

Department of Veterans Affairs

852.215-71

RESTRICTIONS ON ALTERNATE ITEM(S) (JAN 2008)

Bids on []* will be considered only if acceptable bids on []** are not received or do not satisfy the total requirement.

(End of provision)

852.214-72 Alternate item(s).

As prescribed in 814.201-6(b)(2), insert the following provision:

ALTERNATE ITEM(S) (JAN 2008)

Bids on []* will be given equal consideration along with bids on []** and any such bids received may be accepted if to the advantage of the Government. Tie bids will be decided in favor of []**.

(End of provision)

852.214-73 Alternate packaging and packing.

As prescribed in 814.201-6(b)(3), insert the following provision:

ALTERNATE PACKAGING AND PACKING (JAN 2008)

The bidder's offer must clearly indicate the quantity, package size, unit, or other different feature upon which the quote is made. Evaluation of the alternate or multiple alternates will be made on a common denominator such as per ounce, per pound, etc., basis.

(End of provision)

852.214-74 Bid samples.

As prescribed in 814.201-6(c), insert the following provision:

Bid Samples (JAN 2008)

Any bid sample(s) furnished must be in the quantities specified in the solicitation and plainly marked with the complete lettering/ numbering and description of the related bid item(s); the number of the Invitation for Bids; and the name of the bidder submitting the bid sample(s). Cases or packages containing any bid sample(s) must be plainly marked "Bid Sample(s)" and all changes pertaining to the preparation and transportation of bid sample(s) must be prepaid by

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the bidder. Bid sample(s) must be received at the location specified in the solicitation by the time and date for receipt of bids.

(End of provision)

852.215-70 Service-disabled veteran-owned and veteran-owned small business evaluation factors.

As prescribed in 815.304-71(a), insert the following clause:

SERVICE-DISABLED VETERAN-OWNED AND VETERAN-OWNED SMALL BUSINESS EVALUATION FACTORS

(DEC 2009)

(a) In an effort to achieve socioeconomic small business goals, depending on the evaluation factors included in the solicitation, VA shall evaluate offerors based on their service-disabled veteran-owned or veteran-owned small business status and their proposed use of eligible service-disabled veteran-owned small businesses and veteran-owned small businesses as subcontractors.

(b) Eligible service-disabled veteran-owned offerors will receive full credit, and offerors qualifying as veteran-owned small businesses will receive partial credit for the Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned and Veteran-owned Small Business Status evaluation factor. To receive credit, an offeror must be registered and verified in Vendor Information Pages (VIP) database. (<http://www.VetBiz.gov>).

(c) Non-veteran offerors proposing to use service-disabled veteran-owned small businesses or veteran-owned small businesses as subcontractors will receive some consideration under this evaluation factor. Offerors must state in their proposals the names of the SDVOSBs and VOSBs with whom they intend to subcontract and provide a brief description of the proposed subcontracts and the approximate dollar values of the proposed subcontracts. In addition, the proposed subcontractors must be registered and verified in the VetBiz.gov VIP database (<http://www.vetbiz.gov>).

(End of Clause)

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852.215-71 Evaluation factor commitments.

As prescribed in 815.304-71(b), insert the following clause:

EVALUATION FACTOR COMMITMENTS

(DEC 2009)

The offeror agrees, if awarded a contract, to use the service-disabled veteran-owned small businesses or veteran-owned small