



# U.S. District Court, District of Montana

## Lowest Price, Technically Acceptable Request for Quotation No. MTD-2020-03

The U.S. District Court for the District of Montana (hereinafter referred to as MTD) is requesting quotations for FTR products or equivalent for digital recording of courtroom proceedings **open market**:

Description	Quantity
FTR Gold Recording Suite 6.x	9
FTR Annotator 6.x	9
*x the most current version of software available at the time of purchase	
Equivalent software quoted <b>must</b> be able to seal selected proceedings or portions of recordings to be technically acceptable.	

SUBMIT QUOTATIONS TO		
Project Name:	MTD FTR 2020 MTD-2020-03	Date: July 23, 2020
Contracting Officer (CO) Contact:	Gretchen Jendro (406) 454-7823 <a href="mailto:gretchen_jendro@mtp.uscourts.gov">gretchen_jendro@mtp.uscourts.gov</a>	
Response Due Date:	<b>Quotations due by 3:00 PM (Mountain time) on Friday, August 7, 2020</b>	

### Brand Name or Equal (APR 2013)

(a) One or more items called for by this solicitation have been identified by a brand-name-or-equal product description. Offers offering equal products will be considered for award if these products are clearly identified and are determined by the judiciary to contain all of the essential characteristics of the brand-name products referenced in the solicitation.

(b) Unless the offeror clearly indicates in the offer that the offer is for an equal product, the offer will be considered as offering a brand-name product referenced in the solicitation.

(c) If the offeror proposes to furnish an equal product, the brand name and model or catalog number, if any, of the product to be furnished shall be inserted in the space provided in the solicitation. The evaluation of offers and the determination as to equality of the product offered will be based on information furnished by the offeror or identified in the offer, as well as other information reasonably available to the purchasing activity. The purchasing activity is not responsible for locating or obtaining any information not identified in the offer and reasonably available to the purchasing activity. Accordingly, to ensure that sufficient information is available, the offeror shall furnish as a part of the offer:

(1) all descriptive material (such as cuts, illustrations, drawings, or other information) necessary for the purchasing activity to establish exactly what the offeror proposes to furnish and to determine whether the product offered meets the requirements of the solicitation; or

(2) specific references to information previously furnished or to information otherwise available to the purchasing activity to permit a determination as to equality of the product offered.

(3) If the offeror proposes to modify a product so as to make it conform to the requirements of the solicitation, the offeror shall:

- (i) Include in the offer a clear description of the proposed modifications; and
- (ii) Clearly mark any descriptive material to show the proposed modifications.

#### **Solicitation Provisions Incorporated by Reference (SEP 2010)**

This solicitation incorporates one or more solicitation provisions by reference, with the same force and effect as if they were given in full text. Upon request, the contracting officer will make their full text available. The offeror is cautioned that the listed provisions may include blocks that must be completed by the offeror and submitted with its quotation or offer. In lieu of submitting the full text of those provisions, the offeror may identify the provision by paragraph identifier and provide the appropriate information with its quotation or offer. Also, the full text of a solicitation provision may be accessed electronically at this address:

<http://www.uscourts.gov/procurement.aspx>.

#### **Clauses Incorporated by Reference (SEP 2010)**

This contract incorporates one or more clauses by reference, with the same force and effect as if they were given in full text. Upon request, the contracting officer will make their full text available. Also, the full text of a clause may be accessed electronically at this address: <http://www.uscourts.gov/procurement.aspx>.

#### **Provisions, Clauses, Terms and Conditions - Small Purchases (JUN 2014)**

(a) The following provisions are incorporated by reference into the request for quotations (RFQ):

- (1) [Provision 3-70, Determination of Responsibility](#) (JAN 2003)
- (2) [Provision 3-210, Protests](#) (JUN 2014)
- (3) [Provision 7-60, Judiciary-Furnished Property or Services](#) (JAN 2003)

(b) The contractor shall comply with the following clauses incorporated by reference:

