

<b>AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION/MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT</b>			1. CONTRACT ID CODE J	PAGE OF PAGES 1   10
2. AMENDMENT/MODIFICATION NO. 0001	3. EFFECTIVE DATE 03-Mar-2015	4. REQUISITION/PURCHASE REQ. NO.		5. PROJECT NO.(If applicable)
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8. NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONTRACTOR (No., Street, County, State and Zip Code)		X	9A. AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION NO. N62473-15-R-3601	
		X	9B. DATED (SEE ITEM 11) 05-Feb-2015	
			10A. MOD. OF CONTRACT/ORDER NO.	
			10B. DATED (SEE ITEM 13)	
CODE	FACILITY CODE			
11. THIS ITEM ONLY APPLIES TO AMENDMENTS OF SOLICITATIONS				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The above numbered solicitation is amended as set forth in Item 14. The hour and date specified for receipt of Offer <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is extended, <input type="checkbox"/> is not extended. Offer must acknowledge receipt of this amendment prior to the hour and date specified in the solicitation or as amended by one of the following methods: (a) By completing Items 8 and 15, and returning <u>1</u> copies of the amendment; (b) By acknowledging receipt of this amendment on each copy of the offer submitted; or (c) By separate letter or telegram which includes a reference to the solicitation and amendment numbers. FAILURE OF YOUR ACKNOWLEDGMENT TO BE RECEIVED AT THE PLACE DESIGNATED FOR THE RECEIPT OF OFFERS PRIOR TO THE HOUR AND DATE SPECIFIED MAY RESULT IN REJECTION OF YOUR OFFER. If by virtue of this amendment you desire to change an offer already submitted, such change may be made by telegram or letter, provided each telegram or letter makes reference to the solicitation and this amendment, and is received prior to the opening hour and date specified.				
12. ACCOUNTING AND APPROPRIATION DATA (If required)				
13. THIS ITEM APPLIES ONLY TO MODIFICATIONS OF CONTRACTS/ORDERS. IT MODIFIES THE CONTRACT/ORDER NO. AS DESCRIBED IN ITEM 14.				
A. THIS CHANGE ORDER IS ISSUED PURSUANT TO: (Specify authority) THE CHANGES SET FORTH IN ITEM 14 ARE MADE IN THE CONTRACT ORDER NO. IN ITEM 10A.				
B. THE ABOVE NUMBERED CONTRACT/ORDER IS MODIFIED TO REFLECT THE ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES (such as changes in paying office, appropriation date, etc.) SET FORTH IN ITEM 14, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY OF FAR 43.103(B).				
C. THIS SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT IS ENTERED INTO PURSUANT TO AUTHORITY OF:				
D. OTHER (Specify type of modification and authority)				
E. IMPORTANT: Contractor <input type="checkbox"/> is not, <input type="checkbox"/> is required to sign this document and return _____ copies to the issuing office.				
14. DESCRIPTION OF AMENDMENT/MODIFICATION (Organized by UCF section headings, including solicitation/contract subject matter where feasible.)  DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF P-906 ENERGY SECURITY MICROGRID FOR CRITICAL FACILITIES AT MARINE CORPS AIR STATION MIRAMAR, SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA  The purpose of this amendment is to respond to RFIs and extend the proposal due date.				
Except as provided herein, all terms and conditions of the document referenced in Item 9A or 10A, as heretofore changed, remains unchanged and in full force and effect.				
15A. NAME AND TITLE OF SIGNER (Type or print)		16A. NAME AND TITLE OF CONTRACTING OFFICER (Type or print)		
		TEL:	EMAIL:	
15B. CONTRACTOR/OFFEROR	15C. DATE SIGNED	16B. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA		16C. DATE SIGNED
_____ (Signature of person authorized to sign)		BY _____ (Signature of Contracting Officer)		03-Mar-2015

## SECTION SF 30 BLOCK 14 CONTINUATION PAGE

**SUMMARY OF CHANGES**

## SECTION 00010 - SOLICITATION CONTRACT FORM

The required response date/time has changed from 10-Mar-2015 10:00 AM to 17-Mar-2015 10:00 AM.

