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1	L	18(d)	27	For proposal preparation purposes, the Offeror shall assume a 60- day Contract Transition Period beginning January 1, 2025...	Will the Offeror transition team be required to have offices and staff at each PPPO location or can a central location, Lexington KY, with travel to the sites be acceptable?	The Contractor shall manage its Transition team to meet the Goals stated in the Final RFP, PWS Section C.1.1(a).  Amendment 0001 will be issued to revise Final RFP Section C.1.1(b) to state, "Logistics. DOE will provide one office at each of the Portsmouth, Paducah and Lexington sites to utilize during the 60-day Contract Transition period. Wi-Fi connectivity will also be available. The Contractor shall establish the necessary logistical support (additional office space, computers, telephone, etc.) to execute the 60-day Contract Transition period and shall ensure all necessary personnel, including the required key personnel (Program Manager, Portsmouth Project Manager, Paducah Project Manager, OSMS Project Manager, and Information Technology (IT) Manager), are available during the Contractor Transition period, unless specifically approved by the CO."
2	L-6	DPLH		Column D- Total FTEs	Are the number of Total FTE's presented actual staff personnel currently performing on the contract or representative of total capacity?  Can DOE provide a "notional or functional" organization chart depicting how personnel are assigned?	The Attachment L-6 Direct Productive Labor Hours (DPLH) or Total Full-Time Equivaqlents (FTEs) represent the estimated level of effort for the anticipated labor categories and are based on current actuals and anticipated hours.  No. In accordance with Section L.15(a), the Offeror shall propose its Organization. DOE will evaluate the proposed Organization in accordance with Section M.2(a).
3	A	SF-33	Block 9	...The established due date and time for receipt of proposal submission is April 9, 2024, by 4:00PM (1600 EDT),...	Will DOE provide an extension of proposal submission to April 23, 2024 by 4:00PM (1600 EDT)?	No. DOE does not anticipate extending the due date for proposals.
4	L	13(a)(1); 13(d)(1)	17;19	A Facility Clearance is required for this contract, although not necessarily prior to contract award. A favorable FOCI determination for this contract is required prior to contract award...	Can the offeror's fully owned subsidiary or division not possessing a favorable FOCI submit a proposal using the parent's favorable FOCI certification?	No. The Offeror, JV/LLC member(s), and Teaming Subcontractors (if applicable) who will perform work under a contract resulting from this solicitation and require access authorizations must obtain an affirmative (favorable) FOCI determination prior to contract award.
5	L	L.11(e)(3); L.12(1)	L-9; L-12	Cost and pricing information in Volume I	L.11(e) states that "all cost and pricing information shall be submitted and addressed only in Volume III, Cost and Fee/Profit, unless otherwise specified." L.12 instructs offerors to include Section B fill-ins in Volume I. Please confirm that offerors should provide this information in both Volumes I and III.	Confirmed.
6	L	L.12(i)	15	Performance Guarantee	Is a performance guarantee required if the Offeror is a single corporation rather than a joint venture, limited liability company, or other similar entity?	Yes. In accordance with Section H.16 <i>DOE-H-2016 Performance Guarantee Agreement (Oct 2014)</i> , "The Contractor's parent organization(s) or all member organizations if the Contractor is a joint venture, limited liability company, or other similar entity, shall guarantee performance of the contract as evidenced by the Performance Guarantee Agreement incorporated in the Contract in Section J, Attachment J 8."
7	L	L.18(h)(6)	29	Key Personnel Compensation	L.18(h)(6) states, "The Offeror shall propose the total annual compensation, exclusive of bonuses paid from fee, and associated fringe benefits for proposed Key Personnel for a period of one year (TBD) utilizing the Key Personnel worksheet within Attachment L-6." Does "TBD" suggest that this requirement is still being developed?	Amendment 0001 will be issued to revise Final RFP Section L.18(h)(6) to add the year (January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025) instead of (TBD).
8	C	C.3 General Oversight Work Activities	12, 1 paragraph, last sentence	Overtime	"...Oversight may occur on back shift, holidays, and weekends in addition to normal work-week schedules..." Is the backshift and weekend work an altered work schedule or is it overtime? If overtime, are hours for the anticipated overtime listed here and elsewhere in Section C included in the L-6, Cost and Fee Proposal Workbook, DPLH worksheet?	The provided DPLH is provided for proposal preparation purposes only.
9	C	C.3.1 - Technical Oversight Work Activities	13, 1st full paragraph	Paducah Onsite Disposal Cell (OSDC)	Does this technical and management support include efforts to receive approval from the Low-Level Waste Disposal Facility Federal Review Group (LFRG)?	The Contractor shall follow the PWS requirements identified in the Final RFP Section C.3.1 which includes participation in technical and status summary meetings.
