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Commercial Low-Earth-Orbit (LEO) Satellite Internet Service

Department of Defense › Department of the Air Force

Solicitation FA446027Q0003

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RFP DETECTOR SCORE

High data confidence

Score at publication: 61 (C)

Frozen when the RFP closed; closed RFPs never show a live score

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61

Fair (C, 61/100): posted today, active buyer ($1.2B FY24–FY26); but full and open (strong incumbent).

+9.0 Freshness | −6.9 Competition & access | +3.5 Issuer & market | +2.7 Clarity & completeness

Informational, not advice. How the score works: rfpdetector.com/methodology/score

At a glance

ESTIMATED VALUE	SET-ASIDE	NAICS	PSC
~$706K Estimated: median award, FY24–FY26	None Full and open competition	517410 Satellite Telecommunications	DG11 Product / service code
PLACE OF PERFORMANCE	**POSTED**	**RESPONSE DUE**	**LISTING**
Unknown	Nov 6, 2026	Nov 17, 2026, 9:00 AM CST Closed	Official federal notice Updated Nov 6, 2026

Our summary

Department of the Air Force, part of the Department of Defense, posted a special notice titled “Commercial Low-Earth-Orbit (LEO) Satellite Internet Service” under solicitation number FA446027Q0003. It was first posted on Nov 6, 2026 and has been updated once since. The response deadline was Nov 17, 2026, 9:00 AM CST. It is classified under NAICS 517410 (Satellite Telecommunications) and product/service code DG11. No set-aside is listed. The listed point of contact is Richard Kelly.

Summary by RFP Detector.

Timeline

Blue line: today (Nov 23)



02 Score breakdown

Every RFP starts at 50. Each factor adds or subtracts points depending on how this RFP compares with a typical one, scaled by its weight and by how sure we are of the data. Unknown data has no effect.

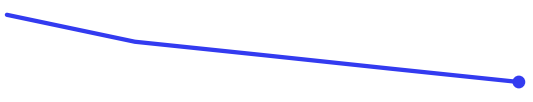
Factor		◀ lowers the score / raises the score ▶	Points	Range
Value	ESTIMATED		+1.7	−18.0 / +18.0 w 20 · conf 80%
No value published. Typical award is about $706K: the median of 136 Air Force contracts over $25K awarded in NAICS 517410, FY24–FY26.				
Competition & access	MEASURED		−6.9	−18.0 / +18.0 w 20 · conf 100%
Full and open competition. The largest recipient took 45% of these dollars in FY24–FY26, so expect a strong incumbent.				
Issuer & market	MEASURED		+3.5	−23.4 / +12.6 w 20 · conf 100%
Air Force obligated $1.2B on NAICS 517410 across 157 contracts in FY24–FY26. 55 other notices from this office in the past 12 months.				
Time & stage	MEASURED		+1.4	−14.9 / +12.2 w 15 · conf 100%
Special notice: 11 days to respond (due Nov 17, 2026, 9:00 AM CST).				
Clarity & completeness	ESTIMATED		+2.7	−18.9 / +8.1 w 15 · conf 75%
Documents not listed, named contact with email and phone, 360-word description.				
Freshness	MEASURED		+9.0	−9.0 / +9.0 w 10 · conf 100%
Posted today.				

Starts at 50 · contributions sum to **61.4**

Score at publication **61** **(C)**

Score trend

Recorded whenever the score changes, last 30 days



Nov 13: 53 Nov 17: 38

Evaluated Nov 6, 2026, 12:00 PM EST · version 1.0.0

How the score works

Value	weight 20 · −18.0 to +18.0
Competition & access	weight 20 · −18.0 to +18.0
Issuer & market	weight 20 · −23.4 to +12.6
Time & stage	weight 15 · −14.9 to +12.2
Clarity & completeness	weight 15 · −18.9 to +8.1
Freshness	weight 10 · −9.0 to +9.0

Measured data counts fully, estimated data counts less, unknown data counts zero. Grades: A 80–100 · B 65–79 · C 50–64 · D 35–49 · F 0–34. Data confidence (92/100) is how much of the score rests on measured data.

