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COMMERCIAL ITEM DESCRIPTION

POUCH, HUMAN REMAINS

The General Services Administration has authorized the use of this Commercial Item Description for all Federal Agencies.

1. SCOPE. This Commercial Item Description covers a human remains pouch for mortuary use.

2. SALIENT CHARACTERISTICS:

2.1 The human remains pouch shall have 94″ by 36″ nominal dimensions with a weight of approximately 4 lbs. Shall have a 140″ envelope with a 2 way zipper with 2 pulls that allow pouch to be opened and closed at any point. Zipper shall be a heavy duty #9 or #10 zipper. Material shall be 17 mil reinforced vinyl with the pouch having a carrying capacity of 300 lbs. Pouch shall not be affected by temperature extremes, will not deteriorate or mildew and shall not tear even if punctured. Pouch shall be impervious to blood, fluids, body fats, chemicals and shall have minimum odor when closed. There shall be no side seams. Six handles shall be provided for lifting with each handle secured by heavy duty rivets. Straps shall be 2″ wide polypropylene webbing with a tensile strength of 980 lbs. and shall run completely under the pouch for added strength and support. Additional longitudinal straps shall be provided on each side to allow for lifting by two people or helicopter without sagging.

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2.2 Pouch shall allow for easy placement of decedent and shall allow for conducting autopsies within the pouch. The pouch shall be easily turned inside out for cleaning and shall be packaged in a 24″ by 24″ heavy-duty viscira bag. The pouch color shall be royal blue.

2.3 Workmanship. The pouch shall be free from defects which detract from its appearance or impair its serviceability.

2.4 Unit. Each (EA). One pouch, as specified, constitutes one unit. Each pouch shall be supplied in a suitable commercial container.

3. REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS.

3.1 Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act. If the product covered by this document has been determined by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration to be under its jurisdiction, the offeror/ contractor shall comply, and be responsible for compliance by its subcontractors/suppliers, with the requirements of the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act, as amended, and regulations promulgated thereunder. In addition, the offeror/contractor shall comply, and be responsible for compliance by its subcontractors/suppliers, with the requirements of all other applicable Federal, State, and local statutes, ordinances, and regulations.

3.2 Recovered materials. The offeror/contractor is encouraged to use recovered materials in accordance with the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Subpart 23.403 to the maximum extent practical.

4. QUALITY ASSURANCE PROVISIONS.

4.1 Product Conformance. The products provided shall meet the salient characteristics of this commercial item description, conform to the producer's own drawings, specifications, standards, and quality assurance practices, and be the same product offered for sale in the commercial market. The government reserves the right to require proof of such conformance.

4.2 Metric products. Products manufactured to metric dimensions will be considered on an equal basis with those manufactured using inch-pound units. Dimensions and tolerances specified shall be converted using conversion tables contained in the latest revision of ASTM E 380.

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4.3 Market acceptability. The following market acceptability criteria are necessary to document the quality of the product to be provided under this Commercial Item Description.

4.3.1 The company producing the item must have been producing a product meeting the requirements of this Commercial Item Description for at least two (2) years.

4.3.2 The company must have sold 1,000 units meeting this Commercial Item Description in the commercial market place over the past two (2) years.

4.4 Other quality assurance provision. Shall be as indicated in Section E, Inspection, of the contract and/or order.

5. PACKAGING.

5.1 Preservation, packaging packing, labeling and marking. Shall be as specified in the contract and/or order. Specific requirements for this item are indicated in Section C, Description/Specification; general packaging and marking requirements are indicated in Section D, Packaging and Marking.

6. NOTES.

6.2 Source of Documents:

6.2.1 Government Documents

Defense Printing Service Detachment Office

Bldg. 4D (NPM-DODSSP)
700 Robbins Avenue
Philadelphia, PA 19111-5094

6.2.2 Non-Government Documents.

ASTM documents.

(Applications for copies should be addressed to the American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM), 100 Barr Harbor Drive, West Conshohocken, PA 19428-2959.)

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7.1 National Stock Number Data. The following National Stock Number and its respective Item Identification is covered by this document:

NATIONAL STOCK NUMBER	ITEM IDENTIFICATION
9930-01-331-6244	Pouch, Human Remains

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Navy - MS
Air Force - 03

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