10	C	C.3.1 - Technical Oversight Work Activities	13, 1st full paragraph	Paducah Onsite Disposal Cell (OSDC)	What is the current forecast schedule of the OSDC?	Additional information regarding this question will be made available as CUI. The corresponding CUI index posted to the EMCBC PPPO TSS procurement website will be revised to list the additional files. Individuals who previously submitted NDA forms to receive CUI prior to the posting of these Q&As need not submit new NDAs, however, individuals must send another email request to the PPPOTSS2@emcbc.doe.gov to receive the newly added CUI.
11	C ; J-3	C.3.2 Regulatory Oversight ; J-13 deliverable No. 14	C-13 ; J-3-3	Agreements milestones and decision document report	Deliverable no 14., "Agreements milestones and decision document report" was not located in Section C.3.2. Please clarify the intent of this deliverable	As noted in Final RFP Section C.3.2, The intent of the section is to provide oversight support and verify field activities are in compliance with regulatory documents. The "Agreement milestones and decision document report" fulfills the requirements for work activities identified in C.3.2 and is to be provided as Information.
12	C	C.4 Nuclear Material Oversight	14	...c) Provide special project coordination and support for activities such as International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) initiatives, securing Helium-3 (He3) tubes and portable Criticality Accident Alarm System (CAAS) units from other sites, transfer of autoclaves to support other program offices, and support for the work-for-others historical activities...	Will this require interfacing with other sites in the DOE Complex outside of PPPO?	The method in which the Contractor completes the special coordination and support may entail interfacing with other entities. This will be handled on a case by case basis and discussed with PPPO personnel prior to taking action.
13	J	J-13 deliverables Nos. 16 - 20	J-3-3	Oversight Annual Report, DOE summary Status Report, DOE Facility Representative Oversight Report, Accident/Incident Investigation Report, Contractor Monthly Safety Statistics, DOE Quarterly Negative Trend Analysis Report	The Reference/Driver is listed as C.4, but the driver appears to be from Section C.2. Please clarify.	Amendment 0001 will be issued to revise Final RFP Attachment J-3 Contract Deliverables to correction the PWS citations from C.4 to C.2 for Deliverables 16-20.

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14	C	Section C.5 Nuclear Safety Basis Oversight and Safety Management Program Support	15 ; 16	Safety Evaluation Report (SER)	<p>Page C-15 states. e) <i>Technical review of any safety basis changes that occur (e.g., as emerging from Readiness Reviews). Anticipated work activities include participation in interface meetings between PPPO and the Contractor, review of draft and final changes, and preparation of Safety Evaluation Report (SER) revision(s).</i></p> <p>j) <i>Provide safety basis review and/or independent review of SERs as needed for all PPPO nuclear facilities.</i></p> <p>Page C-16 states c) <i>Prepare a SER on safety basis changes formally submitted to PPPO 30 days after submittal to PPPO. Provide input to PPPO project correspondence.</i></p> <p>d) <i>Provide Independent Review of PPPO SERs (e.g., General PPPO Nuclear Safety Support). Complete technical review and provide written comments to PPPO staff 10 Days after submittal to PPPO. Provide written comments, including recommendations and proposed fixes, as well as input to PPPO project correspondence.</i></p> <p>Is the Contractor expected to both develop and provide independent reviews on those SERs?</p>	The Contractor will be responsible for administratively preparing the report and providing the necessary technical input to substantiate and meet the requirements to support the DOE basis for approval of the Documented Safety Analysis and Technical Safety Requirements. The document will then be provided to PPPO for review and discussion as part of the Technical Support Services.
15	C	Section C.5 Nuclear Safety Basis Oversight and Safety Management Program Support	16	National Emissions Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants	<p>e) <i>Review onsite contractors' radiological submissions including, but not limited to, National emissions Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants, External Gamma, Annual Exposure Reports, and Radiation Survey Plans including recalculation of raw data to data is properly calculated and reported.</i></p> <p>This statement is specific to radiological constituents, but does the NESHAP review include other Hazardous Air Pollutants (i.e., non-radiological HAPs)? If so, then should this requirement be included in the Environmental Section?</p>	Offerors are encouraged to review the Documents Library located on the PPPO TSS procurement website ( <a href="https://www.emcbc.doe.gov/SEB/PPPOTSS">https://www.emcbc.doe.gov/SEB/PPPOTSS</a> ). No changes to PWS sections.
