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## **Pre-registration for meeting required by Dec. 10**

### Corps to hold Industry Forum for design of U.S. Army Museum on Dec. 12 at Seidman Center in Arlington, Va.

**CONCORD, Mass. (Dec. 5, 2007)** – The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District (USACE-NAE) is soliciting Architect-Engineer (A-E) firms for the design of the National Museum of the United States Army (NMUSA) project to be located at Fort Belvoir, Virginia. The total contract value is \$12 million.

An Industry Forum and networking session will be held Dec. 12, 2007 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the FDIC L. William Seidman Center, located at 3501 North Fairfax Drive in Arlington, Va., to present information on the NMUSA project to interested A-E firms and subcontractors. As this is a federal facility, pre-registration for all attendees is required by Dec. 10. To register and receive additional information on the Seidman Center or for questions on the solicitation contact Rachael Raposa of the USACE-NAE at 978-318-8249 or email at [rachael.raposa@usace.army.mil](mailto:rachael.raposa@usace.army.mil).

The NMUSA will be a 21<sup>st</sup> Century museum of excellence, recognized as a national and international visitor destination. The NMUSA will engage, entertain, and educate visitors to the historic role of the Army in the development of the Nation and the current relationship of the Army to the people of this Nation.

The A-E procurement is being conducted in 2 phases in accordance with federal regulations. Interested firms shall submit SF 330s to USACE-NAE by Jan. 9, 2008. Firms will be evaluated based upon qualifications as presented in the SF 330s. A short list of up to 5 firms will then participate in Phase 2, which will include a short presentation by each firm on their approach to executing the project. Selection will then be made based upon the information provided in both phases. A synopsis soliciting for A-E firms interested in the design of the museum and providing contract information was issued Nov. 20, 2007 in the federal government's project posting website "Fed Biz Opps." Details on the Industry Forum were posted Nov. 28, 2007. A link to the website for both announcements can be found at: <http://www.fbo.gov/spg/USA/COE/DACA33/W912WJ%2D08%2DR%2D0005/listing.html>

The purpose of the forum is to provide information to A-E firms about the solicitation process and working with the federal government. The Museum Director will also provide a briefing on his vision of the NMUSA. The benefit to firms is the opportunity to address questions regarding the project, submission requirements, and selection process with those directly involved. The forum also allows firms to network which could lead to possible teaming opportunities.

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