Full methodology: rfpdetector.com/methodology/score

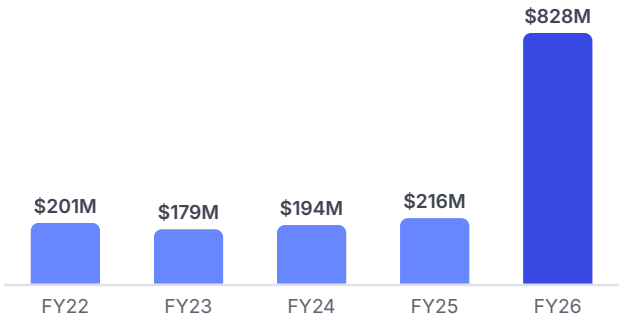
03 Market intelligence

Federal contract awards for Department of the Air Force, NAICS 517410. Award counts and sizes cover new awards in FY24–FY26; dollars are obligations in the same window.

CONTRACTS AWARDED	TOTAL OBLIGATED	MEDIAN AWARD OVER $25K
157	**$1.2B**	**$706K**
New awards, FY24–FY26	Obligated FY24–FY26	136 awards above $25K

Obligations by fiscal year

Department of the Air Force, NAICS 517410



Award size

Air Force NAICS 517410 contracts, FY24–FY26 (log scale)



For reference, the typical federal contract award above $25K across all agencies is about $69K.

Largest recipients in this market

Share of obligated dollars, FY24–FY26

1	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	$551M	45%
2	Inmarsat Government, Inc.	$115M	9%
3	L3harris Technologies Integrated Systems L.P.	$98.8M	8%
4	Global Enterprise Solutions, Inc.	$61.7M	5%
5	Iridium Satellite LLC	$57.8M	5%

These are the largest recipients across this agency and NAICS code, not the incumbent of this RFP. Concentration feeds the Competition & access factor.

How this market feeds the score

Value	Competition & access	Issuer & market
+1.7	−6.9	+3.5
Typical award ~$706K	Full and open (strong incumbent)	Active buyer ($1.2B FY24–FY26)

Federal award history: contract award types A–D, FY24–FY26, updated Nov 13, 2026.

04 Requirements & logistics

Facts from the notice. Confirm every requirement and date on the official notice before responding.

Eligibility

SET-ASIDE

Full and open competition: any responsible business may respond.

NAICS

517410 Satellite Telecommunications

PRODUCT / SERVICE CODE

DG11

Place & submission

PLACE OF PERFORMANCE

Unknown

HOW TO SUBMIT

As instructed in the official solicitation

OFFICIAL SOLICITATION

Open the official solicitation at rfpdetector.com (free account)

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Documents

No documents are listed on the notice.

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This RFP is closed

Responses are no longer accepted, so the response checklist is omitted. The facts above stay available for reference and for similar bids; see similar open RFPs and more from this issuer on page 5.

05 Related RFPs

Open RFPs with the same NAICS industry group or category (same state first, then by score), and more from this issuer. Each title links to its page on RFP Detector.

Similar open RFPs

- B | 76 **Receiver-Transmitte**
  Department of the Navy · Due Dec 21
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  Department of the Navy · Due Dec 21
- B | 72 **Antenna Assembly, in Repair/Modification of**
  Department of the Navy · Due Jan 7
- B | 70 **Diplexer**
  Defense Logistics Agency · Due Dec 4
- B | 69 **Control, Intercommun**
  Defense Logistics Agency · Due Jan 4

More from Department of the Air Force

- C | 62 **Request for Information (RFI) for a Cislunar Space System (CSS)**
  Department of the Air Force · Due Nov 24
- C | 60 **Request for Information: Extended Range Attack Munition Glide**
  Department of the Air Force · Due Dec 2
- F | 30 **Luke Days 2028 Lodging - Intent to Sole Source**
  Department of the Air Force · Due Dec 2
- C | 62 **Request for Information (RFI) on Artificial Intelligence (AI) Uses for Cislunar Space Veh...**
  Department of the Air Force · Due Dec 4

Data and as-of times

Notice data	Official federal notice, first seen Nov 13, 2026, updated Nov 6, 2026
Market data	Federal award history, contract award types A–D, FY24–FY26, updated Nov 13, 2026
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