-7059, or send an email message to: acqcenweb@tacom.army.mil
If you have questions about the content of any specific item posted on our home page, please call the buyer or point of contact listed for the item. For technical assistance in doing business with the Government, and doing business electronically, please visit the Procurement Technical Assistance Center Website at <http://www.sellingtothegovernment.net/index.asp> to find a location near you.

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| 0001 | SUPPLIES OR SERVICES AND PRICES/COSTS NSN: 5935-01-494-3538 FSCM: 1BZD4 PART NR: 1092-1 SECURITY CLASS: Unclassified | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 0001AA | <p><u>PRODUCTION QUANTITY</u></p> <p>CLIN CONTRACT TYPE: Firm-Fixed-Price NOUN: CONNECTOR,RECEPTACL PRON: EH492841EH PRON AMD: 04 ACRN: AA AMS CD: 070021</p> <p>Tru-Hitch, INC. Cage Code: 1BZD4 Part Number: 1092-1</p> <p>(End of narrative C001)</p> <p><u>Packaging and Marking</u> PACKAGING/PACKING/SPECIFICATIONS: SEE PACKAGING REQUIREMENTS CLAUSE UNIT PACK: 001 LEVEL PRESERVATION: Commercial LEVEL PACKING: Commercial</p> <p><u>Inspection and Acceptance</u> INSPECTION: Origin ACCEPTANCE: Origin</p> <p><u>Deliveries or Performance</u> DOC SUPPL <table border="0"> <tr> <td><u>REL CD</u></td> <td><u>MILSTRIP</u></td> <td><u>ADDR</u></td> <td><u>SIG CD</u></td> <td><u>MARK FOR</u></td> <td><u>TP CD</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>001</td> <td>W56HZV40572094</td> <td>W25G1U</td> <td>J</td> <td></td> <td>2</td> </tr> </table> <table border="0"> <tr> <td><u>DEL REL CD</u></td> <td><u>QUANTITY</u></td> <td><u>DAYS AFTER AWARD</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>001</td> <td>125</td> <td>0090</td> </tr> </table> <p>FOB POINT: Origin</p> <p>SHIP TO: <u>FREIGHT ADDRESS</u> (W25G1U) XU TRANSPORTATION OFFICER DDSP NEW CUMBERLAND FACILITY BUILDING MISSION DOOR 113 134 NEW CUMBERLAND PA 17070-5001</p> <p><u>CONTRACT/DELIVERY ORDER NUMBER</u> W56HZV-04-P-0734/0000</p> </p> | <u>REL CD</u> | <u>MILSTRIP</u> | <u>ADDR</u> | <u>SIG CD</u> | <u>MARK FOR</u> | <u>TP CD</u> | 001 | W56HZV40572094 | W25G1U | J | | 2 | <u>DEL REL CD</u> | <u>QUANTITY</u> | <u>DAYS AFTER AWARD</u> | 001 | 125 | 0090 | 125 | EA | \$ 19.11000 | \$ 2,388.75 |
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| 0002 | FSCM: 1BZD4 PART NR: 1092-1 SECURITY CLASS: Unclassified | | | | |
| 0002AA | <p><u>UNEXERCISED OPTION QUANTITY</u></p> <p>NOUN: CONNECTOR, RECEPTACLE</p> <p><u>Packaging and Marking</u> PACKAGING/PACKING/SPECIFICATIONS: SEE PACKAGING REQUIREMENTS SHEET UNIT PACK: 001 LEVEL PRESERVATION: Commercial LEVEL PACKING: Commercial</p> <p><u>Inspection and Acceptance</u> INSPECTION: Origin ACCEPTANCE: Origin</p> <p><u>Deliveries or Performance</u> DOC SUPPL <u>REL CD MILSTRIP ADDR SIG CD MARK FOR TP CD</u> 001 <u>DEL REL CD QUANTITY DEL DATE</u> 001 125 UNDEFINITIZED</p> <p>FOB POINT: Origin</p> <p>SHIP TO: <u>PARCEL POST ADDRESS</u> (Y00000) SHIPPING INSTRUCTIONS FOR CONSIGNEE (SHIP-TO) WILL BE FURNISHED PRIOR TO THE SCHEDULED DELIVERY DATE FOR ITEMS REQUIRED UNDER THIS REQUISITION.</p> <p><u>CONTRACT/DELIVERY ORDER NUMBER</u> W56HZV-04-P-0734/0000</p> | 125 | EA | \$ 19.11000 | \$ 2,388.75 |

