

Questions Submitted concerning Solicitation W912P5-04-R-0002

Question: Would the Nashville District prefer that the Certifications and Representations be inserted at the end of the Volume I material?

Answer: We would prefer that the Representations and Certifications be inserted at the front of the original version of Volume I just under the signed SF Form 33.

Question: Since they are only contained in one of the copies of Volume I, do the Representations and Certifications count towards the 100 page limit?

Answer: No they do not.

Question: The RFP states that "Offerors shall document their project experience in the format shown on the "Company Experience Form" attached at the end of this section. This form was not included in the RFP. Would you please Post a copy on the website?

Answer: A copy will be included in the amended copy of the solicitation.

Question: Please clarify the definition of a "Project." Would an IDIQ contract that includes multiple task orders count as a single project, or would you prefer to see five individual task orders listed in this section of the proposal?

Answer: Typically a project would mean the work at a particular project site under one task order of an IDIQ contract, although if work is performed on a site over a period of years under several task orders, this would meet the definition of one project. A project does not mean all work performed at all sites under one IDIQ contract.

Question: We assume that under "Part I – The Schedule, Block B should have been checked. The RFP contains Supplies and Services and Prices pages but they are not labeled Section B. Is this assumption correct?

Answer: Yes, they are considered to be the schedule B.

Question: Section L does not contain a requirement for contractors to submit a signed copy of the SF33. Does the Nashville District require a signed SF33, and if so, which volume of the proposal should contain this form?

Answer: The SF33 should be signed by an individual authorized to bind your firm. The SF 33 should be the first page of the original version of volume I, and it should have an original signature.

Question: Section B, CLIN 0002 does not contain any instructions for filling in the blanks provided. Is the Nashville District requesting unburdened direct labor hourly rates?

Answer: The Nashville District is requesting unburdened labor rates and the overhead and G&A rates to be applied to them. The contractor's cost estimate for the sample problem must utilize these rates and apply the overhead and G&A in the manner appropriate for the contractor's accounting system.

Question: Section L, Volume III, Cost Proposal, paragraphs 1.4.1. and 1.5.1. May contractors provide current Government approved Forward Pricing Rates in lieu of the requirement to "provide a list of items and their costs they have included in computing the overhead rate."

Answer: Although current Government-approved Forward Pricing Rates may be submitted, the Nashville District requests that information be supplied indicating the items used in computing overhead. This is being done so that the Government may better understand the contractor's overhead pool and utilize this information in preparing Government estimates and evaluating contractor's proposals for work under task orders. For example, are certain salaries, computer usage, vehicles and/or other equipment covered under overhead?

Question: What is the annual period to be used in determining contract base years 1 – 5 (government fiscal year, calendar year, or annually based upon the contract award date)?

Answer: The period would be annually following the award date.

Question: The right edge of the sample problem drawing (last page of the solicitation) titled "Isopleth Map of TCE Concentration" is missing; would you please re-post this image?

Answer: Yes

Question: How does the recent AEC charter to assume all IRP functions at US Army Installations and the forecasting of Ft. Campbell to go to PBC in 2005 effect the long term use of the contract?

Answer: The Nashville District may use this contract to perform work at Fort Campbell under the IRP, under Fort Campbell's installation support (OMA), and work funded by other sources such as DESC. It is not possible at this time to accurately assess the effect of AEC's PBC initiative on the use of this contract since those decisions have not yet been made. Any effect from AEC actions would be on the IRP portion of the work performed under this contract.

Question: Labor categories presented in the RFP for pricing in no way covers all disciplines that will be required to satisfy contract actions. Does the District intend to revise the labor categories to make them more in line with the technical requirements of the contract?

Answer: The contractor is not limited or restricted by the disciplines mentioned in the RFP. The contractor is asked to identify and supply information on key personnel, and optionally also personnel filling other than key positions, under their proposed organization. Some variance in key positions is expected by the Government from contractor to contractor, based upon the details of the organization being proposed and the personnel available.

Question: Section L-3 of the solicitation states, "Information provided in the volumes shall be submitted on 8-1/2 x 11 inch pages with foldout sheets limited to 8-1/2 x 17 inch pages." Should this read, "Information provided in the volumes shall be submitted on 8-1/2 x 11 inch pages with foldout sheets limited to 11 x 17 inch pages?"

Answer: You are correct. The solicitation has been changed to reflect this on amendment 0001.

Question: Section L-3 of the solicitation states "Volumes II and III shall not exceed 50 single sided or 25 double sided pages." Does this page limit apply to Volumes II and III separately or combined. i.e., do we have 50 pages for Volume II and 50 pages for Volume III, or 50 pages for Volumes II and III, combined?

Answer: The 50 page limit applies to Volumes II and III separately.