## SECTION 00100 - BIDDING SCHEDULE/INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

The following have been added by full text:

AMENDMENT 01**A. The RFP is hereby revised as follows:**

- (1) **REVISE** Frequently Asked Questions, Answer to Question 1, as follows:

**DELETE:**

Yes. Projects outside of the relevant project description (defined in the Experience factor proposal submission requirements) or that fall below the construction cost minimum will not be considered relevant.

**REPLACE with:**

Yes. Projects outside of the relevant project description (defined in the Experience factor proposal submission requirements) will not be considered relevant.

- (2) **REVISE** Frequently Asked Questions as follows:

**REPLACE** any reference of Attachment C with Exhibit 1.

- (3) **REVISE** RFP Section 00210 Basis of Award, 5. Phase I Basis of Evaluation/Submission Requirements/Criteria Description, Factor 2 – Experience, (a) Solicitation Submittal Requirements, as follows:

**DELETE the following from (1) Construction Experience:**

Projects submitted for the Offeror shall have been completed within the past five (5) years of the date of issuance of this RFP.

**REPLACE with:**

Projects submitted for the Offeror shall have been completed within the past ten (10) years of the date of issuance of this RFP.

**DELETE the following from (2) Design Experience:**

Projects submitted shall have been completed within the past five (5) years of the date of issuance of this RFP. For design-build projects, the design portion of the contract shall have been completed within the past five (5) years of the date of issuance of this RFP.

**REPLACE with:**

Projects submitted shall have been completed within the past ten (10) years of the date of issuance of this RFP. For design-build projects, the design portion of the contract shall have been completed within the past ten (10) years of the date of issuance of this RFP.

**DELETE the following from (3) Controls Experience:**

Projects submitted shall have been completed within the past five (5) years of the date of issuance of this RFP. For design-build projects, the design portion of the contract shall have been completed within the past five (5) years of the date of issuance of this RFP.

**REPLACE with:**

Projects submitted shall have been completed within the past [ten \(10\)](#) years of the date of issuance of this RFP. For design-build projects, the design portion of the contract shall have been completed within the past [ten \(10\)](#) years of the date of issuance of this RFP.

- (4) **REVISE** RFP Section 00210 Basis of Award, 5. Phase I Basis of Evaluation/Submission Requirements/Criteria Description, Factor 2 – Past Performance, (a) Solicitation Submittal Requirements, first paragraph, as follows:

**DELETE:**

If a completed Construction Contractor Appraisal Support System (CCASS) evaluation is available, it shall be submitted with the proposal for each project included in Factor 2 for construction experience. If a completed AE Contractor Appraisal Support System (ACASS) evaluation is available, it shall be submitted with the proposal for each project included in Factor 2 for design experience. If there is not a completed CCASS or ACASS evaluation then submit Past Performance Questionnaires (Attachment D) for each project included in Factor 2 for both Construction Experience and Design Experience. The Offeror should provide completed Past Performance Questionnaires (PPQ) in the proposal. Offerors shall not incorporate by reference into their proposal PPQs previously submitted for other RFPs. However, this does not preclude the Government from utilizing previously submitted PPQ information in the past performance evaluation. If the Offeror is unable to obtain a completed PPQ from a client for a project(s) before proposal closing date, the Offeror shall complete and submit with the proposal the first page of the PPQ, which will provide contract and client information for the respective project(s). The Government may make reasonable attempts to contact the client noted for that project(s) to obtain the PPQ information. However, Offerors should follow-up with clients/references to help ensure timely submittal of questionnaires. If the client requests, questionnaires may be submitted directly to the Government's point of contact, Terry A. Hardin.