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| LINE | PRON/ AMS CD/ <u>ITEM</u> | <u>ACRN</u> | <u>STAT</u> | <u>ACCOUNTING CLASSIFICATION</u> | | JOB ORDER <u>NUMBER</u> | <u>ACCOUNTING</u> <u>STATION</u> | <u>OBLIGATED</u> <u>AMOUNT</u> |
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| 0001AA | EH492841EH 070021 | AA | 2 | 97 X4930AC6D 6D | 26FB S20113 | | W56HZV \$ | 2,388.75 |
| | | | | | | | TOTAL \$ | 2,388.75 |

| <u>SERVICE</u> <u>NAME</u> | <u>TOTAL BY ACRN</u> | <u>ACCOUNTING CLASSIFICATION</u> | | <u>ACCOUNTING</u> <u>STATION</u> | <u>OBLIGATED</u> <u>AMOUNT</u> |
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CONTRACT CLAUSES

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| 2 | 52.222-21 | PROHIBITION OF SEGREGATED FACILITIES | FEB/1999 |
| 3 | 52.232-33 | PAYMENT BY ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER--CENTRAL CONTRACTOR REGISTRATION | OCT/2003 |
| 4 | 52.242-10 | F.O.B. ORIGIN--GOVERNMENT BILLS OF LADING OR PREPAID POSTAGE | APR/1984 |
| 5 | 52.246-2 | INSPECTION OF SUPPLIES--FIXED PRICE | AUG/1996 |
| 6 | 52.247-1 | COMMERCIAL BILL OF LADING NOTATIONS the notation set forth in paragraph (a) of the clause applies in this contract. The agency name in line one of the notation shall read:US ARMY TANK-AUTOMOTIVE & ARMAMENTS COMMAND | APR/1984 |
| 7 | 52.247-29 | F.O.B. ORIGIN | JUN/1988 |
| 8 | 52.247-58 | LOADING, BLOCKING, AND BRACING OF FREIGHT CAR SHIPMENTS | APR/1984 |
| 9 | 52.247-59 | F.O.B. ORIGIN - CARLOAD AND TRUCKLOAD SHIPMENTS | APR/1984 |
| 10 | 52.247-65 | F.O.B. ORIGIN - PREPAID FREIGHT - SMALL PACKAGE SHIPMENTS | JAN/1991 |
| 11 | 252.225-7001 | BUY AMERICAN ACT AND BALANCE OF PAYMENTS PROGRAM | APR/2003 |
| 12 | 52.204-4006 (TACOM) | INCORPORATION OF TACOM MASTER SOLICITATION FOR SIMPLIFIED ACQUISITIONS AND DESIGNATION OF F.O.B. POINT | MAY/2000 |

(a) This Request for Quotation (RFQ) or Purchase Order (PO) incorporates by reference TACOM-Warren's Master Solicitation for Simplified Acquisitions with the same force and effect as though the clauses and provisions it contains were physically incorporated into this document. The version in effect at time of award is the version that applies to your purchase order.

(b) The TACOM-Warren Master Solicitation for Simplified Acquisitions is available on our Electronic Contracting web page, which you can reach using the following URL address: <http://contracting.tacom.army.mil/opportunity.htm>

(c) The clauses and provisions in Section I of the Master Solicitation apply to all TACOM-Warren RFQs and Purchase Orders that contain this clause. The clauses contained in Section II of the Master Solicitation applies in addition to those in Section I when the RFQ or PO specifies F.O.B. Origin.

(d) We hereby specify that the required F.O.B. point for this acquisition is ORIGIN.

(e) We will keep the Master Solicitation identified in this clause available on our Electronic Contracting web page during the entire period of performance of the purchase order. If the current Master Solicitation later is revised to incorporate a change in any of the clauses, the version specified in this clause will be retained, intact, in an archive area on our web page for continued reference and use.

[End of Clause]

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| 13 | 52.211-4053 (TACOM) | REQUIRED TAILORING LANGUAGE TO ELIMINATE CLASS I OZONE-DEPLETING SUBSTANCES | MAR/2000 |
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(a) The purchase description or Technical Data Package (TDP) for this purchase order incorporates one or more specifications or standards that, in their unmodified form, either authorize or require the use of Class I Ozone-Depleting Substances (CIODS). For purposes of your performance on this purchase order, those specifications (which are identified in paragraph (b) of this clause) are modified by special tailoring language which appears in the TACOM Acquisition Center's web-site. Directions for reaching our web-site and locating the required tailoring language appear in paragraph (c) of this clause.

