

Questions and Answers

1. **Question:** Form SF-1442 is divided in the three – solicitation, offer and award. Will this form be distributed to all the prospective offerors to complete with our information and offer details or should all perspective offerors create their own form, regarding your standard form 1442.

Answer: Standard Form SF-1442 is page one of the solicitation, therefore, all offerors were able to download it from our site. Item 14, 15, 16 and 17 must be filled out by the offeror. If there are amendments to this solicitation Item 19, 20A, 20B, 20C must be also filled out by the contractor.

2. **Question:** Section B – B.1.4 – Pricing: is this the model of the bid proposal that we need to present or can we use our own model that contemplates all your requests? Should the bid proposal have only the three lines that appear on B.1.4 – Pricing or should it be detailed with all the jobs and services that we are going to develop?

Answer: The solicitation format should be utilized. The offeror should fill in the Pricing as outlined in B.1.4 (VAT should be included). However, Attachment 4 of the solicitation requires breakdown of price by divisions of specifications.

3. **Question:** DBA Insurance: can you please clarify a doubt regarding this matter. When is DBA insurance required? When reading page 73 of section L we understood that it is only required when United States citizens or residents are employed to work with us during the construction. If none are employed we understand that it isn't required. Is our understanding correct?

Answer: Correct. Please refer to B.1.3 note that states "The Department of State has received from the Department of Labor a waiver of DBA for non-U. S. Citizens. See FAR 52.228-4 in Section I for insurance required for non-U.S. citizens, which shall be included in the contract price and not separately reimbursed."

4. **Question:** How to render the insurance for the Embassy and their duration after the completion of works?

Answer: Please refer to Paragraph H.2 of the Solicitation for the requirement. As per paragraph H.2.4 – Time for Submission of Evidence of Insurance – "The contractor shall provide evidence of the insurance required under this contract within ten (10) calendar days after contract award. Failure to timely submit this evidence, in a form acceptable to the Contracting Officer, may result in rescinding or termination of the contract by the Government."

5. **Question:** Which is exactly the equipment that the Embassy provides for this type of work?

Answer: Please refer to *Section C. 4.0 – Government Furnished Equipment and Materials* of the Solicitation.

6. **Question:** Some of the equipment will be imported by our account from the U.S.? Or is the responsibility of the Embassy?

Answer: Please refer to *Section C. 5.0 – Contractor Furnished Equipment and Materials* of the Solicitation. None of the equipment to be furnished by the contractor will be order or imported by the U. S. Government.

7. **Question:** As the access of all our staff, materials and vehicles within the restricted area of the Embassy? Is there any concession in respect of free transit, within working hours for, the outputs and inputs of workers, cars materials, if the shipyard is outside the Embassy?

Answer: There will be limited parking space inside the compound. Contractor will be able to store equipment and material inside.

8. **Question:** How are processed payments relating to the work that we propose run?

Answer: Refer to *E.4.3 Final Acceptance* - "Contracting Officer shall issue to the Contract a notice of final acceptance and make final payment as required by the contract plan."

9. **Question:** There is an advance with the award of the tender to start implementation of the work? and what percentage?

Answer: There will not be advance payment.

10. **Question:** Implementation of the work is done in stages or will be considered by all?

Answer: When Notice to Proceed is given, the Contractor shall begin performance within 7 calendar days and complete it within 30 calendar days after receiving notice to proceed.

11. **Question:** What is the estimated time for implementation of the work?

Answer: the Contractor shall begin performance within 7 calendar days and complete it within 30 calendar days after receiving notice to proceed.

12. **Question:** K5-ref 52.204-8, paragraph (3) refers to a certificate?

Answer: Section K – Contractor needs to answer the appropriate questions through out Section 5.