**REPLACE with:**

If a completed Construction Contractor Appraisal Support System (CCASS) evaluation is available, it shall be submitted with the proposal for each project included in Factor 2 for construction experience. If a completed AE Contractor Appraisal Support System (ACASS) evaluation is available, it shall be submitted with the proposal for each project included in Factor 2 for design experience. [If a completed AE Contractor Appraisal Support System \(ACASS\) evaluation is available, it shall be submitted with the proposal for each project included in Factor 2 for controls experience.](#) If there is not a completed CCASS or ACASS evaluation then submit Past Performance Questionnaires (Attachment D) for each project included in Factor 2 for both Construction, [Design, and Controls](#) Experience. The Offeror should provide completed Past Performance Questionnaires (PPQ) in the proposal. Offerors shall not incorporate by reference into their proposal PPQs previously submitted for other RFPs. However, this does not preclude the Government from utilizing previously submitted PPQ information in the past performance evaluation. If the Offeror is unable to obtain a completed PPQ from a client for a project(s) before proposal closing date, the Offeror shall complete and submit with the proposal the first page of the PPQ, which will provide contract and client information for the respective project(s). The Government may make reasonable attempts to contact the client noted for that project(s) to obtain the PPQ information. However, Offerors should follow-up with clients/references to help ensure timely submittal of questionnaires. If the client requests, questionnaires may be submitted directly to the Government's point of contact, Terry A. Hardin.

- (5) **REVISE** SF 1442, Block 13A, as follows:

**DELETE:**

10 Mar 2015

**REPLACE with:**

17 Mar 2015

**Note:** As a result of this Amendment, the RFI due date will not be extended. Any submission of RFIs will not be accepted.

**B. Responses to Request for Information (RFIs):**

**RFI #01:** Will the diesel and natural gas power plant require a physical building to house the units or will outdoor rated enclosures be sufficient? This information is necessary to understand the level of past performance for design and construction required.

**ANSWER:** A concrete masonry unit (CMU) building will be required.

**RFI #02:** Will the diesel and natural gas power plant require paralleling switchgear? This information is necessary to understand the level of past performance for design and construction required.

**ANSWER:** Paralleling switchgear will be required for this project.

**RFI #03:** The requirement for the Factor 1 Technical Approach requires a narrative describing roles and responsibilities of the primary construction and design firms. However, a technical solution narrative to Commissioning is not required until the Phase II Factor Five response.

In order to appropriately address Factor 1, please advise if Commissioning lead can be an entity of the Prime Contractor/Key Subcontractor or if it must be an independent third party company.

**ANSWER:** This information will be provided in Phase II.

**RFI #04:** The Description of Work requires redundant air permitting for the new diesel and natural gas power plant. Will the air permit for these new on-base facilities be an extension of an existing air permit? Has any preliminary permit process been started with the AHJ?

**ANSWER:** The air permits for the new diesel and natural gas generators will be new permits. Nothing has been initiated by the Government; therefore, the contractor will be responsible for the entire permitting process.

**RFI #05:** What control / monitoring software is utilized for the existing landfill gas, energy storage and PV systems? Are any or all of these applications interfaced with the Schneider SCADA, JCI ICS or WinPM.NET metering?

**ANSWER:** This information will be provided in Phase II.

**RFI #06:** The Description of Work requires redundant controls located at MCAS Miramar and Naval Base San Diego. Is there an existing communications connection that can be utilized between these two facility control rooms and, if so, what network service is utilized?

**ANSWER:** This information will be provided in Phase II.

**RFI #07:** The RFP requires a Letter of Commitment from the subcontractor(s). May Offerors use their own format for these Letters of Commitment ?

**ANSWER:** Yes, but the letter shall be signed on a company letterhead.

**RFI #08:** Please confirm that the EMR and OSHA data to be provided as part of the Factor 4 response is excluded from the 2 page limit for the Technical Approach to Safety narrative.

**ANSWER:** Correct, the 2 page narrative limit only applies to the Technical Approach to Safety.

**RFI #09:** May CPARs be used in lieu of Past Performance Questionnaires for project which do not have the CCASS or ACASS evaluation forms ?

**ANSWER:** If Offerors do not have a CCASS, ACASS, or a completed PPQ, Offerors shall complete and submit with the proposal the first page of Exhibit B. Offerors may submit their CPARS evaluation with their first page of Exhibit B. See Factor 3 – Past Performance for further information.

**RFI #10:** In Phase I, is it acceptable to provide a signed/authorized letter of intention to form a Joint-Venture that is authorized under a corporate resolution from each party in lieu of a fully executed Joint-Venture agreement?

