



Solicitation N00024-11-R-4402 Bidder's Questions – 6 June 2011

Bidder's Question 4

In Paragraph B of the Statement of Work it reads that the Contractor is required to comply with the 40% small business-subcontracting requirement in accordance with the "Small Business Subcontracting Requirement" clause in Section H. Since this clause is not currently in Section H of the Draft Solicitation, the Solicitation is a Small Business Set Aside (52.219-6), and also already invokes Limitations on Subcontracting (52.219-14), may it be assumed that the 40 percent small business-subcontracting will not be invoked in the final solicitation?

Answer

Yes, potential Offerors may assume that the 40 percent small business subcontracting requirement will not be invoked in the official solicitation. Paragraph B of the Statement of Work in the official solicitation will not contain a reference to a 40 percent small business subcontracting requirement.

Bidder's Question 5

Section III of the "TECHNICAL PROPOSAL" instructions under the Section L clause entitled "PROPOSAL SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS" (page 138 of 162 of the draft solicitation) describes what information will be included in the page count. The subsection reads, "Each single side of a piece of paper shall be counted as one page toward the 125-page limit except for the following items: ... (g) past performance information." Does this statement mean that the pages of Subsection "D. Past Performance" of the Technical Proposal will not be included in the 125-page count? Please clarify.

Answer

Correct. The past performance information described in Subsection D, "Past Performance," will not count towards the 125-page limit.

Bidder's Question 6

Although the "Draft" Solicitation was issued on May 28, the Notional Work Packages were not. Lack of the Notional Work packages minimizes the progress that can be made on the proposal prior to issuance of the final SOL. The issue date for the Notional Work package is currently listed as "TBD". Please advise as to when NAVSEA anticipate issue of the Notional Work Packages.

Answer

In accordance with the response to Bidder's Question #2, potential Offerors may request copies of information stated in the draft solicitation to be available upon request, including the draft Notional Work Packages.

Offerors are reminded that all attachments and documents that form a part of the draft solicitation package, including any documents that are provided to potential Offerors upon request, must be considered draft documents and are subject to change prior to release of the official solicitation. However, as stated in the pre-solicitation notice, the draft status of the solicitation package should not preclude potential Offerors from using the draft documents to begin proposal preparations, as major revisions are not expected and changes will be clearly identified at the time the official solicitation package is released.

The Government intends to release the official solicitation on or about 13 June 2011. In the official solicitation, the issue date for the Notional Work Packages, which is currently listed as "TBD" in the draft solicitation, will be replaced with an actual date on or about the date of the official solicitation release.