

4 Offers of Service

4.1 Overview

GSA will issue a Request for Offer (RFO) annually to all Transportation Service Providers (TSPs) approved to participate in the Centralized Household Goods Traffic Management Program (CHAMP). During the RFO process, TSPs may submit offers to provide the Household Goods (HHG) transportation services covered by this Household Goods Tender of Service (HTOS). The filing of offers is restricted to an approved TSP's scope of operation. The scope of operation is determined during the application process described in Section 2 of this HTOS which also details the process for expanding or contracting the scope. Offers outside the TSP's approved scope of operations will be rejected during the RFO period.

4.2 Geographic Coverage

The geographic areas included in TSP offers of service are defined in the RFO. Additionally:

- Offers for domestic service (with the exception of Alaska) shall be for all points within the defined service areas for interstate and for the full state for intrastate offers
- Offers for service within Alaska or between Alaska and all other points defined as domestic will include only those points identified in the RFO
- Offers for all international service may be between international areas or between international and domestic areas. In either case, offers for international service shall be for all points within the defined service areas and/or countries.

4.3 Annual RFO Process

Instructions and timing for the filing and acceptance of offers, the RFO, will be issued by the PMO on an annual basis, unless changes in the program or other factors require the issuance of different instructions. Except as provided below, all terms, conditions, and instructions are contained in the RFO. In general, the RFO:

- Provides special instructions that amplify the information in the HTOS
- Solicits rates for domestic and international HHG services
- Provides details on the computation of the GSA Industrial Funding Fee (IFF)
- Provides special agency provisions that apply to the HHG shipments of a specific Federal agency
- Provides criteria for the evaluation and acceptance of rate filings

- Provides technical details on the rate filing process.