**ANSWER:** No, a letter of intent is not acceptable as the Offeror must submit a signed copy of a joint venture (JV) agreement. Any JV agreement must be in-place at time of Phase I submittal for JV participants.

**RFI #11:** The answer to Question 1 notes « ...or that fall below the construction cost minimum... » and Question 18 refers to « ...construction cost (award amount) shown on Attachment C... ». I cannot locate Attachment C or discussion on a construction cost minimum in the RFP or supporting documents. Where is this information located ?

**ANSWER:** There is no construction cost minimum for Factor 2 – Experience. All supporting documentation can be found at [www.neco.navy.mil](http://www.neco.navy.mil). See **Item A(1) and (2)** above for details regarding the Frequently Asked Questions PDF file included with the solicitation.

**RFI #12:** Question and Answer 1 of the Frequently asked Questions document, provided with the solicitation, states that a relevant project must meet the “construction cost minimum” or it will not be considered. Please clarify what the construction cost minimum is for this solicitation, and if there is a different threshold for the “controls experience” portion as these projects are often much smaller in cost magnitude.

**ANSWER:** See RFI #11 above for details.

**RFI #13:** Per contractor request, RFI #13 removed and replaced with RFI #31.

**ANSWER:** N/A.

**RFI #14:** Many Federal design and construction contracts may not have CCASS and/or ACASS evaluation forms. If Offerors have CPARs for projects in this situation, may we submit the CPAR vice getting a PPQ completed?

**ANSWER:** See RFI #09 above for details.

**RFI #15:** Does the Government expect that the contractor will operate and maintain (O&M) the microgrid after completion? Is the Government interested in a proposal that includes post-completion O&M?

**ANSWER:** No, the contractor is not expected to operate and maintain the microgrid after completion. No, the Government is not interested in a proposal that includes post-completion O&M.

**RFI #16:** Why does the Government require both a payment bond and a performance bond?

**ANSWER:** 40 U.S.C. chapter 31, subchapter III, Bonds (formerly the Miller Act) requires contractors to furnish performance and payment bonds for construction contracts worth more than \$150,000. See FAR 28.102 Performance and Payment Bonds and Alternative Payment Protections for Construction Contracts for further details.

**RFI #17:** Does the Government intend that the microgrid will generate electricity full time or function as back-up generation.

**ANSWER:** The microgrid generators are intended to be permitted for Prime use, but will not be used full time. The generators are intended mainly for emergency use, demand response, and peak shaving.

**RFI #18:** What is the Government's expectation for a "letter of commitment" from the Offeror's Team members. Given that this is a Phase I deliverable, the project specifications and final contract with the Government is not complete. Until such time, the offeror and the team member cannot negotiate a formal, definitive agreement. Under those circumstances, it is unlikely that a team member will commit to anything more than an expression of interest in the project and a good faith willingness to enter negotiations for a subcontract.

**ANSWER:** The Government's expectation for a "letter of commitment" is that if an Offeror intends to utilize a subcontractor to demonstrate construction experience, a design subcontractor to demonstrate design experience, and a controls subcontractor to demonstrate controls experience, then the Offeror shall provide a letter of commitment and an explanation of the meaningful involvement that the subcontractor(s) will have in performance of this contract.

**RFI #19:** Does the Government intend to own operate and maintain the microgrid?

**ANSWER:** See RFI #15 for details.

**RFI #20:** Will the government consider having the contractor own, operate and maintain the microgrid?

**ANSWER:** See RFI #15 for details.

**RFI #21:** In the requirement of Phase 1 Basis of Evaluation/Submission Requirements /Criteria Description, Factor 2 Experience you state: "Projects submitted for the offeror shall have been completed within the past five (5) years of the date of issuance of this RFP." In light of the limited number of projects of this type issued in the last five (5) years, we respectfully request that the duration be increased from five (5) years to ten (10) years of the date of issuance of this RFP.

**ANSWER:** See **Item A(3)** above for details.

**RFI #23:** 00210 Basis of Award, Factor 2 - Experience: Requirement of Phase 1 Basis of Evaluation/Submission Requirements /Criteria Description, Factor 2 Experience states: "Projects submitted for the offeror shall have been completed within the past five (5) years of the date of issuance of this RFP." Can the duration be increased from five (5) years to ten (10) years, from the completion of the project to the date of issuance of this RFP.

