

NCB:

NCB-ACT-SACT-20-68, Contractor Support for NATO HQ SACT Solar Power System Installation and LED Lighting Conversion for Headquarters Supreme Allied Command Transformation

Reference:

Q & A # 1

Date of Issue:

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The following questions were raised with respect to subject RB. Responses are to provide clarification.

Questions	Responses
1. THE CONTRACT COMPLETION DATE IS STATED AS 12/31/2020. WITH LEAD TIMES FACTORING INTO THE EQUIPMENT, IS THIS A HARD COMPLETION DATE?	Completion date was extended to 31MAR20 in latest amendment.
2. IT WAS MENTIONED DURING THE SITE VISIT THAT BIDDERS MAY OFFER A PROPOSAL FOR ONLY ONE OF THE TWO MAJOR SCOPES. ARE THERE ANY CONTRACTOR REQUIREMENTS THAT ARE APPLICABLE TO ONE SCOPE AND NOT THE OTHER?	A bidder may bid on both scopes of the project or just one depending on area of expertise and capability.
3. IS THE REQUIREMENT FOR TWO PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS TO BE ON STAFF EXCLUSIVE OF THE SOLAR PORTION OF THEIR PROJECT? WILL AN ENGINEERING FIRM UNDER SUBCONTRACT OF THE GENERAL CONTRACTOR BE ACCEPTABLE?	Professional engineer requirement was a general requirement of both projects based on the ability to award to split bids. Subcontracted is acceptable.
4. GIVEN THAT THE OFFICE HAS NOT BEEN OCCUPIED AS FULLY DUE TO THE COVID PANDEMIC, WHAT ARE THE HOURS A DAY THAT THE LIGHTING SYSTEMS ARE IN USE TYPICALLY? ALSO, THE ENERGY CONSUMPTION CHART ON PAGE 26 IS FROM 2019. CONSIDERING THAT THE OWNER WILL WITHHOLD PAYMENT AS ESCROW ON ENERGY CLAIMS BY THE CONTRACTOR, WILL THESE REDUCTIONS BE BASED ON THE 2019 ENERGY USAGE LEVELS OR THE USAGE FROM THE BUILDING FROM 2020 WHEN THE OCCUPANCY WAS MUCH LOWER?	Intent is to compare to 2019 since that is the baseline we're using. 2020 data has not been obtained from NAVFAC yet
5. SECTION 5 STATES THAT THE CONTRACTOR WILL MAINTAIN AND SERVICE THE SYSTEM FOR A PERIOD OF 5 YEARS, HOWEVER SECTION 11 PAGE 39 STATES THE CONTRACTOR IS TO OFFER A WARRANTY PERIOD OF ONE YEAR. PLEASE ADVISE ON THE DURATION THAT THE	The 1 year is for craftsmanship (its been called a correction period to correct defective work discovered within the first year), the 5 years is for maintaining/service on equipment/components.

<p>CONTRACTOR WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PERFORMANCE OF THE SYSTEM?</p>	
<p>6. DOES THIS PROJECT HAVE ANY "BUY AMERICAN ACT" OR DAVIS BACON WAGE REQUIREMENTS?</p>	<p>No.</p>
<p>7. ARE THE AREAS THAT REQUIRE DIMMING AND OCCUPANCY SENORS STILL THE SAME AS WHAT ARE ON THE ASBUILT DRAWINGS? HAVE ANY AREAS BEEN RE-CONFIGURED OR RE-PURPOSED SINCE THE BUILDING WAS COMPLETED?</p>	<p>Yes, only area that has been modified is the mess area. Dimmable lights were added last fall.</p>
<p>8. WILL A BID BOND OR PAYMENT AND PERFORMANCE BOND BE REQUIRED FOR THIS CONTRACT?</p>	<p>No.</p>
<p>9. SHOULD THE SITE LIGHTING AND EXTERIOR BUILDING LIGHTING BE CONSIDERED AS PART OF THE CONVERSION TO LED SCOPE?</p>	<p>Bid is for interior conversion only.</p>
<p>10. CONSIDERING THE SIZE OF THE SCOPE, DETAIL, AND REQUIREMENTS OF THE TECHNICAL PROPOSAL WE WOULD LIKE TO REQUEST AN ADDITIONAL 14 CALENDAR DAYS TO PREPARE RESPONSES.</p>	<p>Does this account for the change to 5OCT or is this considering the previous deadline of 25SEP?</p>
<p>11. Can lighting sensors be incorporated into the project estimate to help achieve overall savings?</p>	<p>Yes, lighting sensors can be considered in the project, but priced separate from the LED portion of the project.</p>
<p>12. Pls confirm the expected completion date is Dec 31 2020.</p>	<p>Changed to 31MAR20, per the amendment posted to the contracting website.</p>
<p>13. Is there internal permitting/zoning requirements outside of the typical municipality rules/requirements? If so, do those supersede local ordinances? If so, what is an anticipated timeframe for construction permits?</p>	<p>There is a work permit/crane plan requirement that the base must approve. Base Support can help facilitate the submittal.</p>