

**Clarifications for Solicitation #140P2123R0014**

Amendment 2 posted on 5/1/23

This document provides clarifications based on submitted queries.

Clarifications 1 – 17 are in Attachment 4.

18. General. Is there a requirement to employ USVI locals for this contract?

a. No.

19. Solicitation Page 17, 52.236-13(c) Accident Prevention. Please advise whether Paragraph C (EM-385-1-1) applies to this requirement since this requirement was placed under NAICS 562910 and therefore not construction/demolition/removal-related.

a. Paragraph (c) “If this contract is for construction or dismantling, demolition or removal of improvements with any Department of Defense agency or component...” does not apply since NPS is not under DOD.

20. Solicitation Page 27, 52.236.27 Site Visit, and Amendment 0001.

a. Will photography be permitted during the site visit?

1. Yes. However, note that photographs are not allowed to be distributed; they may be used internally for project purposes only.

b. How will the site visit sign-in sheet be distributed?

1. In the solicitation amendment that transmits the site visit notes.

c. Based on the scheduled May 10 site visit being less than two weeks from proposal due date of May 23, contractor kindly requests two-week extension.

1. Amendment 2 moves the proposal due date to May 31 by 9:00 am PT.

21. Solicitation Page 33, M.2 Evaluation Factors

a. (1)(A)(1) – NTCRA Contracts/Orders for ACM removal with similar scope/magnitude within a 5-year window are sparse and may deter Offeror’s pursuit of this requirement, thus minimizing competition for the government. Would the government consider modifying this Evaluation Factor to eliminate the “CERCLA/NTCRA” requirement so that other comparable ACM removal projects may be included as Past Performance?

1. Technical subfactor 1.A is revised to include an additional category of comparable contract or order: 4) Performed ACM removal and demolition not related to CERCLA. Note that ACM removal under CERCLA will be deemed more relevant than non-CERCLA ACM removal.

- b. (1)(A) – Please advise whether each “comparable Contract/Order” provided by the Offeror must meet all three of these Evaluation Factors or can each provided Contract/Order satisfy at least one of these Evaluation Factors? If the latter, please indicate how many projects (or percentage of projects) needs to be provided by the Offeror for each Evaluation Factor listed herein for fair evaluation.
    - 1. We do not require that each contract/order submitted for relevant experience be comparable in every facet. Contractor should submit a range of projects that highlight their experience with work tasks that are comparable to those required in this solicitation. We have not established a limit but suggest no more than 10 projects.
22. Solicitation Page 35, M.2 Evaluation Factors, and Form 5. What is the page limit for each Past Performance project provided on Form 5 given the Offeror needs to address this comprehensive list of “applicable factors and significant subfactors”?
- a. If no page limit is listed, then there is no limit. We encourage efficiency in presentation of relevant information; do not use a font smaller than 10.
23. Form 2 – Price Schedule
- a. Option A – Please confirm the work for this option is for additional volume over/above the 160-CY lump sum and includes all additional transportation (and disposal) work after all ACM debris is loaded into the containers.
    - 1. Option A includes transportation of ACM over/above the 160-CY lump sum in CLIN 1. Refer to Paragraph 3.2 of Section 01 27 00 in Attachment
    - 2. Option A does not include disposal of the material.
  - b. Option B – Please confirm the work for this option is for additional volume over/above the 160-CY lump sum and includes all additional ACM removal work (not disposal).
    - 1. Option B includes collection/removal and disposal of ACM over/above the 160-CY lump sum in CLIN 1. Refer to Paragraph 3.2 of Section 01 27 00 in Attachment 2. Option B does not include transportation.
  - c. How will the government quantify this volume during the fieldwork since container transportation/disposal are by weight (not volume)?
    - 1. The intent is to capture transportation costs separate from disposal and use units that are measurable and verifiable. Our understanding is that the transportation cost is based primarily on container size, distance, and mode, with weight not as important. We therefore established that measurement of Option A is by volume in cubic yards, calculated by multiplying the number of containers transported by the volume of the containers. The contractor is expected to efficiently fill each shipping

container with the maximum volume of ACM, thus minimizing the number of containers. The NPS inspector and Project Monitor will monitor and document the loading. However, if weight is a major contributing factor to the cost of transportation and there is not a reliable conversion factor for the anticipated types of ACM from CY to ton, submit a follow-up question with proposed solution based on industry standards.

2. Option B is measured by ton for the actual quantity of ACM as evidenced on the manifest and/or weight tickets from the disposal facility.

24. Amendment 0001, Q16: Can the Abatement Supervisor dual-hat as one of the three oversight positions?

- a. Yes.

25. Amendment 0001, Q12.

- a. Please expand on the response and confirm that the lump sum scope of work for this requirement is to remove/dispose of ACM waste as identified in the NTCRA Work Plan. Does the government also want the contractor to re-investigate the entire impacted area of Caneel Bay to confirm all ACM has been identified and removed?

1. Contractor is expected to take reasonable measures to walk the areas where ACM debris is identified to locate miscellaneous ACM debris in the vicinity.

- b. Will all ACM areas be field identified/demarcated by the government prior to contractor mobilization or is it contractor's responsibility to locate the ACM areas as per the NTCRA Work Plan? If the latter, will the contractor be provided the GPS coordinates for all ACM debris areas?

1. Figure 1 included with the Specifications and Work Plan shows the locations of debris that tested positive for asbestos. Debris in the same area and material type is also presumed to contain asbestos and should be removed. Most Resort rooms are in building clusters. Buildings within a cluster were generally built and renovated at the same time. So, where the displaced roof of a building was found to contain asbestos, the other roofs, where no longer attached to the structure, also likely contain asbestos. Additional information is publicly available on PEPC from the EE/CA and EE/CA Addendum public comment period

(<https://parkplanning.nps.gov/CaneelBayAssessment>).

26. Section L page 27 of the SF1442, states in para (a) "The Offeror is urged and expected to inspect the site where the work will be performed." Yet it goes on in para (c) to say "Prospective offers shall not contact the Resort Operator for direct access pertaining to

this contract. No access will be granted to unescorted parties.” Can we coordinate an official site visit either singularly (just our company) or as a group?

- a. Refer to Clarification #1 for details of a planned group site visit on May 10.
27. The National Environmental Protection Agency’s list of National List of Approved Landfills includes a landfill that is NOT located in CONUS but is on the list. Does the approved landfill have to be in CONUS if it’s on the EPA’s approved asbestos landfill list?
- a. The landfill must be in a U.S. territory or CONUS, regulated by EPA that is permitted to receive/manage ACM.
28. Will the pipe be abandoned and if so, will it be included in the 160 CY of material?
- a. Only abandoned ACM pipe sections not connected to a pipe network are included in the scope. The pipes in scope are already abandoned.
29. What type of asbestos material is surrounding the pipe e.g. wrap with mastic or with paper, or concrete wrapped in paper. It will determine whether the pipe needs to be cleaned or removed?
- a. Abandoned (“loose”) ACM pipe sections must be removed; none will be cleaned.
30. How deep is the pipe and will it require a safety box to dig below grade?
- a. No pipe is buried; no digging or excavation is required. Also see 28 and 29.
31. What is the dimension of the pipe?
- a. Less than 16 inches in diameter and shorter than 10 feet long for any given section.