(b) Tailoring language to eliminate the authorization or requirement to use Class I Ozone-Depleting Substances (CIODS) is hereby incorporated into this contract by reference. Packaging Specifications MIL-L-61002 and MIL-STD-129, where they apply, are affected by this tailoring language. Other specifications and standards affected are: N/A.

(c) The CIODS listing that contains the required tailoring language is on the TACOM Acquisition Center web-site, which you can reach by using this URL: <http://contracting.tacom.army.mil/ciods.html>

[End of Clause]

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| 14 | 52.211-4517 (TACOM) | PACKAGING REQUIREMENTS (COMMERCIAL) | MAR/2004 |
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(a) The preservation, packing, and marking requirements for this contract/order shall be accomplished in accordance with the performance requirements defined herein. The following Packaging requirements shall apply:

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LEVEL OF PRESERVATION: Commercial

LEVEL OF PACKING: Commercial

QUANTITY PER UNIT PACKAGE: 001

(1) Packaging: Preservation, packaging, packing, unitization and marking furnished by the supplier shall provide protection for a minimum of one year and meet or exceed the following requirements. It also provides for multiple handling, redistribution and shipment by any mode.

(2) Cleanliness: Items shall be free of dirt and other contaminants which would contribute to the deterioration of the item or which would require cleaning by the customer prior to use. Coatings and preservatives applied to the item for protection are not considered contaminants.

(3) Preservation: Items susceptible to corrosion or deterioration shall be provided protection by means of preservative coatings, volatile corrosion inhibitors, desiccants, waterproof and/or watervaporproof barriers.

(4) Cushioning: Items requiring protection from physical and mechanical damage (e.g. fragile, sensitive, material critical) or which could cause physical damage to other items, shall be protected by wrapping, cushioning, pack compartmentalization, or other means to mitigate shock and vibration to prevent damage during handling and shipment.

(b) Unit Package: A unit package shall be so designed and constructed that it will contain the contents with no damage to the item(s), and with minimal damage to the unit pack during shipment and storage in the shipping container, and will allow subsequent handling. The outermost component of a unit package shall be a container such as a sealed bag, carton or box.

(c) Unit Package Quantity: Unless otherwise specified, the unit package quantity shall be one each part, set, assembly, kit, etc.

(d) Intermediate Package: Intermediate packaging is required whenever one or more of the following conditions exists:

- (1) The quantity is over one (1) gross of the same national stock number,
- (2) Use enhances handling and inventorying,
- (3) The exterior surfaces of the unit pack is a bag of any type, regardless of size,
- (4) The unit pack is less than 64 cubic inches,
- (5) The weight of the unit pack is under five (5) pounds and no dimension is over twelve (12) inches.

Intermediate containers shall be limited to a maximum of 100 unit packs, a net load of 40 pounds, or a maximum volume of 1.5 cubic feet, whichever occurs first.

(e) Packing:

(1) Unit packages and intermediate packages not meeting the requirements for a shipping container shall be packed in shipping containers. All shipping containers shall be the most cost effective and shall be of minimum cube to contain and protect the items.

(2) Shipping Containers: The shipping container (including any necessary blocking, bracing, cushioning, or waterproofing) shall comply with the regulations of the carrier used and shall provide safe delivery to the destination at the lowest tariff cost. The shipping container shall be capable of multiple handling, stacking at least ten feet high, and storage under favorable conditions (such as enclosed facilities) for a minimum of one year.

(f) Unitization: Shipments of identical items going to the same destination shall be palletized if they have a total cubic displacement of 50 cubic feet or more unless skids or other forklift handling features are included on the containers. Pallet loads must be stable, and to the greatest extent possible, provide a level top for ease of stacking. A palletized load shall be of a size to allow for placement of two loads high and wide in a conveyance. The weight capacity of the pallet must be adequate for the load. The preferred commercial expendable pallet is a 40 x 48 inch, 4-way entry pallet although variations may be permitted as dictated by the characteristics of the items being unitized. The load shall be contained in a manner that will permit safe handling during shipment and storage.