**ANSWER:** See **Item A(3)** above for details.

**RFI #24:** Factor 1 – Technical Approach - The basis of evaluation states that: The assessment of the Offeror's technical approach will be used as a means to evaluate the organizational structure and teaming relationships proposed by the Offeror. This factor will be rated on an Acceptable or Unacceptable basis.

RFI #13 provided with the RFP, relays that a JV will be evaluated in the same way as an Offeror.

Because the basis of the evaluation clearly states that teaming relationships proposed will be evaluated on an acceptable or unacceptable basis, we would like to confirm that a subcontractor proposed with the required letter of commitment will be evaluated equal (and not seen as a weakness), compared with a JV or a team member that is proposed with a teaming agreement?

**ANSWER:** Yes, they will be evaluated equally.

**RFI #25:** We request that the Government extend the due date for receipt of proposals (currently 10 March 2015 at 10:00 am Pacific Time) by two (2) weeks, making the due date 24 March 2015.

**ANSWER:** See **Item A(5)** above for details.

**RFI #26:** Clauses Incorporated by Reference, FAR 52.228-1 (page 48 of 66 - 49 of 66): Is the Government requiring submission of a bid guarantee under Phase 1 of the solicitation process?

**ANSWER:** A bid guarantee is only required in Phase II.

**RFI #27:** **Factor 2 - Experience (page 14 of 66 - 17 of 66):** Is it correct that offerors may submit a maximum of five (5) relevant construction projects, a maximum of five (5) relevant design projects, and a maximum of five (5) relevant controls projects for a total of 15 relevant projects?

Is there a minimum requirement for relevant controls projects?

**ANSWER:** Correct, Offerors may submit a maximum of five (5) construction projects, a maximum of five (5) design projects, and a maximum of five (5) controls projects for a total of 15 projects. There is no set minimum; however, the required controls experience shall be met within the project(s) submitted.

**RFI #28:** **Clauses Incorporated by Reference, FAR 52.204-4 (7 of 66 and 36 of 66):** There are several references to double sided pages (or single sided pages) within paragraph 5. Phase I Basis of Evaluation/Submission Requirements/Criteria Description (pages 14 of 66 thru 20 of 66). Under Clauses Incorporated by Reference, Clause 52.204-4 is referenced and under paragraph 2. Proposal Submittal Requirements it states "Proposals shall be submitted on 8.5" X 11" paper, utilizing both sides of the paper". Is it correct that the Government will not accept a singled sided submission?

**ANSWER:** The Government will accept proposals with single sided pages. However, per FAR 4.302(b), "If the contractor cannot print or copy double-sided, it shall print or copy single-sided on at least 30 percent postconsumer fiber paper."

**RFI #29:** **Past Performance Questionnaires (PPQ), Factor 3 - Past Performance (page 18 of 36):**

The referenced paragraph states "The Offeror should provide completed Past Performance Questionnaires (PPQ) in the proposal. Offerors shall not incorporate by reference into their proposal PPQs previously submitted for other RFPs." In many cases offerors have completed, relevant PPQs that were used in replying to other RFPs. These PPQs are formatted slightly different than N6247315R3601 Exhibit B PPQ (see link to "NAVFAC/USACE PAST PERFORMANCE QUESTIONNAIRE")

[http://www.google.com/url?sa=t&rct=j&q=&esrc=s&source=web&cd=1&ved=0CB8QFjAA&url=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.aed.usace.army.mil%2Fcontracting%2F12-r-0006%2Fppq\\_0\\_form.doc&ei=FgrmVITsJcSigwSKqoOYBQ&usg=AFQjCNFxb2M9yrh4K6sFvWvtSoZITMPDSA&sig2=BErGOjm5PLd5y2rXu4u12Q&bvm=bv.85970519,d.eXY](http://www.google.com/url?sa=t&rct=j&q=&esrc=s&source=web&cd=1&ved=0CB8QFjAA&url=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.aed.usace.army.mil%2Fcontracting%2F12-r-0006%2Fppq_0_form.doc&ei=FgrmVITsJcSigwSKqoOYBQ&usg=AFQjCNFxb2M9yrh4K6sFvWvtSoZITMPDSA&sig2=BErGOjm5PLd5y2rXu4u12Q&bvm=bv.85970519,d.eXY)

As can be seen from the link above, the content of these PPQs match the content requested in N6247315R3601 Exhibit B PPQ. Would the Government allow offerors to use these previously completed, relevant PPQs within our submission, not by reference, but by providing the actual PPQ? From an offerors customer relationship stand-point, going back to our customers and requesting that they complete another PPQ on a project for which they have already completed a PPQ is generally not a good practice.

