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18	SF 33 Block 9. Proposal Due Date	*General	Since the receipt of questions has been extended to November 13 and the answers are likely a week or more following that date we respectfully request an extension of the due date to be 4 weeks following the publication of the answers to the questions, since the responses to the questions will have significant impact on the offers.	DOE has decided to extend the due date for proposals to Wednesday December 23, 2020. A forthcoming modification will reflect this change in the RFP.
19	A	*General	The Government has a proposal due date of 12/14/2020. Due to the ongoing Covid restrictions will the Government allow an extension of 7 or 14 days to facilitate open competition?	See answer above.
20	I.2	I-04	The Government lists in block I.73 "State of New Mexico Gross Receipts and Compensation Tax (APR 2003) (Applies to T&M task orders only)", as an Authorized Deviation in Clauses. Can the Government clarify if the bidder will need to list the clause as a deviation to the RFP?	There is no authorized deviation in Clause I.73; the clause remains as prescribed in the FAR. This Contract may include Task Orders of multiple contract types; DOE indicated that this clause is only applicable to Time & Materials task orders.
21	CTAC RFP Pricing Worksheet	J-7	Is the New Mexico Gross Receipts Tax included in the estimate that DOE has provided in J-7 DOE-Provided Non-Labor Costs? If not, where do we show the New Mexico Gross Receipts Tax as a cost?	Yes. NMGRT is a non-labor cost which is included in DOE's estimated Non-Labor costs provided in J-7.
22	CTAC Pricing Worksheet Final	L-04 Total Price	The NTE Dollar Amount under the Total Price is only adding up Years 1-3. Is that total supposed to include Years 1-5 – for all years priced?	Yes. Cell H26 on the Excel worksheet should include the sum of the NTE Dollar amounts from Years 1-5. The formula in H26 currently is only pulling Years 1-3. An updated Excel file will be provided in a forthcoming RFP Amendment.
23	Section L(g)(6)(iv)	L-05	In RFP section L(g)(6)(iv) it states, "The proposed schedule shall be submitted as a Primavera P6, "XER" file type." Would the government please clarify what this schedule is to entail and where it is to be included in the proposal submittal?	Offerors need not submit a schedule in Volume III. This subparagraph (iv) will be removed in a forthcoming RFP Amendment.
24	L.4(i) EEO Compliance	L-09	Section L.4.(i) , pg L-9, Equal Opportunity Compliance cites a "first tier subcontractor" as being one that has a possible scope award value of >\$10 M requiring submission of EO documentation. However Section L.8.(b), pg L-14, Major Subcontractors, identifies "major subcontractors" as a subcontractor at any tier with a possible scope award value of >\$2 M. Are major subcontractors and first tier subcontractors interchangeable in this RFP? Or if we are a major subcontractor with a possible scope award value of between \$2M and \$10 M exempt from the requirements of Section L.4.(i)?	These are separate proposal instructions. The \$10M amount in Section L.4(i) is consistent with FAR 52.222-24. Major subcontractors with a possible scope award value between \$2M and \$10M are exempt from the requirements of Section L.4(i).
25	L.4(j) Facility Clearance Verification	L-09	Section L.4.(j), pg L-9, Facility Clearance Verification, establishes FOCI requirements. If the offeror is a newly formed JV, where each member of the JV has a cleared FOCI determination, but the JV itself does not yet have a cleared FOCI determination, will this make the JV ineligible for an award?	No, this would not make the JV ineligible for award. The Offeror shall complete the instructions consistent with Section L.4(j).

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26	L.4(j) Facility Clearance Verification	L-09	<p><i>The Offeror shall submit the following for 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 (see Section L provision entitled, DEAR 952.204-73, Facility Clearance) . The referenced Section L provision is provided in L.5 which indicates that the clause will be issued by amendment with revisions. Is this forthcoming? Also, what does the government mean "and require access authorizations " in the clause L.4(j)?</i></p>	<p>Yes, a forthcoming RFP amendment will include the deviated form of DEAR 952.204-73. That amendment might not be released until after the due date for proposal submission.</p> <p>Not all work scope will require access to classified or controlled information. Subcontractors that are proposed to perform only work that does not require such access need not go through the clearance process described in Subsection L.4(j).</p>
27	L.8 (g)	L-15	<p>Section L requires a past performance questionnaire (PPQ) be completed by our client for the reference project. The DOE prime contractor, in the case of a project we would like to use, maintains a policy of not completing PPQs for proposals. In the case of the reference project, we are a minority partner of a JV performing this work. The majority partner is fully aware of our performance on the reference contract and they maintain all direct coordination with the prime contractor. Because the DOE prime contractor will not complete the PPQ, can the majority partner of the JV complete the PPQ and if so, how will that be viewed by DOE in scoring?</p>	<p>No. The PPQ must be completed by the client consistent with Section L.8(g).</p>
28	Section L.3(i)	L-05	<p>Will the government provide answers to questions a minimum of two weeks prior to proposal submittal so that offerors may incorporate answers to questions within their submittal?</p>	<p>DOE will extend the due date for proposals to Wednesday December 23, 2020 in a forthcoming modification.</p>
29	Section L, Para. L.3(m) and Para. L.3(n)	L-06	<p>Both paragraphs address "Content of resulting contract". The content is similar but does not agree. Please clarify.</p>	<p>Subsection (n) is correctly worded. Subsection (m) will be removed in a forthcoming RFP amendment.</p>
30	L.4 (c) (3) SF 33 Block 12.	L-07	<p>This instruction says to insert 270 days into Block 12 of the SF33. The Draft SF33 included in the RFP package already has 180 days in Block 12 and during the Pre-Proposal conference of November 10, 2020 slide 42 of 72 it says that the minimum acceptance period is 180 days. Shall Block 12 of the SF33 say 180 days or 270?</p>	<p>Proposals must be valid for at least 270 days after the due date for proposal submissions. A forthcoming RFP amendment will align both the SF-33 and L.4(c)(3)</p>