(g) Marking:

(1) All unit packages, intermediate packs, exterior shipping containers, and, as applicable, unitized loads shall be marked in accordance with MIL-STD-129P(2), dated 10 Feb 2004, including bar coding. The contractor is responsible for application of special markings as discussed in the Military Standard regardless of whether specified in the contract/order or not. Special markings include, but are not limited to, Shelf-life markings, structural markings, and transportation special handling markings. The marking of pilferable and sensitive materiel will not identify the nature of the materiel.

(2) Contractors and vendors shall apply identification and address markings with bar codes in accordance with this standard.

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For shipments moving to overseas locations and for mobile deployable units, the in-the-clear address must also include the host country geographic address and the APO/FPO address. A Military Shipment Label (MSL) is required for all shipments except contractor to contractor. The MSL will include both linear and 2D bar codes per the standard. DVD shipment documentation must also be marked with additional bar codes. The DD Form 250 or the commercial packing list shall have additional issue/receipt bar coding applied as per Direct Vendor Delivery Shipments in the standard (except for deliveries to DLA Distribution Depots, e.g. New Cumberland, San Joaquin, Red River, Anniston). Packing lists are required in accordance with the Standard, see paragraph 5.3

(3) Contractor to contractor shipments shall have the address markings applied to the identification marked side of the exterior shipping container or to the unitized load markings. The following shall be marked "FROM: name and address of consignor and TO: name and address of consignee".

(4) Computer Automated Transportation Tool (CATT). The following website provides detailed instructions for downloading and installing the Military Shipment Label/Issue Receipt Document (CATT MSL/IRRD) software that will generate a Military Shipping Label to include the required Code 39 and 2D(PDF417) bar codes on the label: <http://www.asset-trak.com/catt/msl_irrd/mslirrdmain.htm> This program was developed by the Army and is free to those with government contracts. Two contractors have introduced a version of the MSL software that can be purchased by contractors. Both programs produce labels that appear to be in compliance with the requirements of MIL-STD-129P. Contractors are MILPAC (<<http://milpac.com/>>) and Easysoft Corporation (<<http://easysoftcorp.com/>>). Ensure that the ship to and mark for in-the-clear delivery address is complete including: consignees name, organization, department name, office, building, room, street address, city, state, country code, & DODAAC.

(h) Hazardous Materials(As applicable):

(1) Hazardous Materials is defined as a substance, or waste which has been determined by the Secretary of Transportation to be capable of posing an unreasonable risk to health, safety, and property when transported in commerce and which has been so designated. (This includes all items listed as hazardous in Titles 29, 40 and 49 CFR and other applicable modal regulations effective at the time of shipment.)

(2) Packaging and marking for hazardous material shall comply with the requirements herein for the mode of transport and the applicable performance packaging contained in the following documents:

International Air Transport Association (IATA) Dangerous Goods Regulations
 International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code (IMDG)
 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Title 29, Title 40 and Title 49
 Joint Service Regulation AFJMAN24-204/TM38-250/NAVSUPPUB 505/MCO
 P4030.19/DLAM 4145.3 (for military air shipments).

(3) If the shipment originates from outside the continental United States, the shipment shall be prepared in accordance with the United Nations Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods in a manner acceptable to the Competent Authority of the nation of origin and in accordance with regulations of all applicable carriers.

(4) A Product Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) is required to be included with every unit pack and intermediate container and shall be included with the packing list inside the sealed pouch attached to the outside of the package.

(i) Heat Treatment and Marking of Wood Packaging Materials: Boxes/pallets and any wood used as inner packaging made of non-manufactured wood shall be heat-treated. All non-manufactured wood used in packaging shall be heat treated to a core temperature of 56 degrees Celsius for a minimum of 30 minutes. The box/pallet manufacturer and the manufacturer of wood used as inner packaging shall be affiliated with an inspection agency accredited by the board of review of the American Lumber Standard Committee. The box/pallet manufacturer and the manufacturer of wood used as inner packaging shall ensure traceability to the original source of heat treatment. Marking. Each box/pallet shall be marked to show the conformance to the International Plant Protection Convention Standard. The quality mark shall be placed on both ends of the outer packaging, between the end cleats or end battens; on two sides of the pallet. Foreign manufacturers shall have the heat treatment of non-manufactured wood products verified in accordance with their National Plant Protection Organizations compliance program.

(j) Quality Assurance: The contractor is responsible for establishing a quality system. Full consideration to examinations, inspections, and tests will be given to ensure the acceptability of the commercial package.

