

Jacket: 618-721
Title: CMH PUB 69-6-1, Army History and Heritage
Agency: US ARMY 3711-02
Bid opening: October 11, 2022 at 11:00 a.m., prevailing Eastern Standard Time

| Contractor Name | Agency | Quantity Bid | Bid | Terms | Discount |
|-------------------|--------------|---------------|---------------------|-------------|---------------------|
| District Creative | US ARMY | 24,629 | \$113,881.00 | 2 % 20 days | \$111,603.38 |
| | GPO Rider | 399 | \$1,640.00 | 2 % 20 days | \$1,607.20 |
| | Total | 25,028 | \$115,521.00 | | \$113,210.58 |
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Specifications by LU
Reviewed by RG

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BID OPENING: Bids shall be opened at **11:00 a.m.**, prevailing Eastern Standard Time **October 11, 2022** at the U.S. Government Publishing Office. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic this will NOT be a public bid opening.

ANY QUESTIONS BEFORE AWARD CONCERNING THESE SPECIFICATIONS CALL Ledo Ulerio (757) 490-7943 AFTER AWARD, REFER ALL QUESTIONS TO YOUR CONTRACT ADMINISTRATOR WHOSE NAME APPEARS IN THE UPPER PORTION OF THE PURCHASE ORDER. NO COLLECT CALLS.

BID SUBMISSION: Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the physical office will not be open. Bidders MUST submit email bids to bidsmidatlantic@gpo.gov for this solicitation. No other method of bid submission will be accepted at this time. The jacket number and bid opening date must be specified in the subject line of the emailed bid submission. Bids received after 11:00 a.m. on the bid opening date specified above will not be considered for award.

PRODUCTION AREA: RESTRICTION ON LOCATION OF PRODUCTION FACILITIES: All production facilities used in the manufacture of the product(s) ordered under this contract must be located within a 60-mile radius of zip code 20319.

ADDITIONAL EMAILED BID SUBMISSION PROVISIONS: The Government will not be responsible for any failure attributable to the transmission or receipt of the emailed bid including, but not limited to, the following:

- 1) Illegibility of bid.
- 2) Emails over 75 MB may not be received by GPO due to size limitations for receiving emails.
- 3) The bidder's email provider may have different size limitations for sending email; however, bidders are advised not to exceed GPO's stated limit.
- 4) When the email bid is received by GPO, it will remain unopened until the specified bid opening time. Government personnel will not validate receipt of the emailed bid prior to bid opening. GPO will use the prevailing time (specified as the local time zone) and the exact time that the email is received by GPO's email server as the official time stamp for bid receipt at the specified location.

OFFERS: This is a fixed-price contract. The bidder submitting a response shall bid the maximum quantity, inclusive of all costs (including non-reimbursable mail, if applicable), that shall be delivered to the Government per the specification requirements for a total of \$113,881.00. In addition, the bidder submitting a response shall bid a separate additional price for the 399 copies required for the Superintendent of Documents (SuDocs).

The price for the SuDocs quantity shall be based on a continuing run of the quantity produced for the Government, exclusive of all basic or preliminary charges.

Bids shall include the cost of all materials and operations for the total quantity ordered. Bids shall be prepared in conformance with the Schedule of Prices.

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DETERMINATION OF AWARD: Award shall be made to the responsible bidder submitting a bid, whose bid conforming to the solicitation, provides the lowest, overall cost per copy to the Government, including prompt payment discount if applicable. The lowest, overall cost per copy shall be calculated by dividing the total price (total calculated by adding the \$113,881.00 plus the total bid pricing for the SuDocs quantity) by the total number of copies to be delivered (total calculated by adding the bid number of copies to be delivered to the Government plus the 399 of copies to be delivered to SuDocs). See Schedule of Prices. In the event of a tie cost per copy, award shall be determined by the lowest, total per-unit price after application of prompt payment discount and Buy American Act factoring (if applicable). In the event there is still a tie, the contract will be awarded in accordance with the GPO Printing Procurement Regulations, Chapter XII.

Additionally, the bid shall include separate unit pricing for each 1,000 copies.

If author's alterations are made during the proofing stage, the total quantity may be decreased in accordance with the contractor's submitted additional rate to offset the cost of the author's alterations.

Note: Bidders are to fill out, sign/initial, as applicable, and return page 8.

The jacket number and bid opening date must be specified with the emailed bid submission. Refer to Facsimile Bids in Solicitation Provisions of GPO Contract Terms, GPO Publication 310.2, as revised January, 2018.

For information regarding the solicitation requirements prior to award, email Ledo Ulerio at lulerio@gpo.gov For contract administration after award, contact Ledo Ulerio at (757) 490-7943.

GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

GPO CONTRACT TERMS: Any contract which results from this Invitation for Bid will be subject to the applicable provisions, clauses, and supplemental specifications of GPO Contract Terms (GPO Publication 310.2, effective December 1, 1987 (Rev. 01-18)) and GPO Contract Terms, Quality Assurance Through Attributes Program for Printing and Binding (GPO Publication 310.1, effective May 1979 (Rev. 09-19)).

GPO Contract Terms (GPO Publication 310.2) –

<https://www.gpo.gov/docs/default-source/forms-and-standards-files-for-vendors/contractterms2018.pdf>.

GPO QATAP (GPO Publication 310.1) –

<https://www.gpo.gov/docs/default-source/forms-and-standards-files-for-vendors/qatap-rev-09-19.pdf>.

PREAWARD SURVEY: In order to determine the responsibility of the prime contractor, the Government reserves the right to conduct an on-site pre-award survey at the contractor's/subcontractor's facility or to require other evidence of technical, production, managerial, financial, and similar abilities to perform, prior to the award of a contract. As part of the financial determination, the contractor in line for award may be required to provide one or more of the following financial documents:

- 1) Most recent profit and loss statement
- 2) Most recent balance sheet
- 3) Statement of cash flows
- 4) Current official bank statement
- 5) Current lines of credit (with amounts available)
- 6) Letter of commitment from paper supplier(s)

The documents will be reviewed to validate that adequate financial resources are available to perform the contract requirements. Documents submitted will be kept confidential, and used only for the determination of responsibility by the Government. Failure to provide the requested information in the time specified by the Government may result in the Contracting Officer not having adequate information to reach an affirmative determination of responsibility.

NOTE: Prior to award the apparent low vendor must be able to show ability to produce the product in question and may be asked to supply samples of similar items.

PAYMENT: Submitting invoices for payment via the GPO fax gateway (if no samples are required) utilizing the GPO barcode coversheet program application is the most efficient method of invoicing. Instruction for using this method can be found at the following web address:

<http://winapps.access.gpo.gov/fms/vouchers/barcode/instructions.html>

Invoices may also be mailed to: U.S. Government Publishing Office, Office of Financial Management, Attn: Comptroller, Stop: FMCE, Washington, DC 20401.

For more information about the billing process refer to the General Information of the Office of Finance web page located at <https://www.gpo.gov/how-to-work-with-us/vendors/how-to-get-paid>

Vendors are expected to submit invoices within 15 days of job shipping/delivery.

MODS: If any additional costs are incurred during the production of this job due to Government action (i.e. AAs), contractor is REQUIRED to submit written request to the Printing Specialist for written approval BEFORE proceeding.

Only a warranted GPO Contracting Officer acting within their appointed limits, has the authority to issue modifications or otherwise change the terms and conditions of this contract. If an individual other than the GPO Contracting Officer attempts to make changes to the terms and conditions of this contract, you shall not proceed

with the change and shall immediately notify the GPO Contracting Officer. Proceeding with any work not authorized by the GPO Contracting Officer will be at the Contractor's own risk.

CONTRACTOR TO FURNISH: All materials and operations, other than those listed under "Government to Furnish," necessary to produce the product in accordance with these specifications.

GOVERNMENT TO FURNISH: Purchase Order, APD form 128, distro list and InDesign files will be emailed to contractor after award NLT October 14th, 2022.

PREFLIGHT: Prior to image processing, the contractor shall perform a basic check (preflight) of the furnished media and publishing files to assure correct output of the required reproduction image. Any errors, media damage, or data corruption that might interfere with proper file image processing must be reported to Lulero@gpo.gov.

The contractor shall create any necessary trapping, set proper screen angles and screen frequency, and define file output selection for the imaging device being utilized. Furnished files must be imaged as necessary to meet the assigned quality level.

When required by the Government, the contractor shall make minor revisions to the electronic files. It is anticipated that the Government will make all major revisions.

Upon completion, the contractor must furnish final production native application files with the furnished material. The digital deliverables must be an exact representation of the final printed product and shall be returned on the same type of storage media as was originally furnished. The Government will not accept, as digital deliverables, PostScript files, or any proprietary file formats other than those supplied, unless specified by the Government.

PRODUCT: Quality Level II Perfect bound book printed in 4cp.

QUANTITY: As many as possible for \$113,881.00

TITLE: CMH PUB 69-6-1, Army History and Heritage

PAGES: 316 text pages plus 4 covers.

TRIM: 6" x 9"

DESCRIPTION:

Print from the provided InDesign files. Covers print head to head, 4CP with a flood matte aqueous to outside covers. All covers print. Full Bleed Text pages print 4CP, full bleed, head to head. Perfect bind along the left 9" side.

