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| AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION / MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT | | | CONTRACT ID CODE | PAGE 1 OF 1 PAGES |
| 2. AMENDMENT/MODIFICATION NO. P00001 | 3. EFFECTIVE DATE NOV 6 2001 | 4. REQUISITION/PURCHASE REQ. NO. N/A | 5. PROJECT NO. (If applicable) | |
| 6. ISSUED BY DEFENSE SUPPLY CENTER PHILADELPHIA DIRECTORATE OF SUBSISTENCE, BLDG. 6 700 ROBBINS AVENUE PHILADELPHIA, PA 19111-5092 BUYER/PHONE: PAT SADGWAR/215-737-8324 | CODE SP0300 | 7. ADMINISTERED BY (If other than Item 6) CODE | | |

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| 8. NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONTRACTOR (No. street, county, State and ZIP Code) THE MERCHANTS COMPANY 1100 EDWARDS STREET HATTIESBURG, MW 39401 | 9A. AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION NO. | |
| | 9B. DATED (SEE ITEM 11) | |
| | 10A. MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT/ORDER NO. SP0300-01-D-3018 | 10B. DATED (SEE ITEM 13) 09/18/01 |

11. THIS ITEM ONLY APPLIES TO AMENDMENTS OF SOLICITATIONS

The above-numbered solicitation is amended as set forth in Item 14. The hour and date specified for receipt of Offers is extended, is not extended.

Offer must acknowledge receipt of this amendment prior to the hour and date specified in the solicitation or as amended, by one of the following methods:

(a) By completing Items 8 and 15, and returning _____ copies of the amendment; (b) By acknowledging receipt of this amendment on each copy of the offer submitted; or (c) By separate letter or telegram which includes a reference to the solicitation and amendment number. FAILURE OF YOUR ACKNOWLEDGMENT TO BE RECEIVED AT THE PLACE DESIGNATED FOR THE RECEIPT OF OFFERS PRIOR TO THE HOUR AND DATE SPECIFIED MAY RESULT IN REJECTION OF YOUR OFFER. If by virtue of this amendment you desire to change an offer already submitted, such change may be made by telegram or letter, provided each telegram or letter makes reference to the solicitation and this amendment, and is received prior to the opening hour and date specified.

12. Accounting and Appropriation Data (If required)

13. THIS ITEM APPLIES ONLY TO MODIFICATIONS OF CONTRACTS/ORDERS, IT MODIFIES THE CONTRACT/ORDER NO. AS DESCRIBED IN ITEM 14.

A. THIS CHANGE ORDER IS ISSUED PURSUANT TO: (Specify authority) THE CHANGES SET FORTH IN ITEM 14 ARE MADE IN THE CONTRACT ORDER NO. IN ITEM 10A.

B. THE ABOVE NUMBERED CONTRACT/ORDER IS MODIFIED TO REFLECT THE ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES (such as changes in paying office, appropriation data, etc.) SET FORTH IN ITEM 14, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY OF FAR 43.103(b).

C. THIS SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT IS ENTERED INTO PURSUANT TO AUTHORITY OF:

D. OTHER (Specify type of modification and authority)

E. IMPORTANT: Contractor is not, is required to sign this document and return _____ copies to the issuing office.

14. DESCRIPTION OF AMENDMENT/MODIFICATION (Organized by UCF section headings, including solicitation/contract subject matter where feasible.)

REQUIREMENTS FOR: MISSISSIPPI/LOUISIANA AREA

EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY, THE CONTRACT NUMBER IS HEREBY CHANGED FROM SP0300-01-D-3018 TO SP0300-02-D-3018.

ALL CORRESPONDENCE RELATIVE TO THE CONTRACT, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE WEEKLY 832 CATALOG UPDATES, SHOULD REFLECT THIS CHANGE.

Except as provided herein, all terms and conditions of the document referenced in Item 9A or 10A, as heretofore changed, remains unchanged and in full force and effect.

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| 15A. NAME AND TITLE OF SIGNER (Type or print) | 15A. NAME AND TITLE OF CONTRACTING OFFICER (Type or print) RAYMOND W. POPLAS |
| 15B. CONTRACTOR/OFFEROR (Signature of person authorized to sign) | 15C. DATE SIGNED |
| 15B. CONTRACTOR/OFFEROR 7540-01-152-9070 7US EDITION UNUSABLE | 15C. DATE SIGNED |
| 16B. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BY <i>Raymond W. Poplas</i> (Signature of Contracting Officer) | 16C. DATE SIGNED 11/6/01 |