

West Valley Demonstration Project Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement Support Service: DE-SOL-0009226
Final RFP Industry Comment Template

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1	General	Work Location	N/A	The RFP does not provide a specific work location requirement. Is it expected to have a full time presence at the site for the duration of this contract? If so, what is the expectation regarding number of local/full-time personnel?	DOE does not expect local/full-time contractor personnel to be present at the WVDP site or Ashford Office Complex. As stated in Section F.3 Place of Performance, the majority of the work scope will be performed in the Contractor's own facilities. However, the Contractor may be required to be at the WVDP site or the Ashford Office Complex to support public meetings.
2	General	Conflict of Interest	NA	Given the sensitivity of SEIS stakeholders, we assume that any firm currently under contract to provide independent inputs to the SEIS, or analyses that are intended to provide a confirmation or an alternative view to information that would be contained in the SEIS, would be precluded from participating in this procurement because of potential conflicts of interests.	Refer to L.09(h), DOE-L-2002 PROPOSAL PREPARATION INSTRUCTIONS, VOLUME I – OFFER AND OTHER DOCUMENTS -- ALTERNATE VI (OCT 2015). "If the Offeror believes there is an existing or potential OCI, (including potential conflicts of interest regarding any follow-on work to this instant contract) the Offeror shall submit an appropriate draft mitigation plan in accordance with the requirements of Section H clause entitled, DOE-H-2035 Organizational Conflict of Interest Management Plan. If the Department identifies an existing or potential OCI, the Offeror shall submit any information requested by the Department, including a draft mitigation plan (see FAR 9.5 for requirements)."
3	Cover Letter	Proposal Due Date	1	The subject RFP deals with topics which have long term environmental stewardship and care repercussions. These topics require a great deal of careful consideration. We desire to provide DOE and NYSERDA with the most accurate, complete and comprehensive submittal possible in regard to this RFP so that long term decisions are made in the most appropriate light possible. However, the relatively abbreviated response time coupled with the complexity and detail required to complete an adequate response creates a situation that is not conducive to constructing the most responsive submittal possible. Therefore, we request that DOE and NYSERDA extend the RFP due date two weeks, until September 15, 2016.	The proposal due date will be extended to September 8, 2016.
4	Cover Letter	Proposal Due Date	1	The established due date for proposal submission is September 1, 2016. Due to summer holidays and non-availability of clients to do past performance evaluation in time, we respectfully request the proposal submission date be extended till September 9, 2016.	The proposal due date will be extended to September 8, 2016.
5	C.01 Purpose	Item 7	C-2	Regarding Item 7. "Preparation of applications for permitting or licensing modifications for the SDA needed to implement NYSERDA's Phase 2 decision for the SDA.", given the uncertainty/risk associated with this deliverable, would DOE consider adding an optional CLIN to address the possibility of extended work?	This is a time-and-materials contract. There will be no CLIN added for additional work. If additional scope is added, a bilateral contract modification will be executed.
6	Section C.03.1.2	Third Party Contractor PPA	C-5	Because close coordination is required with the PPA contractor, knowledge of their planned schedule is key to developing our approach and schedule. Can you please provide their current deliverables schedule?	Section C.03.1.5, Page C-9, indicates the PPA contractor will have a probabilistic model framework available within 9 months of the award of the SEIS contract.

