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Current Information Retrieval Contracts Expire in FY18

FEDLINK's Information Retrieval (IR) contracts are now in their final option year with all current contracts expiring on September 30, 2018. Please note that if you plan to procure services with Fiscal Year 2018 funds, you must start those services before the current information retrieval contracts expire on September 30, 2018.

Join the IR Technical Evaluation Team

With a new Request for Proposals (RFP) to establish a multiple-award Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) contract for information retrieval services ready for release in January, FEDLINK will need the federal library community's help to review more than 70 vendor proposals.

To meet an August contract award objective, FEDLINK is asking for technical evaluation team members. If you, or a member of your library team, have expertise in databases and electronic resources, please consider joining this effort to assess the vendor proposals with a group of your peers. Teams will begin meeting as early as March 2018. For more information, contact Georgette Harris at qharris@loc.gov or (202)-707-4850.

FEDLINK Serials IDIQ Update

In Fiscal Year 2017, FEDLINK issued a solicitation for new serials master IDIQ contracts. While FEDLINK anticipated awarding these contracts in early October, there have been a few delays. Please know we are expediting the final review of the new serials master IDIQ contracts and anticipate the contracts will be awarded soon.

Without the new contracts in place, FEDLINK has not been able to initiate new competitions for some serials customers. We are expediting your serials orders and exploring all options to fulfill your serials requirements. We apologize for the delays and inconvenience this may cause. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the FEDLINK serials team at fedlinkserials@loc.gov or Melissa Blaschke at mebl@loc.gov.

FY18 Interagency Agreements (IAAs)

If you are experiencing a delay processing the IAA within your organization this year and are planning to use FEDLINK, please contact Lennel Galloway at (202) 707-4937 or the FEDLINK Hotline at (202) 707-4900.

FEDLINK Awards Nominations Due January 19, 2018

The annual call for nominations for the FEDLINK Awards is underway! These national awards recognize the many innovative ways that federal libraries, librarians and library technicians fulfill the information demands of government, business, scholarly communities and the American public.

To nominate a federal library, librarian, and library technician, visit the <u>FEDLINK Website</u> for more information, applications, and samples of previous award winning nominations.

Happy Holidays From FEDLINK!

Look for the next edition of the FEDLINK Bulletin in mid-January 2018.

Need immediate assistance? Contact the Fiscal Hotlines!