Government of the District of Columbia  
Department of General Services  

Contracts & Procurement  

Determination and Findings  
for  
Emergency Procurement  

Agency: Department of General Services  

Caption: Emergency City-wide Electronic Security Systems  
Maintenance and Repair Services  

Contractor: Veritas Consulting Group (Veritas)  

Findings  

1. Authorization:  

Chapter 47 of title 27 of the DCMR Section 4719 and PPRA Sec. 405 (d); Emergency Procurements.  

2. Minimum Need:  

The Department of General Services (DGS) has an immediate need for City-wide Electronic Security Systems Maintenance and Repair Services at various District owned and operated facilities in accordance with Chapter 47 of title 27 of the DCMR Section 4719 and PPRA Sec. 405 (d); Emergency Procurements.  

3. Estimated Fair and Reasonable Price:  

The estimated fair and reasonable price is up to $303,608.38  

4. Facts Which Justify an Emergency Procurement:  

In accordance with the D.C. Official Code §2-354.05, 27 DCMR 4719 and Title 21 DCMR, Chapter 20, the purpose of this emergency procurement is to prevent an imminent threat to public safety and welfare; also, to prevent access of potentially dangerous individuals or materials into to various District owned and operated properties. It is the mission and the responsibility of the Department of General Services to provide a safe environment at various District owned and operated facilities; these
responsibilities include providing and maintaining electronic security systems located in various District owned and operated properties (D.C. Code § 10-551.01(b) (4), the Department of General Services Establishment Act of 2011.)

An Emergency Contract with Veritas Consulting Group is needed to provide City-wide Electronic Security Systems Maintenance and Repair Services and to prevent a security breach and or life threatening situations. A new contract cannot be competitively bid and awarded to a qualified contractor certified for service and sale of a RS2 platform security system on or before the need by date.

The Contractor referenced above is the only vendor who can meet the District’s minimum need for services at this time and the estimated cost to the District is fair and reasonable based on DGS’ historical data on similar services. Moreover a competitive procurement process is not practicable under these circumstances and as previously stated a new contract cannot be competitively bid and awarded in time to have service in place on or by the need by date.

5. CERTIFICATION BY DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF FACILITIES MANAGEMENT OF DGS:

I hereby certify that the above findings are correct and complete.

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Date

Conan Bruce
Associate Director of Protective Services Division

6. CERTIFICATION BY THE SUPERVISOR | CONTRACTING OFFICER OF GOODS AND SERVICES:

I have reviewed the above findings and certify that they are sufficient to justify the use of the emergency procurement method to award the captioned contract to Veritas Consulting Group. In addition, please be advised that the Department’s notice of the captioned emergency contract will be posted on the Department’s website no more than seven (7) days after the contract is awarded. Given the foregoing, I recommend that the Department of General Services’ Contracting Officer approve the use of the emergency procurement method for this proposed procurement action.

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Date

Kimberly Gray
Supervisory Contract Specialist, Contracting Officer | Goods & Services
7. CERTIFICATION AND DETERMINATION BY THE CONTRACTING OFFICER:

I have reviewed the above findings and certify that they are sufficient to justify the use of the emergency procurement method under the cited authority. I certify that the emergency procurement notice of contract award will be published in accordance with Section 405(f) of the District of Columbia Procurement Practices Reform Act of 2010 (D.C. Official Code §2-354.05). In conclusion, the Department of General Services (DGS), Chief Procurement Officer approves the use of the Emergency Procurement method to prevent a breach in security and or life threatening situations for employees and visitors at various District owned and operated facilities.

Date

George G. Lewis
Chief Procurement Officer