

**Reference:** FAA Telecommunications Infrastructure (FTI)-2 Request for Information – Issued February 9, 2016

## **1. Introduction**

This announcement is being issued in accordance with the FAA Acquisition Management System (AMS) Section 3.2.1.3.11. Interested parties are advised that:

- This is not a Screening Information Request (SIR) or Request for Proposals;
- The FAA is not seeking or accepting unsolicited proposals; and
- The FAA will not pay for any information received or costs incurred in responding to this announcement.

The purpose of this announcement is to: (1) advise interested parties of the Federal Aviation Administration's (FAA's) establishment of a website accessible to the public for the FTI-2 program; (2) announce the publication of white papers providing additional background and technical information relevant to the FTI-2 program; and (3) solicit industry feedback on the current state and anticipated direction of the FTI-2 program.

## **2. Background**

The previous announcement (Solicitation number 19301) described the FAA's intent to initiate the FTI-2 program that is expected to result in one or more competitive awards that will address a similar scope of services as the existing FTI contract. The FAA has established a working group with the American Council for Technology - Industry Advisory Council (ACT-IAC) to support its market research related to the FTI-2 program. Information about the ACT-IAC FTI-2 Working Group can be found at <https://actiac.org/groups/call-volunteers-faa-technology-infrastructure-2-working-group>.

## **3. FTI-2 Program Publicly Accessible Website**

The FAA has established a publicly accessible website to ensure that interested parties have access to documents as well as other general information related to the FAA's planning for the FTI-2 program, including information from the ACT-IAC FTI-2 Working Group. The FTI-2 website can be found at [http://www.faa.gov/air\\_traffic/technology/cinp/fti2](http://www.faa.gov/air_traffic/technology/cinp/fti2). Interested parties are encouraged to check the public website regularly as FAA will be providing additional information as it becomes available.

## **4. White Papers**

The FAA has developed programmatic and technical white papers to complement and expand upon the information included in the initial RFI. The white papers are available on the FTI-2 website at [http://www.faa.gov/air\\_traffic/technology/cinp/fti2/documents](http://www.faa.gov/air_traffic/technology/cinp/fti2/documents). The programmatic and technical white papers are listed below:

- FTI-2 Challenges and Focus Areas
- National Airspace System (NAS) Overview
- NAS Operational Environment

- FTI Enterprise Engineering Environment
- Enterprise Messaging
- FTI Security Challenges
- FTI Program Office Business Processes
- FAA TDM-to-IP Migration

## **5. Industry Feedback and Responses to this Announcement**

The FAA is soliciting feedback and technical information related to the issues identified in the initial RFI and the recently published white papers. Feedback may be provided as a written response to this announcement or by requesting a one-on-one discussion. One-on-one meetings will be limited to discussion of the contents of the white papers. The FAA is under no obligation to meet with any respondents and may choose to hold meetings, defer the scheduling of meetings, or refuse meetings, depending upon its assessment of the likely value the FAA may derive from such meetings. If a one-on-one meeting is requested by a respondent, it must be accompanied by a list of discussion topics and written feedback on the white papers within the scope of the proposed discussion topics.

Respondents are requested to provide responses as directed below. If any of the information submitted is considered to be proprietary, the submitter is requested to mark only those pages of the response that are impacted. Notwithstanding, the Government does not intend to release or distribute any of the information contained in the feedback and responses.

## **6. Instructions for Industry Feedback, Response Submissions and Meeting Requests**

Industry feedback and responses must be submitted via electronic mail to the CO, Dennis Scanlon, at [9-AJW-FTI2Info@faa.gov](mailto:9-AJW-FTI2Info@faa.gov). Files must be in either Microsoft Word or Adobe Acrobat PDF format. Zipped files (\*.zip) are not permitted and are automatically rejected by the FAA e-mail server. Please note that the FAA e-mail server restricts file size to 20MB per email message; therefore, depending on the size of attached files, responses may have to be submitted in more than one e-mail in order to be received. Submissions must include responder's point of contact information, including name, telephone number, e-mail address, and mailing address.

Requests to schedule an in-person discussion must be submitted via e-mail to the CO, Dennis Scanlon, at [9-AJW-FTI2Info@faa.gov](mailto:9-AJW-FTI2Info@faa.gov). Meeting requests must include a list of proposed company attendees, a list of proposed discussion topics, and point-of-contact information (name, telephone number, e-mail address, and mailing address) for scheduling the meeting.

While the FAA intends to continue industry engagement during the FTI-2 acquisition and program-strategy development to aid in our near-term planning, your response to this announcement is requested by March 15, 2016.

(End of Announcement)