(k) SUPPLEMENTAL INSTRUCTIONS: REQUEST CONTRACTOR TO PROVIDE ACTUAL UNIT PACK WEIGHT, CUBE, AND SIZE TO THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS: PACKAGING@TACOM.ARMY.MIL

[End of Clause]

15 52.217-4001 SEPARATELY PRICED OPTION FOR INCREASED QUANTITY
 (TACOM)

APR/1997

(a) The Government hereby reserves the right to increase the quantity of the contract item up to an additional quantity of 125

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each units. The unit price for such option quantity shall be as set forth in CLIN 0002AA. This option may be exercised by the Government at any time, but in any event not later than -3- days after AWARD. In addition, such option may be exercised in increments, subject to the stated total additional quantity limitations, price(s), and the above-stated time for exercise of the option.

(b) Delivery of the items added by the exercise of this option shall continue immediately after, and at the same rate as, delivery of like items called for under this contract, unless the parties hereto otherwise agree.

(c) Additionally, prior to the expiration of the original option period identified in paragraph (a) above, the Government may seek a bilateral extension of the option period for an additional period not to exceed 90 days from the expiration date of the original option period.

[End of Clause]

16 52.246-4005 INSPECTION AND ACCEPTANCE POINTS: ORIGIN FEB/1995
(TACOM)

(a) Inspection and acceptance of supplies offered under this purchase order shall take place as specified herein. Inspection: ORIGIN Acceptance: ORIGIN

(b) Origin inspection shall take place at the site specified below:

TRU-HITCH INC.
16 WEST HILL ROAD
BARKHAMSTED, CT 06063

[End of Clause]

17 52.246-4053 USE OF MIL-STD 1916 JAN/2001
(TACOM)

The Government will not accept lots whose samples submitted for acceptance contain nonconformances unless appropriately documented and approved by the contracting officer. The contractor shall use MIL-STD- 1916, DOD Preferred Methods of Acceptance of Product. The Verification Level (VL) shall be VL IV for major characteristics and VL II for minor characteristics. MIL-HDBK-1916 provides guidance on the use of MIL-STD 1916. This handbook is not contractually binding.

[End of Clause]

18 252.247-7023 TRANSPORTATION OF SUPPLIES BY SEA (Alternate III dated May 2002) MAY/2002

(a) Definitions. As used in this clause--

(1) Components means articles, materials, and supplies incorporated directly into end products at any level of manufacture, fabrication, or assembly by the Contractor or any subcontractor.

(2) Department of Defense (DoD) means the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, and defense agencies.

(3) Foreign flag vessel means any vessel that is not a U.S.-flag vessel.

(4) Ocean transportation means any transportation aboard a ship, vessel, boat, barge, or ferry through international waters.

(5) Subcontractor means a supplier, materialman, distributor, or vendor at any level below the prime contractor whose contractual obligation to perform results from, or is conditioned upon, award of the prime contract and who is performing any part of the work or other requirement of the prime contract. However, effective May 1, 1996, the term does not include a supplier, materialman, distributor, or vendor of commercial items or commercial components.

(6) Supplies means all property, except land and interests in land, that is clearly identifiable for eventual use by or owned by the DoD at the time of transportation by sea.

(i) An item is clearly identifiable for eventual use by the DoD if, for example, the contract documentation contains a reference to a DoD contract number or a military destination.

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(ii) Supplies includes (but is not limited to) public works; buildings and facilities; ships; floating equipment and vessels of every character, type, and description, with parts, subassemblies, accessories, and equipment; machine tools; material; equipment; stores of all kinds; end items; construction materials; and components of the foregoing.

(7) U.S.-flag vessel means a vessel of the United States or belonging to the United States, including any vessel registered or having national status under the laws of the United States.

(b)(1) The Contractor shall use U.S.-flag vessels when transporting any supplies by sea under this contract.

(2) A subcontractor transporting supplies by sea under this contract shall use U.S.-flag vessels if-

(i) This contract is a construction contract; or

(ii) The supplies being transported are-

(A) Noncommercial items; or

(B) Commercial items that-

(1) The Contractor is reselling or distributing to the Government without adding value (generally, the Contractor does not add value to items that it subcontracts for f.o.b. destination shipment);

(2) Are shipped in direct support of U.S. military contingency operations, exercises, or forces deployed in humanitarian or peacekeeping operations; or

(3) Are commissary or exchange cargoes transported outside of the Defense Transportation System in accordance with 10 U.S.C. 2643.

