

## Questions and Answers on WIPP M&O RFP (Q.1 – Q.10):

- Q1. C.3.1.3.3: The records management scope is currently being transferred from the current contractor (WTS) to the CBFO. Does DOE anticipate that the contractor will assume the records management scope of work from the CBFO?
- A1. The scope of work in the Performance Work Statement (PWS) Section C.3.1.3.3 has not been transferred and the Contractor is responsible for performing the work in Section C.3.1.3.3. Records archive work that was being performed by WTS was recently transferred to DOE; but the PWS Section accurately reflects the work to be performed by the Contractor.
- Q2. C.3.1.11 states, “The Contractor shall maintain the existing or equivalent project management system for the EM program including EM project baselines.” Will DOE define “EM program” or confirm that the EM program is the National TRU Waste Program?
- A2. The “EM Program” includes all work associated with the management and operation of the facility and the National TRU Program. The RFP will be amended to clarify the definition of “EM Program”.
- Q3. C.3.1.11 states, “The Contractor shall maintain the existing or equivalent project management system for the EM program including ... Integrated Planning, Accountability and Budgeting System (IPABS).” Currently, this is a DOE CBFO maintained system. Does DOE anticipate that the contractor will maintain the system or that the contractor will provide input to DOE for IPABS? If the contractor is to maintain the IPABS, will DOE provide access to the system?
- A3. No, the Contractor will not maintain the IPABS system. The Contractor will provide input to DOE for IPABS.
- Q4. C.3.1.11 states, “The Contractor shall maintain the existing or equivalent project management system for the EM program including ... execution and life-cycle planning process (including standard project management handbook).” Will DOE clarify what the “standard project management handbook” is?
- A4. Refer to Section J, Attachment A, DOE Order 413.3B and the National Defense Industrial Association (NDIA), Earned Value Management Systems Intent Guide (ANSI/EIA-748-B).
- Q5. C.4.1.2.1, Waste Disposal Facilities states, “The Contractor shall implement a robust corrosion and preventive maintenance program and semi-annually conduct a thorough review of all buildings and systems to identify problem areas.” We interpret the review is related to corrosion only. Is this interpretation correct? In addition, what deliverables are expected resulting from the review?

- A5. No. While the building and systems review would primarily be focused on corrosion issues, any issues/problem areas related to maintenance should also be identified. The Contractor should use the results of this review to prioritize maintenance activities and document the reviews in the Maintenance Plan(s) submitted within six months of award as well as the annual maintenance plan (C.3.1.5). The budget and integrated schedules will also need to be updated, as applicable, to reflect the results of the reviews.
- Q6. H.41 Information Technology, Cyber Security. Will DOE replace the requirement to meet DOE O 205.1A with DOE O 205.1B?
- A6. Section H.41 will be amended to revise from DOE O 205.1A to DOE O 205.1B.
- Q7. L.34(a)(2) last paragraph. DOE states each Offeror will be given at least two weeks notice of the date, time, location, and other instruction related to its Orals presentation. Will DOE provide a timeframe of how long after the proposal due date the Oral Presentations are expected to be conducted?
- A7. It is anticipated that Oral Presentations will be conducted within one month of receipt of proposals. DOE will provide two weeks notice of the date, time, location, and other instructions related to the Oral Presentations.
- Q8. M.1(b) and M.3(c). Would DOE consider increasing the page count for Volume II from 50 to 100 pages to permit bidders to provide more detail in addressing the “essential requirements of the RFP” M.1.(b) and “the depth, quality, effectiveness and completeness” M.3(c) of the management approach?
- A8. Section L.16(g) -- The page count will remain unchanged.
- Q9. Section H.8(b) states “The Contractor shall use the transition plan submitted with the proposal as the basis for beginning the transition activities immediately upon award of the contract.” Section L.34(c) calls for a transition approach rather than a full transition plan to be submitted with the proposal. Suggest the sentence in Section H be deleted.
- A9. The RFP will be amended to clarify.
- Q10. Section C 4.1.2.4 states “The Contractor shall maintain and update, as appropriate, its Site Sustainability Plan (as required elsewhere in the contract) to include detailed plans and milestones for achieving site-specific energy efficiency goals and objectives.” However, the Site Sustainability Plan is not mentioned “elsewhere in the contract”. Suggest the statement is removed or DOE provide additional information about the content and requirements of the Site Sustainability Plan.

A10. The requirement for the Site Sustainability Plan is found in DOE Order 430.2B which was included in the RFP. This Order has been recently replaced by DOE Order 436.1, Departmental Sustainability. The RFP will be amended to include the new order and the language revised in Section C to replace “as required elsewhere in the contract” with “as required by DOE O 436.1, Departmental Sustainability”.

**Note: The Non-Disclosure Agreement to Access DOE WIPP Sensitive Information Data Form has been revised.**