**ANSWER:** Offerors may submit PPQs from previous solicitations as long as they are complete and relevant. However, if the submitted PPQ is different from Exhibit B then Offerors shall complete and submit, at a minimum, with the proposal the first page of Exhibit B.

**RFI #30:** As part of Factor 2 – Control Experience, RFP is requesting for “Experience with Department of Defense (DoD) Cybersecurity specifically with respect to Department of Defense Information Assurance Certification and Accreditation Process (DIACAP), or Risk Management Framework (RMF) processes.”

Would experience with and compliance in control system design and implementation based on NERC/FERC Cyber Security Standards and Critical Infrastructure Protection (CIP) be equally considered for this purpose?

There are many areas of similarities among DOD DIACAP and RMF with those of NERC/FERC requirements.

Example is: NERC CIP version 3 on risk-based asset methodology (“RBAM”) for Critical Asset identification.

NERC Cyber security aspects are also utilized in DOE /CEC projects.

**ANSWER:** NERC/FERC experience will not be considered valid experience for this project.

**RFI #31:** The Construction and Design Experience requirements for a Medium Voltage Electrical Distribution System state a minimum of 15kV. In our experience, 15kV is a nominal voltage measurement and would include such actual Medium Voltages as 13.8kV and 12kV. Please confirm that these actual Medium Voltage Electrical Distributions will still meet the RFP requirements for Construction and Design Experience.

**ANSWER:** Experience with minimum 15kV insulation class is required. Nominal voltage must be greater than 5kV.

**RFI #32:** Phase 1 Basis of Evaluation/Submission Requirements /Criteria Description, Factor 2, Experience:

“Projects submitted for the offeror shall have been completed within the past five (5) years of the date of issuance of this RFP.”

Can the timeframe be expanded to 10 years, rather than 5 years? Several remote microgrid projects have been designed, constructed and in operation back in 2008, and 2009, involving renewables (PV and wind integration) into Diesel-based systems. Many aspects of the projects (e.g. control enhancement, and energy efficiency approaches, etc) are readily applicable to this RFP.

Would an on-going multi-phase microgrid project, with already completed phases in 2014 (e.g. planning stage, design stage, technology selection and procurement, and FAT) be qualify for the experience?

**ANSWER:** See **Item A(3)** above regarding the 10 year timeframe request. In regards to on-going multi-phase microgrid project, construction projects submitted for the Offeror shall have been construction completed within the past 10 years of the date of issuance of this RFP. Design projects submitted shall have been design completed within the past 10 years of the date of issuance of this RFP. Controls projects submitted shall have been controls design completed within the past 10 years of the date of issuance of this RFP.

**RFI #33:** Your solicitation just reached us at [REMOVED]. We are quite interested in responding. Is it possible three could be a bid extension? [REMOVED].

**ANSWER:** The Government is unable to grant a solicitation extension based on your situation. However, a one week extension will be granted to allow all contractors time to review the RFI responses. See **Item A(5)** above for details.

**RFI #34:** Phase I requires offeror to submit a team consent form, which is under attachment (2). Attachment (2) was not provided in the solicitation package, so is there a specific form that is required or is it acceptable for offeror to submit a standard company consent form?

**ANSWER:** The Team Consent Form posted with the original solicitation in FedBizOps and NECO is not working. The Team Consent Form was reloaded to the website via Amendment 01 dated 6 February 2015. Please see Amendment 01 under this solicitation for the downloadable version of the Team Consent Form.