(c) The Contractor and its subcontractors may request that the Contracting Officer authorize shipment in foreign-flag vessels, or designate available U.S.-flag vessels, if the Contractor or a subcontractor believes that--

(1) U.S.-flag vessels are not available for timely shipment;

(2) The freight charges are inordinately excessive or unreasonable; or

(3) Freight charges are higher than charges to private persons for transportation of like goods.

(d) The Contractor must submit any request for use of other than U.S.-flag vessels in writing to the Contracting Officer at least 45 days prior to the sailing date necessary to meet its delivery schedules. The Contracting Officer will process requests submitted after such date(s) as expeditiously as possible, but the Contracting Officer's failure to grant approvals to meet the shipper's sailing date will not of itself constitute a compensable delay under this or any other clause of this contract. Requests shall contain at a minimum--

(1) Type, weight, and cube of cargo;

(2) Required shipping date;

(3) Special handling and discharge requirements;

(4) Loading and discharge points;

(5) Name of shipper and consignee;

(6) Prime contract number; and

(7) A documented description of efforts made to secure U.S.-flag vessels, including points of contact (with names and telephone numbers) with at least two U.S.-flag carriers contacted. Copies of telephone notes, telegraphic and facsimile message or letters will be sufficient for this purpose.

(e) The Contractor shall, within 30 days after each shipment covered by this clause, provide the Contracting Officer and the Division of National Cargo, Office of Market Development, Maritime Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation, Washington, DC 20590, one copy of the rated on board vessel operating carrier's ocean bill of lading, which shall contain the following information--

(1) Prime contract number;

(2) Name of vessel;

(3) Vessel flag of registry;

(4) Date of loading;

(5) Port of loading;

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(6) Port of final discharge;

(7) Description of commodity;

(8) Gross weight in pounds and cubic feet if available;

(9) Total ocean freight in U.S. dollars; and

(10) Name of the steamship company.

(f) The Contractor shall insert the substance of this clause, including this paragraph (f) in subcontracts that are for a type of supplies described in paragraph (b)(2) of this clause.

[End of Clause]

19 52.204-4005 REQUIRED USE OF ELECTRONIC CONTRACTING JUN/2004

20 52.204-4009 MANDATORY USE OF CONTRACTOR TO GOVERNMENT ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION JUN/1999
(TACOM)

(a) All references in the contract to the submission of written documentation shall mean electronic submission. All electronic submissions shall be in the formats and media described in the "Electronic Quotations/Offers/Bids Required in Response to this Request for Quotations/Proposals/Bids" clause elsewhere in this document. (See Section K for commercial acquisitions, Section L for RFPs, and Section I for RFQs.)

(b) This shall include all written unclassified communications between the Government and the Contractor except contract awards and contract modifications which shall be posted on the internet. Return receipt shall be used if a commercial application is available. Classified information shall be handled in full accordance with the appropriate security requirements.

(c) In order to be contractually binding, all Government communications requiring a Contracting Officer signature must be sent from the Contracting Officer's e-mail address. The Contractor shall designate the personnel with signature authority who can contractually bind the contractor. All binding contractor communication shall be sent from this contractor e-mail address(es).

(d) Upon award, the Contractor shall provide the Contracting Officer with a list of e-mail addresses for all administrative and technical personnel assigned to this contract.

(e) Unless exempted by the Procuring Contracting Officer in writing, all unclassified written communication after contract award shall be transmitted electronically.

[End of Clause]

21 52.213-4010 ADDITIONAL GENERAL CLAUSES FEB/1997
(TACOM)

The following three FAR clauses apply to this purchase order, in addition to the other clauses contained in, or cited in, the document:

(1) CHANGES-FIXED-PRICE (AUG 1987)
52.243-1

(i) The Contracting Officer may at any time, by written order, and without notice to the sureties, if any, make changes within the general scope of this contract in any one or more of the following:

(A) Drawings, designs, or specifications when the supplies to be furnished are to be specially manufactured for the Government in accordance with the drawings, designs, or specifications.

(B) Method of shipment or packing.

(C) Place of delivery.

(ii) If any such change causes an increase or decrease in the cost of, or the time required for, performance of any part of the work under this contract, whether or not changed by the order, the Contracting Officer shall make an equitable adjustment in the contract price, the delivery schedule, or both, and shall modify the contract.