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7	C.03.1.3 Foot Note	Contract Rates	C-6	"While no decision has been made on the number of alternatives to be evaluated in the SEIS, for proposal cost estimating purposes the contractor should assume five (5) alternatives: (Total Removal, Close in Place, No Action, Hybrid 1, and Hybrid 2)." Given the uncertainty/risk associated with the final number of alternatives, would DOE consider adding an optional CLIN to address the possibility of additional alternatives?	This is a time-and-materials contract. There will be no CLIN added for additional work. If additional scope is added a bilateral contract modification will be executed.
8	C.03 / C.03.1.4 and Section J / Attachment J-2	Preparation of Conceptual Design Reports	C-7 and C-8	There seems to be an inconsistency in the description of the Reports in Section C.03.1.4 versus what is stated for this deliverable in Section J, Attachment J-2. Section C.03.1.4 requests Detailed Engineering Reports and Section J, Attachment J-2 notes Conceptual Engineering Design Reports. Please clarify.	Both Section C.03.1.4 and Section J, Attachment J-2 request Conceptual Engineering Design Reports. "Detailed" was removed from Section C.03.1.4 for clarity.
9	J/Attachment J-1	Positions Qualifications	1 and 2	Key Personnel descriptions read very prescriptive to the WV Project, can they be revised to allow for proven comparable experience? Will proposed key candidates be disqualified if they do not meet all position description requirements?	The Offeror shall propose its Key Personnel in accordance with the RFP requirements and comply with provisions L.11 Proposal Preparation Instructions, Volume II - Experience (OCT 2015) and M.3 Evaluation Factor - Key Personnel to demonstrate proven comparable experience.
10	J/Attachment J-1	Positions Qualifications	1, 2, and 3	The RFP states in All key personnel positions that collateral duties as proposed by the contractor may be included. Clarification of the aforementioned is appreciated.	The term collateral duties is being used to capture any duties that may be assigned that are not specifically covered in the key personnel position description.
11	J/Attachment J-2	Deliverables	2	Deliverable 5: (Section C.03 Phase 2 Decision Making Schedule for the WVDP, WNYNSC, and SDA). "Draft Schedule within 30 days of issuance of the NTP". Will DOE consider increasing the delivery of the Draft Schedule to within 60 days of issuance of the NTP?	The deliverable will not be changed. 30 days is a sufficient timeframe to develop a draft schedule.
12	Attachment L-6	Labor Categories, Rates, and Estimated Hours Spreadsheet	Attachment L-6 Page 1 of 3	For a LLC can the Offeror use GSA rates for the listed labor categories from the parent companies? Does the same apply to subcontractors?	The Offeror, and any proposed subcontractors, can propose any rate they deem appropriate to perform the requirements of this RFP.
13	L.08 (h) (1)	Submittal of Questions	L-9	The RFP states that Questions regarding this solicitation must be submitted to Jodi.Gordon@emcbc.doe.gov no later than 20 calendar days prior to the proposal due date. Since the RFP was issued on August 2nd, 2016, the final due date for questions is August 21, 2016. However, the Cover Letter indicates deadline for questions is August 12, 2016. Are we to assume that we have until August 21 to ask questions?	In accordance with L.08(h) Questions were due not later than 20 days prior to the proposal due date. The Proposal due date is September 1, 2016, thus the due date for questions (20 days prior to the due date of September 1) was August 12, 2016. The due date for questions will not be extended.
14	L	Questions Period	L-9	As no questions have been answered as of 2 weeks before the proposal due date, we would further respectfully request an extension of the due date to ensure that all responses can be fully incorporated into our proposal. This is a complex solicitation involving many stakeholders, and it requires a well-developed and well-thought out response.	The proposal due date will be extended to September 8, 2016.
15	L	Questions Period	L-9	DOE has requested that all questions be submitted 20 days prior to the RFP Due Date of September 1, which would have been August 12th. As we prepare the proposal, additional questions have arisen. We would respectfully ask that the Government extend the due date for questions to August 22nd to ensure that we can provide the most accurate proposal for DOE.	The due date for questions will not be extended.

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16	L.09 / L.09 (h)	Organizational Conflict of Interest	L-13	Please confirm that performing work on this Contract, in compliance with Section C, Performance Work Statement, and providing deliverables in accordance with Section J, Attachment J-2, Deliverables, would not prevent the Key Subcontractors of the SB Prime from bidding on, being awarded the contract, or performing the future Dismantlement, Decommissioning, and Remediation work on the WVDP M&O Contract.	DOE cannot confirm that performing work on this contract will or will not impact future work for any potential contractor based on each individual situation. Refer to L.09(h), DOE-L-2002 PROPOSAL PREPARATION INSTRUCTIONS, VOLUME I – OFFER AND OTHER DOCUMENTS -- ALTERNATE VI (OCT 2015). "If the Offeror believes there is an existing or potential OCI, (including potential conflicts of interest regarding any follow-on work to this instant contract) the Offeror shall submit an appropriate draft mitigation plan in accordance with the requirements of Section H clause entitled, DOE-H-2035 Organizational Conflict of Interest Management Plan. If the Department identifies an existing or potential OCI, the Offeror shall submit any information requested by the Department, including a draft mitigation plan (see FAR 9.5 for requirements)."
17	L.10	Past Performance	L-13	If a reference contract is a DOE-issued tri-party contract. Should the past performance request be sent to DOE and other partnering agency?	The past performance request should be sent to the agency that issued the contract with the entity.
18	L.13	Factor 4 Past Performance contents	L-17	Can DOE please confirm that the L-1 Past Performance and Experience Reference Form should be included in Factor 4 as well as in Factor 1: Experience?	As stated in L.10 DOE-L-2009 PROPOSAL PREPARATION INSTRUCTIONS, VOLUME II –EXPERIENCE (OCT 2015) "Only one completed Attachment L-1, Past Performance and Experience Reference Information Form shall be submitted for each contract or project to support both the Experience and Past Performance factors. The completed Attachment L-1 forms, shall be organized under the Past Performance Factor in Volume II for proposal submission purposes."
19	Section L.13 Paragraph H	Past Performance Questionnaire	L-19	The RFP specifies that Past Performance Questionnaires are due Thursday, August 18, 2016. We request that the Past Performance due date be extended until Thursday, September 1, 2016.	The Past Performance Questionnaire due date will be extended to be consistent with the due date for proposals, which will be extended to September 8, 2016.
20	L	Past Performance Questionnaire.	L-19	Past Performance Questionnaires are due to DOE two weeks prior to the due date, which would be August 18th. Many Government client contacts are very busy in the 4th quarter of the Government's fiscal year, and this is a very aggressive timeframe to obtain PPQ forms. Can DOE please consider extending this due date to the 25th of August?	The Past Performance Questionnaire due date will be extended to be consistent with the due date for proposals which will be extended to September 8, 2016.