

QUESTION

ANSWER

<p>What contracting opportunities specifically for cultural resource services, may be expected at ACC-RI and other locations within the ACC-RI AOR?</p>	<p>The most recent projects that were completed at RIA were for Cornice Repairs to Historical buildings, as well as small sealing treatments of the Limestone and Sandstone buildings. Similar services can be expected in the future.</p>
<p>What contract opportunities for engineering and/or environmental professional services that include a cultural resource component may be expected at ACC-RI and other locations within the ACC-RI AOR?</p>	<p>Services mainly consist of Masonry Assessments and Archaeological Surveys. These projects are usually under the simplified acquisition threshold and are processed as Individual Job Orders under the Base Operations contracts.</p>
<p>Are forecasts of FY16 and FY17 contract opportunities at ACC-RI, and other locations within the ACC-RI AOR available for engineering and/or environmental professional services?</p>	<p>At this time there are not any services-based projects planned in FY 16 and FY 17 with a cultural resources management focus.</p>
<p>Does ACC-RI oversee many developmental, qualification, or production testing projects, most likely under the 541380 NAICS code?</p>	<p>The organic industrial base sites have the capability to conduct their own testing. They do however contract out calibration and maintenance services for their testing equipment</p>
<p>What is the best way to provide information to project and production managers on product and service solution offerings (specifically with regards to electrical distribution gear, automation, power monitoring, communications, lighting/controls, PPE, engineered solutions, vendor managed inventory) and how to direct small business partners to these resources?</p>	<p>The best way for vendors to provide information is to contact the ASC small business office and utilize them as a portal and funnel through them any capabilities they have. The website for the ASC Small Business Office is: http://www.aschq.army.mil/home/SmallBusiness.aspx.</p>
<p>Will the RIA-NEC be competed under the IMCS3 in the future?</p>	<p>ACC-RI is currently working on bridging the existing RIA NEC IT Helpdesk Support contract, allowing time to recompet the requirement. The acquisition strategy for the follow has not yet been set.</p>
<p>With an anticipated 30%-40% of Govt employees retiring in the next five years, what is the Government doing about workforce development?</p>	<p>We have several programs in place for workforce development which include but are not limited too: Department of Army Intern Program, 852 Intern Program, Pathways Intern program, etc. In addition, the JMTC has a robust training program for journeymen.</p>
<p>Is the Government receptive to working with industry and community colleges to look at registered apprenticeships as a talent pipeline mechanism?</p>	<p>Yes we are. We would like to see local/regional colleges offer Defense Acquisition University (DAU) Courses for certification in Acquisition as well as minors or other speciality degrees in Government Contracting.</p>
<p>Procurement opportunities for qualified women owned businesses? Needs of the Rock Island Arsenal in the next year? Overview of the facility?</p>	<p>Set-asides are looked at on a case-by-case basis for each procurement action. The decision on how best to compete actions is based upon market research.</p>
<p>Is Rock Island Contracting familiar with the Federal Government's initiative for each branch of the Government to have a Strategic Sourcing Plan? What steps is Rock Island taking towards Strategic Sourcing?</p>	<p>Wherever possible, ACC-RI utilizes strategic sourcing initiatives.</p>
<p>How familiar is Rock Island Contracting with GSA's FSSI BPA's for MRO and Janitorial.</p>	<p>Some of the sites use FSSI PBAs for Maintenance Repair and Operations (MRO) For instance, Crane is utilizing FSSI for 3M products, as well as respirators, filters and clean room coveralls. They have also utilized it for hardware items such as nails, screws, washers, etc. We are not aware of any site using the FSSI Janitorial and Sanitation supplies BPAs.</p>
<p>Is Rock Island Contracting familiar with the Secretary of the Army's endorsement of FSSI as a preferred channel for procurement as well as meeting the requirements of a Strategic Sourcing Plan?</p>	<p>Yes, ACC-RI is aware of FSSI and utilizes several of the initiatives. In addition, wherever possible, ACC-RI utilizes some of the DoD and Army sourcing initiatives, as well. Examples utilized by ACC-RI include CHESS, NEXGEN, etc.</p>
<p>Does Rock Island Contracting or any units utilize DOD Email as a purchasing portal?</p>	<p>Yes we use Email. It is one of the mandatory sources that we use when buying office supplies.</p>
<p>When there is a hold up with WAWF processing invoices (especially a proper invoice), how do we get details on the issue so that we may correct going forward?</p>	<p>The vendor should refer to the ACC-RI WAWF Clause (252.232-7006) in the contract to verify the correct information is contained in the invoice. Information in this clause states which invoice document should be used as well as the applicable invoice routing information. After the vendor has verified the information in the invoice against the clause, they should check to see if the invoice is in a "Processed" status within iRAPT. If the invoice is in a "Processed" status, the vendor should then contact DFAS (dfas.gov). After contacting DFAS, the vendor should contact the Contract Specialist on the contract.</p>