

<del>AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION</del> /MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT		1. CONTRACT ID CODE	PAGE 1 OF 3 PAGES
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2. <del>AMENDMENT</del> /MODIFICATION NO. P00004	3. EFFECTIVE DATE DEC 06 2002	4. REQUISITION/PURCHASE REQ. NO. N/A	5. PROJECT NO. (If applicable)
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6. ISSUED BY DEFENSE SUPPLY CENTER PHILADELPHIA DIRECTORATE OF SUBSISTENCE, BLDG. 6 700 ROBBINS AVENUE PHILADELPHIA, PA 19111-5092 BUYER/PHONE: PAT SADGWAR/215-737-4684	CODE SPO300	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 P.O. BOX 1351 HATTIESBURG, MS 39403-1351	(X) 9A. AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION NO.
	9B. DATED (SEE ITEM 11)
	10A. MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT/ORDER NO. SP0300-03-D-3018
	10B. DATED (SEE ITEM 13) 09/18/01

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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 numbers. 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.

(X) 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 date, etc.) SET FORTH IN ITEM 14, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY OF FAR 43.103(b).
(X) C. THIS SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT IS ENTERED INTO PURSUANT TO AUTHORITY OF: FAR 52.217-9P12, OPTION FOR INDEFINITE DELIVERY CONTRACT TERM EXTENSION (JAN 1992) DSCP
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

THE ABOVE REFERENCED CONTRACT IS HEREBY MODIFIED AS FOLLOWS:  
EXERCISE OPTION TO EXTEND PERFORMANCE FOR THE PERIOD 15 DECEMBER 2002 THROUGH 19 DECEMBER 2003.  
ESTIMATED TOTAL DOLLAR VALUE IS \$12.2 MILLION DOLLARS. NEW CONTRACT PRICING WILL BE EFFECTIVE ON 15 DECEMBER 2002.

PAGE 2 + 3 SENSITIVE INFO

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.

15A. NAME AND TITLE OF SIGNER (Type or print)	16A. NAME AND TITLE OF CONTRACTING OFFICER (Type or print) RAYMOND W. POPLAS
15B. CONTRACTOR/OFFEROR	16B. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BY <i>Raymond W. Poplas</i> (Signature of Contracting Officer)
15C. DATE SIGNED	16C. DATE SIGNED 12/6/02