CenturyLink receives authority to operate under GSA Alliant 2

WASHINGTON, July 30, 2018 / PRNewswire / -- CenturyLink, Inc. (NYSE: CTL) announced today that it received authority to operate (ATO) under its General Services Administration \$50 billion ceiling Alliant 2 Governmentwide Acquisition Contract (GWAC) that features leading-edge technologies.

The Alliant 2 GWAC is a multiple-award, indefinite delivery, indefinite quantity (IDIQ) program that federal agencies can use to buy information technology services and IT services-based solutions. Alliant 2 offers agencies customizable hardware, software and IT solutions that can be purchased as a package. The Alliant 2 period of performance and ordering period has a five-year base term through June 30, 2023, plus a five-year option period through June 30, 2028.

CenturyLink's portfolio of cloud computing, virtual networking, big data analytics, smart sensors, artificial intelligence, cybersecurity services and digital forensic solutions is now available to federal agencies via the company's unrestricted Alliant 2 GWAC.

"We're excited to receive ATO from GSA so we can help federal agencies use Alliant 2 to help achieve their IT modernization goals and carry out their missions more efficiently," said David Young, CenturyLink senior vice president, strategic government. "Receiving Alliant 2 ATO means that the federal government has yet another way to access CenturyLink's entire IT and managed services portfolio. We're proud to be one of the few government contractors that offer agencies the choice to acquire IT services through our GSA WITS 3, IT Schedule 70, Networx Universal and Enterprise, Connections II, EIS and now Alliant 2 contracts."

CenturyLink's IT services available through Alliant 2 include smart sensors that are integrated with the internet of things, as well as dedicated, on-demand servers and managed storage that support disaster recovery solutions.

In addition, the company offers industry-leading cybersecurity solutions to government agencies via Alliant 2. For example, the federal government provides classified threat indicators to CenturyLink that are used to block malicious traffic and protect customers' networks and IT systems from unauthorized access, breaches and data exfiltration.

The company's big data analytics solutions available through Alliant 2 include CenturyLink realtime health analytics powered by **EagleForce Associates Inc.**'s proprietary advanced, predictive analytics technology. CenturyLink is also an authorized provider of telecom and IT infrastructure services under GSA's 15-year, \$50 billion Enterprise Infrastructure Solutions (EIS) program. Along with the EIS program, Alliant 2 is part of GSA's Network Services 2020 strategy, which aims to give federal agencies the flexibility and agility to migrate to modern communications and IT services that meet government security standards.

By supplying cybersecurity, cloud, managed hosting and IT services over its modern carrier-class network, CenturyLink provides government agencies with the security and reliability they need to carry out their important missions.

CenturyLink is ranked No. 29 on Washington Technology's 2018 Top 100 list of federal government IT contractors.

Additional Resources

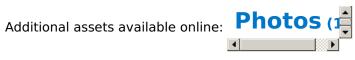
- Learn more about CenturyLink winning a spot on GSA's Alliant 2 contract:
 http://news.centurylink.com/2017-11-20-CenturyLink-wins-spot-on-50-billion-GSA-Alliant-2-contract
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