

The fast response cutter William Trump, shown above, entered service at its home port of Key West, Florida, Jan. 24, 2015. Each FRC is 154 feet long, can travel at speeds of at least 28 knots, and has a range of 2,950 nautical miles and endurance for five days. U.S. Coast Guard photo.

Acquisition Update: Coast Guard Issues Request For Proposal For Fast Response Cutters 33-58

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The Coast Guard issued a request for proposal for the second phase of the Sentinel-class fast response cutter procurement contract today. The contract will include options for the acquisition of up to 26 FRCs on a firm fixed price basis with an economic price adjustment.

Upon request, the Coast Guard will make the reprocurement data licensing package from the phase I FRC contract available to interested offerors. The RDLP includes design data, drawings, materials list, and testing and technical information needed to submit a proposal.

Written proposals are due June 5, 2015.

The Coast Guard is acquiring a total of 58 FRCs to replace its 1980s-era 110-foot patrol boats, with each ship featuring upgrades such as enhanced response time, improved seakeeping and new command and control equipment. With the most recent order of FRCs 31 and 32 today, the Coast Guard has ordered 32 FRCs to date. Twelve FRCs have been delivered to the Coast Guard. Six FRCs are in service in Miami; five are in service

in Key West, Florida, and one is awaiting commissioning in Key West. Eleven additional FRCs are under production.

The RFP can be found in full <u>here</u>.

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