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(iii) The Contractor must assert its right to an adjustment under this clause within 30 days from the date of receipt of the written order. However, if the Contracting Officer decides that the facts justify it, the Contracting Officer may receive and act upon a proposal submitted before final payment of the contract.

(iv) If the Contractor's proposal includes the cost of property made, obsolete or excess by the change, the Contracting Officer shall have the right to prescribe the manner of the disposition of the property.

(v) Failure to agree to any adjustment shall be a dispute under the Disputes clause. However, nothing in this clause shall excuse the Contractor from proceeding with the contract as changed.

[End of Clause]

(2) TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE OF THE GOVERNMENT (APR 1984)
52.249-1

The Contracting Officer, by written notice, may terminate this contract, in whole or in part, when it is in the Government's interest. If this contract is terminated, the rights, duties, and obligations of the parties, including compensation to the Contractor, shall be in accordance with Part 49 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation in effect on the date of this contract.

[End of Clause]

(3) DEFAULT--FIXED-PRICE SUPPLY AND SERVICE (APR 1984)
52.249-8

The Contracting Officer, by written notice, may terminate this contract, in whole or in part, for failure of the Contractor to perform any of the provisions hereof. See referenced FAR cite for full provision.

[End of Clause]

22 52.215-4404 DATA AND COMMUNICATIONS SUBMITTED TO THE GOVERNMENT ELECTRONICALLY MAY/2002
(TACOM)

(a) The Government often employs contractors as system administrators to operate and maintain Government computer systems. These systems include local area networks, web sites, databases, other electronic records, e-mail accounts, other electronic data transfer mechanisms and computer software. The employees of these contracted system administrators sign nondisclosure agreements obligating them not to reveal information contained in files, documents, computers or systems that they administer. However, unless such information is protected in some way, contracted system administrators do have the ability to access such information.

(b) Potential contractors as well as any other parties are thus advised to take steps needed to prevent access by contracted system administrators to information submitted electronically to the Government. Absent such steps, it is assumed that contracted system administrators are permitted the capability to access the data. The access will be limited to that which is necessary for the contract system administrator to perform its duties for the Government. The access shall be subject to the condition that third party information is not to be revealed by the contracted system administrator.

[End of Clause]

23 52.246-4026 LOCAL ADDRESS FOR DD FORM 250 JAN/2002
(TACOM)

(a) The contractor must provide a copy of each Material Inspection and Receiving Report (DD 250) pertaining to this contract, to the addresses given below, using either of the following methods:

(1) Our first preference is for you to use electronic mail (e-mail), using the following e-mail address:
DD250@tacom.army.mil

(2) Our second preference is for you to use data facsimile (datafax) transmission, using this fax number: (586) 574-5527 and use "DD250 mailbox" in the "to:" block of your fax cover or header sheet.

In either method, do not mix DD250s from more than one contract in a single transmission. That is, you may submit multiple DD250s in a single transmission, but they must all be against the same contract.

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(b) These copies meet the requirements for the Purchasing Office copy and the Army Inventory Control Manager copy listed in tables 1 and 2 of DFARS Appendix F.

(c) The DD250 form may be found, in three different formats, on the World Wide Web at <http://www.dtic.mil/whs/directives/infomgt/forms/forminfo/forminfopage2126.html>

[End of Clause]

24 52.247-4005 SHIPMENT OF SUPPLIES AND DETENTION OF CARRIER'S EQUIPMENT AUG/2003
(TACOM)

(a) Unless otherwise directed, shipment items under this contract in following order of priority:

- (1) Government/Commercial Bills of Lading or US Postal Services;
- (2) Prepaid Commercial Bill(s) of Lading with transportation charges entered as a separate item on the invoice; or
- (3) As otherwise instructed when the contract prohibits use of Government funds for transportation costs.

(b) The Contractor will request:

- (1) Government Bills of Lading and

(2) Routing and other instructions, including Defense Transportation Regulation (DTR), DOD Regulation 4500.9-R-Part 2 Cargo Movement, as to the methods of shipment to be followed by the Contractor, or

(c) The Contractor and subcontractor(s) must allow prompt and convenient access of carrier's equipment to loading docks or platforms where the contract items supplies will be loaded. Any charges for detention of carrier's equipment shall be for the account of the Contractor, except when the detention is required or caused by the Government.

[End of Clause]