

OAI Consulting Awarded NMITS BPA by NOAA

Arlington, VA (March 19, 2021) - OAI Consulting, a leading technical and professional services provider, has been selected as one of the awardees for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Mission Information Technology Services (NMITS) Blanket Purchase Agreement (BPA) contract # 1305M421ANAAA0068. OAI leads a team for this award with partners S4, Inc. and MTi Systems, bringing nearly thirty years of partnerships with NOAA that reach across the agency's mission and programmatic geographic footprint.

OAI Consulting is a registered Doing Business As (DBA) of Ocean Associates, Inc. The key differentiator for the Team is supporting NOAA's enterprise and core technology systems while also providing Information Technology (IT) innovation strategies to support NOAA's scientific programs and Science, Service and Stewardship mission.

NMITS will meet the NOAA Office of the Chief Information Officer need for widespread IT services to increase the return on investments and achieve significant cost efficiencies for information resource management. The NMITS vehicle will enable the economies of scale, consistent standards, and comprehensive IT services necessary to develop a secure, reliable and technically robust operating environment to support NOAA's mission and goals and provide the highest data quality in support of researchers, management officials, decision makers and the public. The NMITS period of performance includes a five-year base period and five-year option period with a \$2.1 billion ceiling.

About OAI

OAI was established in 2003 by Dr. John Everett upon his retirement from NOAA as Chief of the Fisheries Research Division. OAI's CEO is Ms. Kristin Vehrs, a globally-recognized and honored Senior Executive. Headquartered in Arlington VA, OAI is a Women Owned Small Business (WOSB) with employees in 15 states, specializing in professional and technical services in Information Technology, Project Management, Data Stewardship, Environmental Science and Policy, and Administrative Support. OAI has grown to be one of NOAA's most prominent and proven contractors, with 100 employees and 30 subcontractors supporting NOAA offices, laboratories, research ships, and field stations. OAI is known for exceptional customer and employee care, top-notch services and quality performance standards.

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