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## OMNIBUS 2000: A PLAN FOR THE FUTURE

The U.S. Army Aviation and Missile Command (AMCOM) acquires a variety of advisory and assistance services to support and improve the accomplishment of its missions. The Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) merger of the aviation and missile missions in 1997 brought together two distinctly different methods of acquiring these services. The majority of aviation advisory and assistance services are acquired under an omnibus multiple award task order program called Programmatic and Technical Support (PATs). Of the 10 contracts, 3 are for logistics, 3 are for programmatic and 4 are for technical support. Eight of the ten primes are small and 8(a) businesses. The contracts may be utilized to acquire support for any aviation program manager or functional organization. Missile advisory and assistance services are currently acquired under numerous stand-alone contracts. While some similarities are found among these contracts, each was developed and awarded to support one program manager or functional organization with some organizations having up to nine contracts.

Omnibus 2000 represents a cooperative initiative, set forth in a General Officer's partnering agreement, between AMCOM and its Program Executive Officers (Aviation, Tactical Missiles, and Air & Missile Defense) to develop and implement an omnibus program to acquire advisory and assistance services to support the AMCOM/PEO missions.

Omnibus 2000 will utilize multiple awards made in the broad areas of programmatic, technical and logistics support. The contracts will offer flexible pricing arrangements and efficient, timely ordering procedures. The program will support small and minority business goals. The program will provide program executive officers, program managers and functional organizations with a broad range of expertise with which to satisfy requirements. The program represents Team Redstone's best efforts to acquire responsive, high quality, cost effective services in a timely and efficient manner.

An industry conference was held on 1 Sep 98 with approximately 300 attendees representing over 100 companies. An overview of the contracting strategy for multiple awards was presented and responses to questions received from industry were addressed. The intent is to involve industry in the process at the earliest possible time to encourage a cooperative exchange of information and suggestions throughout the process. Draft Requests For Proposals (RFPs) are scheduled for April 1999 to begin the formal, best value tradeoff process source selection. Actual awards are anticipated in March of 2000.

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