

Announcement

Fire & Emergency Services Personal Protective Equipment Industry Day

Fire Department Instructors Conference (FDIC), Indianapolis, Indiana

Indiana Convention Center & Lucas Oil Stadium

7 April 2025 – 10 April 2025

Dear Valued Vendor,

AFCEC/CXF along with Mission Partners from the 772nd Enterprise Sourcing Squadron, and Department of the Air Force (DAF) Small Business Office is pleased to announce our participation in the Fire Department Instructors Conference (FDIC) in Indianapolis, the week of 7 April 2025. As part of our ongoing commitment to enhancing fire safety and emergency response capabilities, we are seeking to engage with industry partners to explore the latest advancements in firefighter Personal Protective Equipment products that support Firefighters throughout the DAF.

Goals and Objectives

- **Goal 1:** Gather information on available PPE products, identify potential vendors, manufacturers, and facilitate networking between government representatives and PPE industry partners. Please see Attachment 1 - PPE Specs for Industry Day 2025, for more details.
- **Goal 2:** Assess the PPE manufacturing industry's interest and capacity to engage with the Department of the Air Force (DAF) for long-term contracts.
- **Objective:** Foster open dialogue between vendors, distributors, manufacturers and government officials to enhance collaboration and establish relationships for future procurement and contracting opportunities.

Engagement Opportunities

The industry day will consist of a Government briefing followed by a general industry question and answer (Q&A) session with all attendees. The initial Government briefing will be at the following time and location:

Indiana Convention Center & Lucas Oil Stadium

Conference Room 113, **8 April 2025, 8:00am EST**

We invite you to further participate in this initiative by engaging with our representatives, showcasing your products, and discussing potential collaborations. One-on-one Q&A sessions will be conducted, as requested, after the initial Government briefing and general industry Q&A. To facilitate one-on-one discussions, participants can meet in the scheduled meeting room (with AV capabilities) after the Q&A period. If the vendor has a booth/showcase at FDIC, the Government can schedule one-on-one sessions at the vendor's booth or at a private meeting

location, between **9-10 April**. One-on-one sessions will be limited to one hour and will be scheduled after the Q&A period. All briefings and one-on-one discussions will be conducted at the unclassified level. Each potential offeror is **limited to three (3) attendees for the briefing**. This space will allow vendors and government representatives to engage in discussions regarding their latest industry solutions and strategic procurement opportunities. The schedule for one-on-one meetings including date, time, and vendor schedule will be provided during the industry day session.

To register for a one-on-one discussion, please complete an attached registration form (Attachment 2) and send it to the Contracting Specialist, Matthew Martinez, and the Contracting Officer, Randall Jones no later than **COB 20 March 2025**. The email addresses for these individuals are contained in the contact information section of this posting. Please note that the registration form (Attachment 2) contains a section for questions. All questions will be compiled, and answers will be posted to this announcement as a follow-up no later than **COB 2 April 2025**.

This industry day notice is issued solely for information and planning purposes and all information provided is subject to change or cancellation. It does not constitute a solicitation (Request for Proposal or Request for Quotations) or a promise to issue a solicitation in the future. This Industry Day Notice does not commit the Government to contract for any supply or service, whatsoever. Furthermore, the Government is not currently seeking proposals. Responders are advised that **the Government will not pay** for any information or administrative costs incurred in response to this Industry Day Notice. **The Government will not** assume liability for costs incurred by any attendee for travel expenses or marketing efforts. All costs associated with responding to this Industry Day Notice will be solely at the responding party's expense.

Attachments:

1. Attachment 1 - PPE Specs for Industry Day 2025
2. Attachment 2 – FES Industry Day Registration

We look forward to productive discussions and the opportunity to work together to advance fire safety and emergency response initiatives.