

NMED/PSTB
RFP NO. 14-667-00-0003
Questions/Answers

Q1: Page 25, the PE License. Do you have to have two separate PE's and surveyors, or can it be the same person from the company or two separate?

A1: The surveyor and PE may be the same person.

Q2: Do you anticipate awarding multiple contracts?

A2: Yes, the Department anticipates awarding multiple contracts.

Q3: How will the contract be awarded?

A3: The contracts will be awarded to the top scoring respondents to the RFP

Q4: Page 22. Technical specifications ten page limit. Does this include items A-1 and A-2 (Section 4) or is item A-3(statement of qualifications) in the ten pages.

A4: The Statement of Qualifications (item A-3) is not part of the ten page limit.

Q5: For the state lead sites, do you plan to divide the contracts as you have in the past?

A5: This RFP is for emergency response and investigative services at State Lead sites. The work will be allocated to top scoring respondents based on several factors including geographic location, contractor resources and demonstrated responsiveness.

Q6: Page 11, Section 12. Could you discuss some of the other factors that are going into the awarding of points?

A6: The factors used in awarding points can be found in Table 1: Evaluation Score Summary.

Q7: Page 1. Will you allow subcontractors?

A7: Yes, subcontractors are allowed.

Q8: Page 26. Fixed price, does that mean hours, time/materials too?

A8: The workplans may be approved on a fixed price basis, although costs cannot exceed the costs presented in the RFP (Appendix D) or exceed the amounts listed in the Contractor Fee Schedule (20.5.17.32 NMAC) and payments must be in compliance with 20.5.17 NMAC.

Q9: Reference Question. The references refer to the consultant as a vendor. Could you explain that. Also, is there a way to know the client has submitted their reference?

A9: The term “vendor” is found in the sample contract for this RFP. Contractors will be referenced as “vendors” in that contract. The reference form specifies that the reference is for the listed “company”. The offeror can contact the Procurement manager to inquire about the status of references.

Q10: Reference Question. Can we use the PSTB as a reference?

A10: No. PSTB personnel cannot be used as references. Other state agencies, including other NMED Bureaus, can be used as references.

Q11: Is this a combined all in one contract or will other contracts come later?

A11: There will be site-specific RFPs in the future for remedial action at identified state lead sites.

Q12: Can we submit Appendix A today?

A12: Yes. Appendix A was due March 11, 2014.

Q13: Will this contract award replace the previous contract for “State Lead Remediation, Site Investigation, and Monitoring Services for Leaking Petroleum Storage Tanks at Various Sites”?

A13: This is a procurement for professional services for investigations (including ground water monitoring) and emergency response actions at select state lead sites throughout the state.

Q14: Will other State Lead RFPs be issued or is this the only one?

A14: Please see answer to Q: 11.

Q15: Are consultants required to have a CID license or does it suffice if the subcontractor carries a CID license?

A15: Either the contractor or the subcontractor can hold a CID license as long as it is the appropriate license for the work being performed.

Q16: Technical Specifications. The 10 page narrative should include these items. Do you want all four (4) items or just 1 and 2.

A. Technical Specifications: The 10 page narrative response will include these items:

1. Statement of Capabilities and Available Resources
2. Emergency Response Scenario
3. Statement of Qualifications 20.5.16.9 NMAC
4. Business References

A16: All four items are required. However, only items 1 and 2 on the above list are included in the 10 page limit.

Q17: Would like verification that CID License GB-98 status complies with the law.

A17: Pursuant to 14.6.6.9.B(2)(b) NMAC, a GB-98 classification includes all work described by GS specialty classifications, which would include the GS-29 requirement found in the RFP.

Q18: This RFP is for Emergency Response contracts and State Lead contract, correct?

A18: This RFP is for future investigations and emergency response actions and for professional services for investigative services at select state lead sites. Please see Q15, above.

Q19: A clarification that we cannot exceed the unit cost provided on the contractor fee schedule contained in 20.5.17.604 NMAC for the unit cost that we include on the Cost Evaluation Table in Appendix D. Correct?

A19: Correct. Costs cannot exceed the Fee Schedule in 20.5.17.32 NMAC (correct citation).

Q20: One section of the RFP asks for a Site-Specific Health and Safety Plan (HASP) (RFP Section IV.A.3(f)) and another asks for an Organization HASP (RFP Section III.C.1(n)). Is it correct that PSTB wants both of these example HASPs?

A20: No. Only an example of a relevant site HASP is necessary.

Q21: The Emergency Response scenario (RFP Section IV.A.2) does not indicate how far the scenario should be taken through the PSTB process. Should the Emergency Response scenario be taken through minimum site assessment (MSA), secondary investigation, remediation, etc?

A21: The site scenario should be taken up to the MSA.

Q22: What is the term of the contract(s) – four years as in previous years?

A22: It is anticipated that the contract award will be for four years.

Q23: Please explain what information you are seeking on RFP page 26, number 2.4 Technical Environment? The items listed (software applications, internet capabilities, data communications, network and hardware) don't seem to apply to PST-type emergency response project experience.

A23: The information should be related to the services requested in the RFP, such as investigations and emergency response activities.