



REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
FORT WORTH DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS
P. O. BOX 17300
FORT WORTH, TEXAS 76102-0300

July 11, 2003

Contracting Division

Planholders:

1. Reference is made to Solicitation No. DACA63-03-R-0020, Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity Construction/Services Contract Primarily for Fort Polk, Louisiana, and Military and Civil Projects within the Geographic Boundaries of the U.S. COE (Southwestern Division).
2. Enclosed are answers to contractor questions that were either submitted at Pre-Proposal Conference on June 26, 2003, or submitted directly to this office for the referenced solicitation. Also, enclosed is the list of attendants for the Pre-Proposal Conference.
3. These enclosures are for information purposes only and are not a part of the Request For Proposal.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. D. Feller".

Richard D. Feller
Contract Specialist

Enclosures

QUESTIONS and ANSWERS for SOLICITATION NO. DACA63-03-R-0020
IDIQ Construction/Services Services, Fort Polk, LA
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1. Are general conditions in the Material & Equipment Line Item?

No, See Note 12, page 00010-12.

2. What is the basis for award the bid schedule or the sample project?

Section 00150, Evaluation Factors for Award, establishes the basis for award. Paragraph 2.1.2 covers price/cost proposal evaluation.

3. What is included in the labor rates?

The Professional Level hours rates in the Bidding Schedule apply to the Prime Contractor only, and are to be fully burden including overhead, G&A, Profit and Bond.

4. Is the Bond Capacity per Base Bid optional years or total contract of 5 years?

The contractor shall be able to fully bond all task orders regardless of the dollar amount; therefore, all contractors shall have sufficient bonding capacity to cover the total estimated value of the contract (\$14 Million).

5. How are A/E costs to be proposed?

Professional Level categories are for the Prime Contractor's direct cost only. Costs for outside A/E and consultants performing design services will be shown as "subcontractors and consultants" and will be negotiated on each individual task order.

6. Approximately what amount of Task Orders will be awarded simultaneously?

See Section 00800, paragraph 16.

7. How much design is anticipated?

Work plans are anticipated on 75% of the task orders. The sample project is typical of the level of design necessary on each project.

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8. Is design in compliance to the SBC?

Refer to Section 00900, pages 9, 10, 11.

9. Will manholes need to be installed every 500' in the 1200' run from the site manhole to the end connection manhole?

No.

10. Are Corps design specs required to be used for proposal or can standard commercial specs be used?

Commercial specs can be used.

11. Sample project states commercial grade specs can be used. Can proprietary specs be used?

No, contractors are encouraged to used commercial specs.

12. In (Section 00110, Para. 7.1)- Where do we show this information in the Bid Schedule?

All cost and price information shall be included in Volume II. Refer to the bid schedule notes for the types of costs to be included in each CLIN.

13. Full time QC required or can super act per T.O.?

For most task orders, the QC can serve as the superintendent.

14. If low bid backs out, who pays the difference for 2nd low?

Task Orders are awarded at a firm-fixed price. If the Prime Contractor's low bid subcontractor backs out, the Prime will bear the cost of providing an alternate subcontractor.

15. Will COE pay for a design or man-hours put into a project that gets terminated due to the lack of funds or other reasons?

No.

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16. If a scope of work is approved by the Government, is the contractor responsible for design flaws?

Yes.

17. Does the sample project require the design to be sealed by the designer?

Section 00900, Para 1.0 requires professional design service to be sealed.

18. Paragraph 52.228-1 states a bid guarantee of \$40,000.00. Is this requirement 20% of the bid price which in this case is \$40,000, the base year guaranteed award amount?

No, in order to better protect its interests, the Government determined that the bid guarantee will be set at \$40,000.00, the same as the guaranteed minimum amount.

19. May we submit a *Letter of Credit* for the Bid Guarantee?

Yes, please refer to Section 00700 contract clause, 52.228-14, Irrevocable Letter of Credit.

20. a. When will the government purchase performance and payment bond(s)?

When task orders are awarded, the contractor will be required to submit performance and payment bonds. All task orders shall be fully bonded.

- b. Will the government initially purchase \$80,000 worth of Performance and Payment bonds?

No

- c. Priced with each task order?

If no task order is awarded simultaneously with the award of the basic contract, the successful offeror will be required to submit performance and payment bonds in the amount of \$40,000 each to cover the Guaranteed Minimum amount for the base year. If, however, the Government issues (awards) a task order simultaneously with the award of the basic contract, and the task order is for an amount equal to or greater than the Guaranteed Minimum (\$40,000),

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then the task order will suffice as the Guaranteed Minimum, and the offeror will be required to submit performance and payment bonds in the amount of the task order.

21. Could you clarify if the COE is expecting full plans and specs for the work plan submission as part of the proposal?

Refer to Section 00900 for additional clarification.

22. Request that the Ft Polk IDIQ Proposal submission be divided into two separate phases with an extension to the 7/21/03 due date for the first phase. Proposed Phases: Technical and Price.

Due to the difficult schedule demands for this requirement, the Government has decided to not to divide the proposal into two separate phases.

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