- (1) [Clause 1-15, Disclosure of Contractor Information to the Public](#) (AUG 2004)
- (2) [Clause 2-60, Stop-Work Order](#) (JAN 2010)
- (3) [Clause 3-205, Protest After Award](#) (JAN 2003)
- (4) [Clause 7-20, Security Requirements](#) (APR 2013)
- (5) [Clause 7-30, Public Use of the Name of the Federal Judiciary](#) (JUN 2014)
- (6) [Clause 7-35, Disclosure or Use of Information](#) (APR 2013)
- (7) [Clause 7-85, Examination of Records](#) (JAN 2003)
- (8) [Clause 7-125, Invoices](#) (APR 2011)
- (9) [Clause 7-130, Interest \(Prompt Payment\)](#) (JAN 2003)
- (10) [Clause 7-135, Payments](#) (JAN 2003) (Payment means acceptance by the inclusion of this clause.)
- (11) [Clause 7-140, Discounts for Prompt Payment](#) (JAN 2003)
- (12) [Clause 7-150, Extras](#) (JAN 2003)
- (13) [Clause 7-185, Changes](#) (APR 2013)
- (14) [Clause 7-200, Judiciary Delay of Work](#) (JAN 2003) (Applies for products and fixed-price services.)
- (15) [Clause 7-210, Payment for Emergency Closures](#) (APR 2013)
- (16) [Clause 7-235, Disputes](#) (JAN 2003)

(c) The contractor shall comply with the following clauses, incorporated by reference, unless the stated circumstances do not apply:

- (1) [Clause B-20, Computer Generated Forms](#) (JAN 2003) (Applies when the contractor is required to submit data on standard or optional forms.)
- (2) [Clause 6-60, Rights in Data - General](#) (JUN 2012) (Applies if data will be produced, furnished, or acquired under the purchase order.)
- (3) [Clause 7-145, Government Purchase Card](#) (JAN 2003) (Applies when the CO determines that the purchase card can be used to make payments.)
- (4) [Clause 2-115, Terms for Commercial Advance Payment of Purchases](#) (APR 2013) (Applies if advance payment will be authorized.)
- (5) [Clause 2-115, Alt I](#) (OCT 2006) (Applies if advance payment is authorized for photocopy equipment maintenance.)
- (6) The following apply to products only:

- (a) [Clause 2-25A, Delivery Terms and Contractor's Responsibilities](#) (JAN 2003) (Purchase order will specify whether delivery is expected at destination or origin.)
  - (b) [Clause 2-45, Packaging and Marking](#) (AUG 2004) (Applies to fixed-price contracts for products or for a service involving furnishing of products.)
  - (c) [Clause 3-155, Walsh-Healey Public Contracts Act](#) (JUN 2012) (Applies to purchase orders over \$15,000 for the manufacturing or furnishing of products in the United States, Puerto Rico, or the U.S. Virgin Islands.)
- (7) The following apply to services only:
- (a) [Clause 1-1, Employment by the Government](#) (JAN 2003)
  - (b) [Clause 1-5, Conflict of Interest](#) (AUG 2004)
  - (c) [Clause 3-160, Service Contract Labor Standards](#) (MAR 2019) (Applies to any purchase order over \$2,500, the principal purpose of which is to furnish services through the use of service employees for work to be performed in the United States, Puerto Rico, Guam, or the U.S. Virgin Islands, **except** where [Clause 3-215, Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Labor Standards to Contracts for Maintenance, Calibration, or Repair of Certain Equipment - Requirements](#), or [Clause 3-225, Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Labor Standards to Contracts for Certain Services - Requirements](#) apply. See (7)(g) and (7)(h) below.)
  - (d) [Clause 7-40, Judiciary-Contractor Relationship](#) (JAN 2003) (Applies to services when not involving judiciary information technology funds.)
  - (e) [Clause 7-65, Protection of Judiciary Buildings, Equipment and Vegetation](#) (APR 2013) (Applies when services are performed at a judiciary building.)
  - (f) [Clause 7-205, Payment for Judiciary Holidays](#) (APR 2013) (Applies to time-and-materials or labor-hour contracts.)
  - (g) [Clause 3-215, Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Labor Standards to Contracts for Maintenance, Calibration, or Repair of Certain Equipment – Requirements](#) (MAR 2019) (Applies if the request for quotation included [Provision 3-195](#) and the contractor certified its compliance with the conditions stated in the provision.)
  - (h) [Clause 3-225, Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Labor Standards to Contracts for Certain Services – Requirements](#) (MAR 2019) (Applies if the request for quotation included [Provision 3-220](#) and the contractor certified its compliance with the conditions stated in the provision.)

(d) Inspection/Acceptance - The contractor shall tender for acceptance only those products and/or services that conform to the requirements of this contract. The judiciary reserves the right to inspect or test any products or services that have been tendered for acceptance. The judiciary may require repair or replacement of nonconforming products or re-performance of nonconforming services at no increase in contract price. The judiciary must exercise these rights:

- (1) within a reasonable period of time after the defect or non-conformance was discovered or should have been discovered; and
- (2) before any substantial change occurs in the condition of the item, unless the change is due to the defect in the item.

