RFQ 35252 Audit of the Standard Army Finance System

Questions with Government Responses. 26 May 2004

Question: Are we correct in our assumption that no conflict or independence issue arises out of current work with the ILAP (Integrated Logistics Analysis Program) system that provides reports which use data that comes from STANFINS?

Response: Absent specific information on the ILAP work there is no way of knowing for certain that it does/does not pose an independence issue. As long as the work on ILAP does not influence or is not influenced by one's performance of the audit of STANFINS, there should be no conflict of interest. However, if the audit of STANFINS could in fact or appearance influence or be influenced by the ILAP effort, there would be conflict of independence.

Question: In STANFINS SOW Section 5.1 Methodology, it states that the contractor shall perform the limited scope of audit of STANFINS within the DFAS environment. Is it correct that the 'limited scope audit' required a full SAS 70/88 Type II Report as defined in Sections 5.2.3.1 and 5.2.3.2?

Response: Yes

Question: Section 3.1 Locations states that STANFINS operates in St. Louis, MO and Columbus, OH. Will the contractor need to identify and/or assess other locations based on preliminary assessments as stated in Section 5.2.1.7?

Response: Yes

Question: In light of an upcoming holiday (Memorial Day) and the American Society of Military Comptrollers Conference, it may be in everyone's best interest to allow bidding firms the opportunity to solidify teaming arrangements and technical approaches and extend the proposal due date a few business days. Will the Government grant an extension to Tuesday, June 8th?

Response: No

Question: Is there an incumbent contractor for this work? If yes, who is the contractor?

Response: This is a new requirement.