Strategic Buffer for Bearing Grade Steel

The Strategic Metal Buffer contract for Bearing grade steel, **SP8000-12-C-0018** was awarded to Latrobe Specialty Steel Company (Latrobe), on 30 September 2012 (There are four option years). The materials are projected to be available for vendor-to-vendor releases by January 2013. This material is not Government Furnished Material (GFM) and all warranties and title transfer to the vendor from Latrobe per Latrobe’s sales policy or the vendor’s contract with Latrobe.

Material Available
The material is available to Department of Defense (DoD) manufacturers with valid DoD contracts requiring expedited delivery. Specific products (shapes, forms, sizes) are produced from established intermediate products (ingots and billets) and are shipped within the maximum lead-time. Lead-time may be less depending on the final product required. The listed application is for reference and material may be released for other applications.

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<td>52100</td>
<td>AMS 6444, AMS 6440, PWA 723, UNS G52986</td>
<td>Bearings and bearing related components</td>
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Terms
Material pricing is per suppliers existing contract(s) with Latrobe or at Latrobe standard pricing (for those without an existing contract). No premium fees shall apply for using the buffer. All material releases are on a Latrobe-to-vendor basis. The Contractor shall fund the replenishment and/or reconstitution of the buffer materials with funds obtained from these Business-to-Business orders.

Release Procedures
Material is released by a Self-executing process controlled by Latrobe, Government approval is not required. All releases must meet the following requirement:

1. A quote or existing order number (e.g., PO, contract) with Latrobe Specialty Steel Company
2. Material type and specification
3. Release Quantity
4. Supporting Government Contract (Buyer’s/requestor’s name, Contract Number, Defense Priorities and Allocation Rating). The Contracting Officer may establish additional restrictions on the quantities and type of material released

Reporting
Monthly Inventory and Transaction Report will be provided NLT the 10th calendar day of the month that provides: The beginning and ending quantity by material for the month, along with the material releases made during the reporting period.

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