

DEFENSE LOGISTICS AGENCY THE NATION'S COMBAT LOGISTICS SUPPORT AGENCY







DLA Troop Support Clothing & Textiles COTS Cold Weather Program

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- Stop-gap Program designed around multiple Blanket Purchase Agreements (BPAs) with distributors / OEMs.
- Individual Army and USMC Units can order up to 250k of each group of items per quarter.
- Current BPA Holders: ADS, Darley, Unifire, Danner
- Program currently supports US Army and USMC with 7 groups of items
 - Balaclavas, Boots (Regular & Wide sizes), Gaiters, Gloves, Mittens, Trigger Finger Mittens, and Socks
 - Brands include Outdoor research, Belleville, Danner, Rocky, Darn Tough
 - Material is delivered direct to the customer and is not stocked by DLA
 - These Items are currently being successfully delivered and will support thousands of Soldiers and Marines in FY 20 winter both at home and deployed.



Product Line Overview







Manufacturer: OutDoor Research

FIREBRAND TRIGGER MITTS -USA



Manufacturer: OutDoor Research

WB FS BALACLAVA - USA



Manufacturer: OutDoor Research



Manufacturer: Belleville (C-755)



FIREBRAND TRIGGER MITTS -



Manufacturer: OutDoor Research

EXPEDITION CROCODILES -



Manufacturer: OutDoor Research



Manufacturer: Darn Tough (U4050)



Manufacturer: Rocky (RKC 100)



Manufacturer: Danner (TFX 1200)

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- Current Agreements will last until 4/17/2021. (24 month total)
- Bi-lateral Agreement could extend Agreements up to 36 additional Months if necessary.
- Distributor / OEM must be able to source a majority of items request.
- Alternates are allowed but must be approved before they can be offered under the BPA. Current purchase requests will not be delayed for alternate approval.
- All commercial items are assigned an NSN by size. Any alternate will be added to the NSN as an acceptable part number.
- Units CAN NOT specifically order one brand. Unit must accept any "or equivalent item" approved under the BPA.
- Vendor must provide approved price list valid for 1 year. Vendor can adjust prices down during RFQ phase for competition purposes.





- Alternates can only be submitted to the DLA Contracting Officer through an approved BPA holder via E-mail. Product demonstration model will be requested if initial documents appear to be an acceptable alternate.
- Alternate submissions MUST include a product demonstration model (PDM), salient characteristics of item with picture, part number, and sizes. Any Government or Commercial testing results and a signed Certificate of Conformance for Berry Compliance .
- Additional information can be submitted at contractor's discretion. (ie. User comments, component breakdown, past performance information)
- DLA Contracting Officer, Army CMO, and Army ESA will review all alternate submissions and provide timely response on acceptance or rejection. (Typically within 30 days)





- All purchase requests are grouped by item and unit into lots in an excel spread sheet and sent out via E-mail.
- Vendor will receive the spreadsheet and be given 7-10 days to respond to the E-mail RFQ.
- Once all vendors respond, award of each lot will be made as soon as possible even if it is before the requested return date.
- Only BPA holders are solicited for these orders complying with the FAR Part 13 and FAR Part 6 procedures for fair opporunity. Competition is the desired result of the RFQs.
- Price and Delivery are the typical evaluation factors.



Obligations



- Obligations (FY19) \$10M (May 2019 September 2019)
- Socks 150,000 PR
- Balaclavas 34,000 EA
- Gaiters 27,000 PR
- Boots 6,600 PR
- Gloves 3,500 PR
- TF Mittens 3,000 PR
- FY20 forecast Working with Services to Determine
- FY21 forecast Working with Services to Determine





- Wild Things Brand Gear both FR and NON-FR (Special Operations Customers Only)
- Half Sizes for Boots
- Mountaineering Gear (Possibility)
- US Army Korea and US Army Europe Commands
- US Air Force and US Navy Customers (Possibility)
- Additional Distributors / OEMs for expanded competition
- Transition to more traditional contracting Vehicle with better forecasting
- Commercial cold weather gear requested by the services that C&T does not currently supply for them under a mil-spec. DLA will work with local CMO office to verify each item requested.



Upcoming Opportunities



• No current Purchase Requests







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