



November 2, 2009

**Request for Information (RFI) #2010-23
for FAA Certified Advanced Aviation Training Devices
used in the conduct of flight instruction**

Florida State College at Jacksonville ("College") (f/k/a Florida Community College at Jacksonville) is one of the largest providers of post secondary education in the nation with over 80,000 students served in a variety of academic and workforce programs. A program which is experiencing high growth is the Professional Pilot Technology program where high fidelity simulation is desired to assist in the training of specific ground and flight operating procedures, as well as flight maneuvers, instrument training procedures, and emergency procedures.

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) has delineated new information and guidance for designation of Aviation Training Devices (ATD) utilized in the conduct of flight training. AC No: 61-136 specifies the requirements for both basic aviation training devices (BATD) as well as advanced aviation training devices (AATD) and their anticipated use in the flight training environment. In this regard the college has an intent to upgrade its capability to conduct flight training capability through the latest technology, high-fidelity simulation.

The College reserves the right to consider contracting with companies that competed for and won a publicly solicited / awarded contract with other federal, state, or local agencies for the same type systems or not and/or have the College issue its own request for proposal (RFP)/intent to negotiate (ITN), as deemed in the College's best interest.

It is the College's intent to review timely submitted responses, evaluate publicly awarded contracts, and the contractor's past experience and qualifications, to determine which finalist(s) for equipment as specified will be invited to an optional finalist interview.

The College further reserves the right to reject any or all RFI submittals and to re-solicit proposal or not, as deemed in the College's best interest.

Draft Statement of Requirement:

This RFI #2010-23 statement of requirement includes but is not limited to:

- Purchase of ATDs that meet or exceed AATD criteria as established in the AC 61-136 above. All AATD will meet the Qualification and Approval Guide (QAG) as identified in Appendix 2/3 as appropriate.

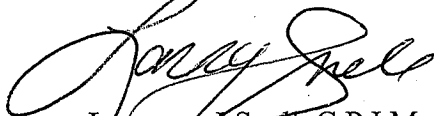
- The ATD manufacturer/authorized reseller will provide an overview of the following:
 - A copy of AFS-800 manager's letter of approval and authorized use of the ATD
 - A copy of the ATD QAG for all aircraft configuration(s) represented
 - A list of the ATD major hardware and software components as required by AC 61-136.
 - Aircraft performance information for the aircraft, or family of aircraft, being represented.
 - A list of the avionics/instrumentation supported – via hardware or software – such as Garmin G430/G530/G1000, Avidyne, Bendix-King, etc.

The College point of contact is Larry Snell (lsnell@fscj.edu).

RFI #2010-23 responses **are to be a maximum of 10 pages** to be considered, and are to be emailed no later than 2:00 p.m. EST November 23, 2009 to both Larry Snell at lsnell@fscj.edu and jbrennin@fscj.edu to include the following:

1. A brief overview of the company's past performance and experience that make it uniquely qualified to provide this level of flight simulation.
2. A brief description of company's approach to providing this flight simulation product.
3. Citing the public agency ATD solicitation and resultant contract name, phone number, and effective contract period, statement which indicates that it was publicly advertised and solicited under competitive circumstances, and awarded to your company.
4. Three References who have may have direct knowledge and experience using your simulators described in item #1.
5. A point of contact including name, title, telephone number, email address, and mailing address.

Sincerely,



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