RESTRICTION ON LOCATION OF PRODUCTION FACILITIES: All production facilities used in the manufacture of the product(s) ordered under this contract must be located within a 60-mile radius of zip code 20319.

SUBCONTRACTING: The predominant production functions will be printing. Any contractor who cannot perform the predominant production functions will be declared non-responsible.

SCHEDULE:

Unscheduled material such as shipping documents, receipts or instructions, delivery lists, labels, etc., will be furnished with the order or shortly thereafter. In the event such information is not received in due time, the contractor will not be relieved of any responsibility in meeting the shipping schedule because of failure to request such information.

STOCK: The specifications of all paper furnished must be in accordance with those listed herein or listed for the corresponding JCP Code numbers in the *Government Paper Specification Standards, No. 13*, dated September 2019.

TEXT: Matte-Coated Text, (basis weight: 70 lbs. Basis Size 25 X 38"), equal to JCP Code A240.

COVER: – No. 1 Gloss-Coated Cover (basis weigh 80lbs. Basic Size 20 X 26", equal to JCP Code L11.

INK: 4CP

DISTRIBUTION: Deliver f.o.b. destination By **November 10,2022**. Ship all destinations by traceable means. All expenses incidental to picking up and returning materials and samples must be borne by the contractor.

Order will ship to 5 different locations:

5,074 copies to St. louis, MO 63114 – this is a fixed quantity

509 copies to Washington, DC 20319 – this is a fixed quantity

389 copies to Laurel, MD 20707-4986 – this is a fixed quantity

10 copies to Washington, DC 20540 – this is a fixed quantity

Remaining balance to Fort Jackson, SC 29207 – this quantity TBD

Complete distribution list will be available after award.

PROOF:

*PDF Proof:

Contractor to submit one Press Quality PDF soft proof (for content only) using the same Raster Image Processor (RIP) that will be used to produce the final printed product. PDF proof will be evaluated for text flow, image position, and color breaks. Proof will not be used for color match. Include REMINDER that agency can keep proof Two (2) workdays. Date of receipt is NOT considered first workday.

Contractor must call Teri Wood at 703.545.6641 to confirm receipt.

Email PDF to: teri.d.wood.civ@army.mil and Lulerio@gpo.gov.

After PDF is approve sent:

2 sets of inkjet proofs that are G7 profiled and use pigment-based inks. A proofing RIP that provides an option for high quality color matching (such as Device Links Technology and/or ICC Profiles Technology), and meets or exceeds industry tolerance to ISO 12647-7 Standard for Graphic Technology (as of 3/19/09, and future amendments) must be utilized plus GRACoL 2006 Coated #1 specifications (CGATS TR006) must be achieved. Output must be a minimum of 720 x 720 dpi on a GRACoL or SWOP certified proofing media. Proofs must contain the following color control strip to be evaluated for accuracy: IDEAlliance ISO 12647-7 Control Strip 2009 or 2013(i1).

Proofs must contain color control bars (such as Brunner, GATF, GRETAG, or RIT) for each color of ink on the sheet. Control bars must be placed parallel to the press's ink rollers and must show areas consisting of minimum 1/8 x 1/8" solid color patches; tint patches of 25, 50 and 75%; dot gain scale; and gray balance patches for process color (if applicable). These areas must be repeated consecutively across the sheet.

The make and model number of the proofing system utilized shall be furnished with the proofs. These proofs must contain all elements, be in press configuration, and indicate margins. Proofs will be used for color match on press. Direct to plate must be used to produce the final product with a minimum of 2400 x 2400 dpi.

Send the inkjet proofs to:

US Army CMH,

102 4th Avenue, Bldg. 35, Rm 170,

Fort McNair, Washington, DC 20319-5058

Attn: C Bratten 202-685-2702

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PRESS SHEET INSPECTION: Final makeready press sheets will be inspected and approved at the contractor's plant for the purpose of establishing specified standards for use during the actual press run. Upon approval of the sheets, contractor is charged with maintaining those standards throughout the press run (within QATAP tolerances when applicable) and with discarding all makeready sheets that preceded approval. See GPO Publication 315.3 (Guidelines for Contractors Holding Press Sheet Inspections) issued January 2015. NOTE: A press sheet inspection is for the purpose of setting specific standards that are to be maintained throughout the entire run. It does not constitute a prior approval of the entire run.

Press sheets must contain control bars for each color of ink on the sheet. Control bars must be placed parallel to the press's ink rollers. The control bars (such as BRUNNER, GATF, GRETAG, or RIT) must show areas consisting of 1/8 x 1/8 minimum solid color patches; tint patches of 25, 50, and 75%; dot gain scale; and gray balance patches for process color (if applicable). These areas must be repeated across the entire press sheet.

