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21	Table B-1	Pricing Schedule	B-2	Will there be a single fully burdened hourly rate for all subcontracted labor within a labor category, or can different subcontractors have different rates?	Different subcontractor rates are acceptable, provided that the necessary Section B columns are added for those rates.
22	B.3	Non labor cost - indirect ceiling	B-7	Does Clause B.3 - Non labor cost - indirect ceiling - apply to subcontractors? Must a single ceiling rate be applied to all team members, or may be individual rates be used?	The Non-labor cost indirect ceiling applies to the Prime Contractor that would be purchasing the material.
23	C.03.1.1	Phase 2 Decision-making Schedule	C-4	In Section C, Subsection C.03.1.1, para. 2: There appears to be a missing footnote 2.	The footnote 2 on page C-5 is a typo; there is no footnote 2 on page C-5.
24	C.02 and C.03.1.5	PWS Background	C-3, C-8	In Section C, Subsections C.02 and C.03.1.5: Do DOE and NYSERDA anticipate be able to provide a schedule for the submittal/release of Phase I Studies and additional "scientific studies" such that an accurate project schedule can be proposed?	The Phase I Studies are expected to be complete in March 2018.
25	H.25	Section H: Special Contract Requirements	H-16	Can DOE clarify the extent to which the Contractor must comply with NQA-1-2008, Quality Assurance Requirements for Nuclear Facility Applications?" Is this limited to development of a Quality Assurance Plan based on NQA-1-2008, or must other workplace requirements (e.g., internal audits & inspections, supply chain) in this standard be met?	As stated in clause H.1 of the RFP, Quality Assurance System, NQA-1 Part I and the applicable portions of Part II are required to be implemented. Implementation is based on the graded approach defined in DOE Order 414.1D, Section 6.0 "Definitions", paragraph h. "Graded Approach" and paragraph 7.0 EM QA PROGRAM of EM-QA-001 Revision 1. NQA-1 2008 Parts III and IV are used as guidance.
26	Attachment J-1	Position Qualifications	1	<p>The work experience requirements of the Principal Project Manager requires the combined experience and expertise as the three Senior Project Managers for the SEIS, Decommissioning, and Licensing/Permitting tasks. The combination of work experience elements for the Principal Project Manager (i.e., directly managing the preparation of ALL of the cited documentation) is extremely restrictive and may eliminate individuals that are otherwise highly qualified to lead a multidisciplinary team and effectively serve in this role, thereby significantly limiting competition on this procurement. These types of documentation are often supported by firms with differing qualifications and resources, and in some cases, there are inherent conflict of interest constraints that would often prevent firms, or an individual within a firm, from preparing more than one of these types of documents. Thus, increasing the rarity of one individual with experience managing the preparation of all these documents. Would DOE please consider refining the requirements for Principal Project Manager to demonstrated experience managing similar efforts and multidisciplinary teams, with demonstrated knowledge and understanding of each technical area? For example:</p> <p>...must have demonstrated experience in a wide range of areas related to environmental planning and impact assessment efforts at U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) licensed, and/or U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) regulated facilities that have the complexity of those at the WVDP and WNYNSC. Must specifically have demonstrated experience managing the preparation of environmental impact statements (EIS), supplemental environmental impact statements (SEIS), decommissioning plans (DP), or environmental permitting/licensing actions. In addition, the Principal Project Manager must have demonstrated knowledge related to EISs, SEIS, DP, and environmental permitting/licensing, and experience directing multidisciplinary teams for efforts of similar complexity. The individual shall have a minimum of a Bachelor of Science degree in mathematics, engineering, or physical sciences and 10 or more years of project management experience."</p>	The Key Personnel requirements will remain unchanged.
27	Att J-1	Personnel Qualifications	2	Could DOE confirm that the "Senior Project Manager" position described on page 2 of Attachment J-1 is the labor category DOE considers to be appropriate for the individual managing the SOW elements related to licensing and permit modifications at the WVDP?	This is the labor category DOE deems appropriate. The Senior Project Manager must have demonstrated experience in managing the preparation of license applications and permit modifications for DOE, EPA, NRC, and state regulated radioactive waste land disposal facilities.