(e) Excusable Delays - The contractor shall be liable for default unless nonperformance is caused by an occurrence beyond the reasonable control of the contractor and without its fault or negligence, such as acts of God or the public enemy, acts of the government in either its sovereign or contractual capacity, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, strikes, unusually severe weather, and delays of common carriers. The contractor shall notify the contracting officer in writing as soon as it is reasonably possible after the commencement of any excusable delay, setting forth the full particulars in connection therewith, shall remedy such occurrence with all reasonable dispatch, and shall promptly give written notice to the contracting officer of the cessation of such occurrence.

(f) Termination for the Judiciary's Convenience - The judiciary reserves the right to terminate this contract, or any part hereof, for its sole convenience. In the event of such termination, the contractor shall immediately stop all work hereunder and shall immediately cause any and all of its suppliers and subcontractors to cease work. Subject to the terms of this contract, the contractor shall be paid a percentage of the contract price reflecting the percentage of the work performed prior to the notice of termination, plus reasonable charges that the contractor can demonstrate to the satisfaction of the judiciary, using its standard record keeping system, have resulted from the termination. The contractor shall not be required to comply with the cost accounting standards or contract cost principles for this purpose. This paragraph does not give the judiciary any right to audit the contractor's records. The contractor shall not be paid for any work performed or costs incurred that reasonably could have been avoided.

(g) Termination for Cause - The judiciary may terminate this contract, or any part hereof, for cause in the event of any default by the contractor, or if the contractor fails to comply with any contract terms and conditions, or fails to provide the judiciary,

upon request, with adequate assurances of future performance. In the event of termination for cause, the judiciary shall not be liable to the contractor for any amount for products or services not accepted, and the contractor shall be liable to the judiciary for any and all rights and remedies provided by law. If it is determined that the judiciary improperly terminated this contract for default, such termination shall be deemed a termination for convenience.

(h) Warranty - The contractor warrants and implies that the items delivered hereunder are merchantable and fit for use for the particular purpose described in this contract.

### **Taxpayer Identification and Other Offeror Information (APR 2011)**

(a) Definitions.

"Taxpayer Identification (TIN)," as used in this provision, means the number required by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) to be used by the offeror in reporting income tax and other returns. The TIN may be either a social security number or an employer identification number.

(b) All offerors shall submit the information required in paragraphs (d) and (e) of this provision to comply with debt collection requirements of [31 U.S.C. §§ 7701\(c\)](#) and [3325\(d\)](#), reporting requirements of [26 U.S.C. §§ 6041, 6041A](#), and implementing regulations issued by the IRS. If the resulting contract is subject to the payment reporting requirements, the failure or refusal by the offeror to furnish the information may result in a 31 percent reduction of payments otherwise due under the contract.

(c) The TIN may be used by the government to collect and report on any delinquent amounts arising out of the offeror's relationship with the government ([31 U.S.C. § 7701\(c\)\(3\)](#)). If the resulting contract is subject to payment recording requirements, the TIN provided hereunder may be matched with IRS records to verify the accuracy of the offeror's TIN.

(d) Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN): \_\_\_\_\_

TIN has been applied for.

TIN is not required, because:

Offeror is a nonresident alien, foreign corporation or foreign partnership that does not have income effectively connected with the conduct of a trade or business in the United States and does not have an office or place of business or a fiscal paying agent in the United States;

Offeror is an agency or instrumentality of a foreign government;

Offeror is an agency or instrumentality of the federal government.

(e) Type of Organization:

sole proprietorship;

partnership;

corporate entity (not tax-exempt);

corporate entity (tax-exempt);

government entity (federal, state or local);

foreign government;

international organization per [26 CFR 1.6049-4](#);

other

(f) Contractor representations.

The offeror represents as part of its offer that it is [\_\_\_], is not [\_\_\_] 51% owned and the management and daily operations are controlled by one or more members of the selected socio-economic group(s) below:

Women Owned Business

Minority Owned Business (if selected then one sub-type is required)

Black American Owned

Hispanic American Owned

Native American Owned (American Indians, Eskimos, Aleuts, or Native Hawaiians)

Asian-Pacific American Owned (persons with origins from Burma, Thailand, Malaysia, Indonesia, Singapore, Brunei, Japan, China, Taiwan, Laos, Cambodia (Kampuchea), Vietnam, Korea, The Philippines, U.S. Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands (Republic of Palau), Republic of the Marshall Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Guam, Samoa, Macao, Hong Kong, Fiji, Tonga, Kiribati, Tuvalu, or Nauru)

Subcontinent Asian (Asian-Indian) American Owned (persons with origins from India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, Bhutan, the Maldives Islands, or Nepal)

Individual/concern, other than one of the preceding.