Viewing Light: Press sheets will be viewed under controlled conditions with 5000 degrees Kelvin overhead luminaries. The viewing conditions must conform to ISO 3664-2009; a viewing booth under controlled conditions with 5000 degrees Kelvin overhead luminaries with neutral gray surroundings must be provided.

Contact Gene Snyder at (202) 685-2342, carl.e.snyder.civ@army.mil to attend the press inspection. Press sheet inspection required. Call above with 72 hours notice.

PACKING/PALLETIZING:

Use provided shipping label APD form 128
Pallets of 40" (L) X 48" (W) assembled flush with 4 stringers.
Pallets must be 4-way (partial) with full entry on 48" width.
Cartons must be fastened securely to pallets.
Height of full pallet must not exceed 55".
Cartons must be 275 psi bursting strength.
Cartons must be packed solidly; not to exceed 45 lbs.
White labels with black image of bold, 1/4" height entries.
Inner packages require labels.

NOTE: Shipments to U.S. Army Distribution center in St. Louis, MO, must be palletized with a minimum of a 19 mm (3/4") void, on all sides, to the outside of the pallet. Failure to properly palletize may be cause for re-palletizing at contractor's expense. See GPO Contract Terms.

NOTIFICATION OF SHIPMENT: Contractor must notify the ordering agency on the same day that the product ships/delivers via e-mail sent to teri.d.wood.civ@army.mil and lulerio@gpo.gov. The subject line of this message shall be Distribution Notice for Jacket 618-721. The notice must provide all applicable tracking numbers, shipping method, and Title. Contractor must be able to provide copies of all delivery, mailing, and shipping receipts upon agency request.

Deliver Order to:

Complete distribution list will be available after award.

QUALITY ASSURANCE LEVELS AND STANDARDS: The following levels and standards shall apply to these specifications:

Product Quality Levels:

- (a) Printing Attributes -- Level 2
- (b) Finishing Attributes -- Level 2
- (c) Exceptions: None

Inspection Levels (from ANSI/ASQC Z1.4):

- (a) Non-destructive Tests - General Inspection Level 1.
- (b) Destructive Tests - Special Inspection Level S-2.

Specified Standards: The specified standards for the attributes requiring them shall be:

| ATTRIBUTE | SPECIFIED STANDARD |
|--|--------------------|
| P-7. Type Quality and Uniformity | *O.K. Press Sheets |
| P-8. Halftone Match (Single and Double Impression) | *O.K. Press Sheets |
| P-9. Solid or Screen Tints Color Match | *O.K. Press Sheets |
| P-10. Process Color Match | *O.K. Press Sheets |

Bidders must fill out this page and return it.

| | Quantity | Price |
|--|----------|--------------|
| US Army..... | _____ | \$113,881.00 |
| Superintendent of Documents. <u>399 Copies</u> | _____ | \$ _____ |
| Total Quantity and Total Price..... | _____ | \$ _____ |
| Additional 1,000 copies \$ | _____ | |

DISCOUNTS: Discounts are offered for payment as follows: _____ Percent, _____ calendar days. See Article 12 "Discounts" of Solicitation Provisions in GPO Contract Terms (Publication 310.2).

AMENDMENT(S): Bidder hereby acknowledges amendment(s) number(ed) _____

BID ACCEPTANCE PERIOD: In compliance with the above, the undersigned agree, if this bid is accepted within _____ calendar days (60 calendar days unless a different period is inserted by the bidder) from the date for receipt of bids, to furnish the specified items at the price set opposite each item, delivered at the designated points(s), in exact accordance with specifications.

NOTE: Failure to provide a 60-day bid acceptance period may result in expiration of the bid prior to award.

BIDDER'S NAME AND SIGNATURE: Unless specific written exception is taken, the bidder, by signing and submitting a bid, agrees with and accepts responsibility for all certifications and representations as required by the solicitation and GPO Contract Terms – Publication 310.2. When responding by email, fill out and return one completed copy of all applicable pages that include the Jacket Number, Bid Price, Additional Rate, Discounts, Amendments, Bid Acceptance Period, and Bidder's Name and Signature, including signing where indicated. Valid electronic signatures will be accepted in accordance with the Uniform Electronic Transactions Act, § 2. Electronic signatures must be verifiable of the person authorized by the company to sign bids.

Failure to sign the signature block below may result in the bid being declared non-responsive

Bidder _____
(Contractor Name) (GPO Contractor's Code)

(Street Address)

(City – State – Zip Code)

By _____
(Printed Name, Signature, and Title of Person Authorized to Sign this Bid) (Date)

(Person to be Contacted) (Telephone Number) (Email)

THIS SECTION FOR GPO USE ONLY

Certified by: _____ Date: _____ Contracting Officer: _____ Date: _____
(Initials) (Initials)