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28	Att J-1	Personnel Qualifications	2	Could DOE confirm that the "Senior Project Manager" position, if it is meant for the individual managing the licensing and permit modifications tasks, is NOT considered a key staff position (as are the other Project Manager positions), and does NOT require a full resume within the proposal? If it is not considered KEY, may a resume still be provided without this being considered an exceedance of page limits?	All Key Personnel Positions are marked (Key Personnel) in Attachment J-1. Additionally, in accordance with M.3, "DOE will evaluate the proposed key personnel qualifications and suitability for their proposed positions in relation to the work for which they are proposed to perform and areas of responsibility." DOE will not evaluate any other proposed positions, nor any additional resumes submitted for any non-Key Personnel Positions.
29	Att J-1	Personnel Qualifications	2	Could DOE confirm whether the Subject Matter Expert for the Decommissioning Plan is meant to be a KEY staff position (requiring a resume)? This appeared confusing, as several individuals might fulfill this role, while the role of Senior Project Manager for licensing/permitting work (likely a single individual) is not listed as KEY.	All Key Personnel Positions are marked (Key Personnel) in Attachment J-1. Additionally, in accordance with M.3, "DOE will evaluate the proposed key personnel qualifications and suitability for their proposed positions in relation to the work for which they are proposed to perform and areas of responsibility." DOE will not evaluate any other proposed positions, nor any additional resumes submitted for any non-Key Personnel Positions.
30	L	Primavera Schedule	L - 9	Under item 7 of the Proposal Specifications, the RFP states "The proposal schedule shall be submitted as Primavera P6, "XER" file type." However, the proposal instructions and evaluation factors do not include instructions pertaining to a proposal schedule. Can DOE please confirm that no Proposal Schedule is required with the proposal.	No proposal schedule is required to be submitted with the proposal. The cited language does not apply to this RFP.
31	L.09(e)(1)	Proposal Instructions; Subcontractors and other entities	L-11	Section L, Subsection L.09 (e)(1): This section indicates that major and critical subcontractors count toward fulfillment of the Section H Self-Performed Work requirement and other small business goals in this Contract. The referenced requirement is not included in Section H.	There are no Self-Performed Work requirements or Small Business Goals in this RFP.
32	L.09(e)(1)	Proposal Instructions; Subcontractors and other entities	L-11	On June 30, 2016, the Small Business Administration (SBA) issued a final rule clarifying that any subcontracted work performed by similarly situated small businesses counts as being self-performed for the purposes of limitations on subcontracting by small business prime contractors. We recommend that this new SBA ruling be considered in Section L and referenced in Section H.	The Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) has not been revised to reflect the Small Business Administration's Final Rule. When the FAR is updated or other guidance for agency implementation of the ruling is issued by DOE, solicitations and contracts will be revised to incorporate the guidance, as applicable.

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33	L.09(e)(1)	Proposal Instructions; Subcontractors and other entities	L-11	Section L, Subsection L.09 (e)(1): Is the Contractor permitted to utilize any individual member(s) of any of a Phase 1 Studies Working Group as a subcontractor?	The Offeror can propose any entity deemed appropriate to perform the requirements of this RFP, however refer to L.09(h), DOE-L-2002 PROPOSAL PREPARATION INSTRUCTIONS, VOLUME 1 – 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)."
34	M.3	Evaluation Factors	M-4	Can personnel other than the designated 4 Key personnel be identified and their qualifications included in the proposal (i.e., in a summary chart)? If so, what is their importance in Contractor selection?	In accordance with M.3, "DOE will evaluate the proposed key personnel qualifications and suitability for their proposed positions in relation to the work for which they are proposed to perform and areas of responsibility." DOE will not evaluate any other proposed positions.