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WIPP SEEKS BIDS FOR TRANSPORTATION CONTRACT

CARLSBAD, N.M., August 25, 1994 -- Westinghouse Electric Corporation's Waste Isolation Division, under a prime contract with the U. S. Department of Energy (DOE), is calling for bids to provide transportation support at ten locations nationwide and the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP).

The Request For Proposal (RFP) specifies that the potential subcontractor will support transferral of radioactive materials on and between DOE waste generator sites, state emergency response training exercises, transport of transuranic shipping containers, including the TRUPACT-II, for required maintenance, as well as a variety of educational activities and public outreach programs throughout the country.

Length of contract will be for one year with four one-year options. This subcontract will be set aside for small business concerns as stated in the Federal Acquisition Regulations. Companies that qualify under standard industrial classification code 4213 and that have less than \$12.5 million in annual revenues will be considered.

One dedicated tractor and two drivers will perform approximately 60 dispatches per year. Dispatches will be from the WIPP site where the subcontractor's tractor and government furnished trailers will be parked. Maintenance will be provided by the subcontractor.

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Proposals are due to Westinghouse by Sept. 19, 1994. Firms interested in receiving a copy of the RFP should send a written request to Peter DeBeer, senior procurement specialist, Westinghouse Electric Corporation, Waste Isolation Division, P.O. Box 2078, Carlsbad, New Mexico 88221.

The WIPP is a research and development facility operated by the DOI's Carlsbad Area Office. Located 26 miles east of Carlsbad, it is designed to demonstrate the safe permanent disposal of transuranic radioactive waste left from production of nuclear weapons. Project facilities include excavated rooms 2,150 feet below the surface in ancient bedded salt rock.

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