16	C	C.6 Environmental Risk Assessments	18	Risk assessment analysis/review	<p>1st paragraph of Section C.6, "The Contractor shall provide senior-level experienced and qualified personnel to provide risk assessment analysis/review of federal and site contractor risk documents for the project. This task requires coordination and attendance at technical meetings and periodic travel to Nashville, Tennessee; Lexington, Kentucky; Piketon, Ohio; and Paducah, Kentucky."</p> <p>Please provide the expected frequency and durations of these periodic meetings?</p>	The contractor shall assume attendance at technical meetings on a quarterly basis. Many of the risk meetings will have a virtual attendance option.
17	C	C.7.1.4 End User Support and Helpdesk Services	20	Helpdesk Service Level Agreement	<p>1st paragraph, last sentence of Section C.7.1.4, "...A Helpdesk service level agreement (SLA) shall be created, maintained, and submitted for approval, to meet helpdesk goals in which high priority tickets shall be responded to within one (1) hour, moderate priority tickets within three (3) hours, and low priority tickets within five (5) hours..."</p> <p>Is this requirement for normal work hours and/or does it also apply to non working hours (e.g., nights, weekends, holidays)?</p>	This applies to work hours as stated in Section C.7.1.4 End User Support and Helpdesk Services, "In order to ensure that PPPO personnel experience minimal computer down time, the Contractor shall provide personnel at the Lexington, Portsmouth and Paducah sites during regular business hours 6:30 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time (EST) Monday-Friday, excluding Federal holidays."
18	C	C.7.1.5 Network Operations and Systems Support	21	j) ii. Maintaining backup equipment, schedules, validation and offsite storage;	Is offsite storage the responsibility of the Contractor?	Yes. Amendment 0001 will be issued to update Attachment J-4 License Renewals and Service Agreements.
19	C	C.7.2.1 Federal Office Cyber Security Operations	24	Portsmouth/Paducah Project Office (PPPO) Cyber Security Program Plan (CSPP)	<p>"...a) Ensuring the PPPO federal office and information systems under its direct operational control are compliant with applicable regulatory requirements including but not limited to the current approved version of the Portsmouth/Paducah Project Office (PPPO) Cyber Security Program Plan (CSPP). The most current version of this document can be obtained by requesting it through the Contracting Officer. Compliance with the PPPO-CSPP also requires adherence to the Department of Energy (DOE) Enterprise (E)-CSPP, DOE Office of Environmental Management (EM)-CSPP, Federal laws, regulations, directives, policies, standards and guides pertaining to cyber security, as well as interrelated DOE issuances, directives, policies, and procedures identified in DOE..."</p> <p>Please provide the most current version of the PPPO CSPP.</p>	The PPPO CSPP is considered Controlled Unclassified Information (CUI) and may be requested by submitting the forms per the instructions available on the PPPO TSS procurement website: <a href="https://www.emcbc.doe.gov/SEB/PPPOTSS#reqouo">https://www.emcbc.doe.gov/SEB/PPPOTSS#reqouo</a>
20	C	C.10.3 Paralegal Assistance	41	Providing paralegal support	<p>Paralegal support does not appear to be included in the L-6 cost and fee proposal workbook, DPHL worksheet.</p> <p>Is this a new position and/or covered under one of the other FTE categories on the L-6 Cost and Fee Proposal Workbook?</p>	No. The Contractor shall assume paralegal support is included in other Labor Categories.
21	C	C.11.3 Project Controls at	45	Capital Asset Projects	<p>"...e) Support identification and development of capital assets, documentation (critical decision process) in accordance with DOE Order 413.3B or latest version, as required;..."</p> <p>It is assumed that the Paducah Onsite Disposal Cell (OSDC) will be a capital asset project, but are there additional projects at the site which are anticipated to be capital asset projects in accordance with DOE Order 413.3B?</p>	The OSDC construction is a capital asset project. The PPPO TSS scope associated with capital asset projects is to review the critical decision packages prepared by the other site contractors and prepare any additional presentations or materials needed to support DOE with HQ briefings on the capital projects.
22	C	C.11.3 Project Controls at	46	Capital Asset Projects	<p>"...e) Support identification and development of capital assets, documentation (critical decision process) in accordance with DOE Order 413.3B or latest version, as required;..."</p> <p>If there are additional projects at the site which are anticipated to be capital asset projects in accordance with DOE Order 413.3B, then please provide the current forecast schedule(s) for those projects?</p>	Process building demolition are also considered capital asset projects.

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23	C	C.13.2 Real Property Transfer	50 ; 51	Land Transfer	Does adequate data exist for completing the NEPA environmental assessment of Findings of No Significant Impact (FONSI) associated with property transfers or will additional data collection be required by one of the other PPPO contractors during the course of the contract period?	Other PPPO site contractors are responsible for providing NEPA information and documents to the PPPO TSS Contractor.