**RFI #35:** For a past construction project, the Customer refuses to fill out a PPQ. However, he will accept a phone call to discuss specifics of performance. Is it acceptable to provide a phone number and contact person from the Customer in lieu of a PPQ or CCASS rating?

**ANSWER:** See RFI #09 for details.

**RFI #36:** Are we (as prime) required to include a financial questionnaire, VETS-100/A, surety form and Reqs & Certs for each of our subcontractors/suppliers? Or is this information only needed for the prime contractor? Thanks in advance.

**ANSWER:** The information requested should only be from the prime contractor.

**RFI #37:** Please clarify as to if the Offeror uses the same project in 'Factor 2 – Experience' for both Construction Experience and Design Experience, do you want separate Past Performance Questionnaires submitted for each phase of the same project, or will a single PPQ that reflects the entire project suffice?

Further, if a project is submitted for Controls Experience only, is a PPQ required? The way we interpret the RFP is that a PPQ is NOT required for that project.

Thanks for your clarifications.

**ANSWER:** See **Item A(4)** above for details.

**RFI #38:** My firm (REMOVED) is an engineering design firm. We expect to provide the Design services for this project. The RFP indicates that Joint Venture Lead Design Firms are one of the expected team structures. We will not, however, be participating in a Joint Venture, but will have teaming arrangements with other firms for the Construction and Controls elements.

So, can a Design Firm act as the Prime Contractor for this Design-Build project without a JV agreement among our partnering firms ?

**ANSWER:** Response Pending.

**RFI #39:** While each of the members of the [REMOVED] team averages decades of experience in his or her related field we have only recently joined together to form [REMOVED]. Given this fact, it will be impossible to write to prior experience and submit past performance questionnaires for work performed as “[REMOVED].” Would it be permissible to write to past experience as performed by current members of the [REMOVED] team prior to joining our firm? We will clearly indicate in our response which work was performed under a previous organization.

**ANSWER:** Submitted experience shall be experience from the firm, not individuals.

**RFI #40:** In the requirement of Phase 1 Basis of Evaluation/Submission Requirements /Criteria Description, Factor 2 Experience it requires the offerer to use relevant projects that have been completed in the last five years. These types of projects are not very frequent and would it be acceptable to include projects that have been completed within the last ten years?

**ANSWER:** See **Item A(3)** above for details.

**RFI #41:** Considering that we have reached the deadline for submitting RFIs (10 days prior to current due date of 10 March 2015) and no answers to RFIs have been released, we would ask that the Government extend the due date of the proposal by two weeks (to 24 March 2015), and extend the period for submitting RFIs to Friday, 6 March 2015. This will allow all Offerors to address answers or ask clarifying questions in response to RFIs or a potential Amendments.

**ANSWER:** See **Item A(5)** above for details.

**RFI #42:** Please provide a detailed definition of the preliminary design to be provided to the selected contractors at the proposal stage two. Design build proposals put a cost burden and risk on the proposers that is greater due to the unknown design element. The design build contractor teams need to know the extent of design expected, or percentage of complete design, to evaluate the proposal cost investment for the preparation of phase two proposal and firm fixed price estimate. Typically the SW NAVFAC office provides a 30-50% design for the contractors to determine the scope for their estimate. This project has a unique scope of work that is not typical. What percentage of design should the contractors expect for the second stage of this proposal?

**ANSWER:** A preliminary design will not be provided. A detailed RFP package will be provided in Phase II of the solicitation.

**RFI #43:** The Instructions to the Offerors requests we include our CAGE code in the cover letter. Is it permissible for only teaming partners to have a CAGE code and not the prime offeror?

**ANSWER:** Per the Proposal Submittal Requirements (Page 7 of 66), “The **DUNS Number, CAGE Code, and Tax Identification Number (TIN)** of the Offeror” is to be included on the cover letter. The solicitation document does not request the CAGE code of any teaming partners on the cover letter.

**RFI #44:** Surety. We are required to provided proof of Surety. Is it acceptable to provide the Surety forms for only the teaming partners that will be providing construction services?

**ANSWER:** Teaming partner is not included in the definition of the “Offeror” (see page 12 of 66 for details). Therefore, any surety documents submitted to the Government must come from the Offeror and not a teaming partner.

(End of Summary of Changes)