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31	L.7 (c)	L-11	The Technical and Management approach evaluates the organizational structure proposed by each bidder. However, the cost attachment fixes the managers that bidders can propose to: PM, QA Manager, QA Assistant Manager, Business Operations Manager. Are bidders required to propose only these managers? Are bidders free to propose other managers in accordance with their organizational approach?	<p>For the purposes of the Key Personnel evaluation, and in accordance with the RFP Section L.7(c), the Offeror shall propose the following required positions as Key Personnel: Program Manager and Quality Assurance (QA) Manager. In addition to the required positions, the Offeror shall propose any other key personnel for those technical and management positions it considers essential to the successful performance of the contract. Offerors must describe their proposed organizational approach -- which may include additional Key Personnel and/or managers in non-Key Personnel roles -- in accordance with the RFP.</p> <p>Offerors who choose to propose additional or differing labor positions from the DOE-provided positions should provide a crosswalk, see Subsection L.9(g), and make any necessary alterations to the pricing worksheets to reflect their proposed labor categories.</p>
32	L.7 (a)	L-11	The Technical and Management approach evaluates the organizational structure proposed by each bidder. However, the cost attachment fixes the managers that bidders can propose to: PM, QA Manager, QA Assistant Manager, Business Operations Manager. Is the preference of the client that the QA Manager is the only technical manager and to have all technical resources under the QA Manager?	Same as above.
33	L.7 (c) 5 (i) Key Personnel Resumes	L-12	This section references the provision of resumes in the format provided in Attachment L-11. We could not find attachment L-11 in the RFP.	Attachment L-11 was omitted in error. It will be added in a forthcoming RFP amendment.
34	L.7 (c)(7)(i)	L-13	For a person who has acted as a key personnel member such as program manager for an existing contract, what kind of professional career growth or progression in the last five years would the DOE expect to be demonstratable?	Each offeror is in the best position to describe the experience and qualifications of its personnel and shall propose them as they see fit. DOE intentionally used expansive language in order to allow for varied experiences. Please see Section L.7(c) for Key Personnel requirements.
35	Pre-Proposal Conference Presentation; L.8; Atch. L-1	L-14; L-23 (Slide 54)	Please confirm Offerors are "limited to up to five pages per reference contract/project" per Pre-Proposal Conference Presentation Slide 54. (Both Section L.8 and Attachment L-1 cite "four pages per reference contract/project.")	<p>In accordance with the RFP, Section L-8, Attachment L-1, is limited to four pages.</p> <p>The reference to five pages on presentation slide 54 was in error. The written terms and conditions of the Final RFP always govern over any information presented during the conference, unless DOE states that the information will be changed in a forthcoming amendment.</p>

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36	L.8 (e)	L-15	<p>This section in the RFP indicates that if the offeror is limited to three PPRIFs regardless of the number of members of the offeror. However, on slide 54 of 72 of the Pre-bid Conference Presentation of November 10, 2020 the statement is made that up to three PPRIFs can be submitted per member. Please clarify how many PPRIFs are permitted for the members of a JV that is the offeror.</p>	<p>In accordance with RFP Section L.8(e), Offerors shall provide past performance information on three (3) contracts, either completed or currently being performed by the Offeror, and one contract, either completed or currently being performed, for each proposed major subcontractor. If the Offeror is a newly formed entity, joint venture, LLC, or similar entity the Offeror shall provide past performance information for a TOTAL of three (3) contracts for its member organizations (e.g., if the Offeror is a Joint Venture comprised of two companies, the Offeror may submit a maximum of three references (L-1 Past Performance Reference Information Form) total; not three for each comprising entity).</p> <p>The reference to three per JV member on presentation slide 54 was in error. The written terms and conditions of the Final RFP always govern over any information presented during the conference, unless DOE states that the information will be changed in a forthcoming amendment.</p>
37	L.8	L-15	<p>The introductory paragraph of L.8 indicates that the PPRIFs are to be limited to four pages. On Slide 54 of 72 of the pre-proposal conference of November 10, 2020 it indicates that they are limited to five pages. Please clarify.</p>	<p>Same as above.</p>