24	J	Attachment J-9 - GOVERNMENT FURNISHED SERVICES AND INFORMATION (GFS/I)	1 ; 2	cell/blackberry/smart phone equipment, mobile device management services, computer hardware, computer core software (PC), and internet service	Will the cell/blackberry/smart phone equipment, mobile device management services, computer hardware, computer core software (PC), internet service, etc., of the incumbent workforce be removed and new equipment/service to be provided by the Contractor? If so, then what is the expected timeline for the Contractor to have this equipment/service replaced to mitigate potential downtime?	Refer to the Final RFP Section C.1.1, Contract Transition.
25	H	H.25 DOE-H-2046 Diversity Program (Oct 2014)	35	Annual Diversity Report	"...(c) An annual diversity report shall be submitted pursuant to Section J, Attachment J-3 entitled, Contract Deliverables. This report shall provide a list of accomplishments achieved, both internally and externally during the current reporting period, and projected initiatives during the next reporting period. The report shall also list any proposed changes to the diversity plan which shall be subject to the CO's approval..."  The annual Diversity Report submittal was not located on Section J, Attachment J-3. Please clarify	Amendment 0001 will be issued to to add the Annual Diversity Report within Attachment J-3 Contract Deliverables .
26	H	H.48 Legal Management	50	Legal Support	Legal support does not appear to be included in the L-6 cost and fee proposal workbook, DPHL worksheet. Is legal support provided by the Contractor anticipated to be a FTE?	See response to Question 20.
27	L	L.12(c)	L-12	Standard Form 33, Solicitation, Offer and Award	L.12(c) states "Standard Form 33, Solicitation, Offer and Award - one signed (visibly identifiable scanned and /or time stamped digital signature) of the Standard Form (SF) 33 must be provided in addition to a copy for each set of the Volume I. " The proposal is to be submitted via FedConnect with no hard copies indicated in the solicitation instructions. Please clarify what is meant by "in addition to a copy for each set of the Volume I."	This language will be deleted via Amendment 0001. No hard copies are required.
28	L	L.18(h)(3)	L-29	Escalation	L.18(h)(3) states "The Offeror shall propose an escalation rate of 3 percent to each direct cost category for each year of the contract, starting in Year 2." DOE has provided plug numbers for each year in Attachment L-6 for Materials, Travel and ODCs. Should offerors escalate the plug numbers provided for Materials, Travel and ODCs?	No.
29	L	Attachment L-6	Tab "Total Cost"	Cost Worksheets - Row 12 Teaming Subcontractors	Regarding Attachment L-6 Cost Worksheets, tab "Total Costs," Rows 12 to 17 Teaming Subcontractors, if an offeror has multiple teaming subcontractors, should the offeror combine all teaming subcontractors on Rows 12 to 17 or should an offeror insert additional rows to accommodate each teaming subcontractor?	Yes. Offerors may insert additional rows to accommodate each teaming subcontractor.
30				General Comment	Will DOE please provide a copy of the current incumbents organization chart	No. In accordance with Section L.15(a), the Offeror shall propose its Organization. DOE will evaluate the proposed Organization in accordance with Section M.2(a).
31	C	C.11.3	44	Project Controls and Baseline Support	Please provide a copy of the PPPO Integrated Site-Wide Cycle Baseline (ISWLCB)	Additional information regarding this question will be made available as CUI. The corresponding CUI index posted to the EMCBC PPPO TSS procurement website will be revised to list the additional files. Individuals who previously submitted NDA forms to receive CUI prior to the posting of these Q&As need not submit new NDAs, however, individuals must send another email request to the PPTOTSS2@emcbc.doe.gov to receive the newly added CUI.  Offerors are also encouraged to review the EM Program Management Protocol 11-06-2020 (posted to the Documents Library) for associated PWS activities.
32	L	L.16 (c)	23	Letter of Commitment	Will DOE please consider changing the period of commitment for keys to match the base period which is 1 year 10 months?	No change, DOE has determined the current commitment period is appropriate.
33	L	L.17(a)	24	Past Performance	Will DOE please consider changing the period of performance from 5 years to 10 years? This is common in EPA , DOD and other government agency procurements and promotes a large pool of Offerors that promotes more small business to participate in these larger small business procurements.	No change. Past Performance information will not be expanded beyond the contracts that are, "currently being performed or have a period of performance end date within the last five (5) years from the original solicitation issuance date" as stated in the Final RFP Section L.17(a).
34	L	L-18	28	Labor Rates	Please confirm that if an Offeror uses the DOE provided labor rates, that Offerors are not required to provide a detailed basis of estimate including explanation of how the rates were developed.	Yes. If Offerors utilize the DOE provided labor rates (as stated in L.18(h)(2) are minimum base labor rates), the Offeror is not required to provide a detailed basis of estimate for direct labor. However, the Offeror shall state in its Cost Proposal that it used the DOE provided labor rates.