



1. General Our Company is currently performing on the Temporary Procurement Staffing Support Services contract. Are steps required on our part to ensure OCI compliance? The terms of that contract only state that we must "provide notification."

Yes

2. General Would it be possible to receive a copy with rendered/searchable text?

No. We can only publish PDF versions.

3. Price Schedule Sheet 6 The price schedule sheet is a bit small. Is it permissible to recreate the table in MS Word for our company's submittal for Volume I?

Yes. As long as you maintain the structure and provide all information as required by the original document.

4. Evaluation Criteria and Basis for Award 20 The solicitation requests "three references where similar networks have been deployed" Our company plans to use a subcontractor via a teaming arrangement to help meet the DBE goals. In such case, are we limited to only three total references, or three references per firm?

Please provide 3 references. The references can be a combination of prime and sub-contractor references.

5. Evaluation Criteria and Basis for Award 20 The solicitation states "a resume must be submitted for each person the vendor intends to assign to the project." Please confirm that these are to be representative resumes for the purposes of demonstrating recruiting capabilities and that assigned personnel will be determined at the task order level.

All resumes submitted must be for candidates that are committed to work for your firm. The winning bid will be based on the candidates submitted and they are required to work on the project within 10 days from award.

6. Chapter II – Time/Delays/Liquidated Damages 46 Page 46 states that "the period of performance is date of award through May 5, 2024. However, the price schedule sheet contains a total of 3 base years and 4 option years. Could you please confirm the period of performance for each Base and Option Year?

The base year period of performance will be from the date of award through 36 months or 3 years. The remaining 4 years are option years and each option, if exercised, period of performance is 12 months. If all options years are exercised the cumulative total would be 48 months.

7. Proposal Security (Proposal Bond Form) 107 The solicitation includes a proposal bond form, but no instructions on what is required. Can WMATA please provide instructions for what is required for the proposal bond? For instance, should the offered price or amount be based on the "Total Estimated Cost" for 1 Base Year (Price Schedule Sheet)?

Proposal bond is not required

8. Part III – Statement of Work 109 The introduction section states that "WMATA is seeking an Offeror to provide staffing resources on a short or long-term duration..." Please confirm that the applicable NAICS code(s) for the solicitation is 561320.

No 561320 is not the correct NAICS code. 541612, 561320, 813920, 541330, 541512, and 921190 are more appropriate.

9. Part III – Statement of Work 109 The solicitation states that “there are 8 incumbent contractors.” In this instance, does “contractors” refer to incumbent firms or the number of contract personnel currently working at WMATA? If personnel, what labor categories are they currently in? Additionally, can you please provide details on the incumbent contract (# of firms, names of firms, contract value)?

The 8 contractors are personnel not firms. The personnel represent each of the job categories. No information will be provided about the existing contracting firm.

10. Part III – Statement of Work 109 Firms are required to “provide paid training for contracted employees..” Are the hours considered billable to WMATA?

No. The training , if required, will be paid by the contracting firm.

11. Part III – Statement of Work 109 - 128 The Statement of Work lists 8 positions under the heading “Job Descriptions” (page 110). Then Sections 1.1-1.7 provide job descriptions for a total of 7 positions. The Price Schedule Sheet contains 21 positions. Please confirm that only one resume is required for only the following 7 positions (as detailed on pp 110-128):

- 1.1 Sr. Wireless Engineer
- 1.2 Sr. Telecommunications Engineer
- 1.3 Sr. Communication Technology Engineer
- 1.4 Sr. Business Analyst
- 1.5 Sr. Project Manager
- 1.6 Sr. Network Engineer
- 1.7 Infrastructure Technician

All bidders should submit 1 resume for each job position defined. The total of resumes required per firm are 21. Each resumes must be labeled Sr., Mid, or entry level.

12. Part III – Statement of Work 129 Will locations of service be further defined for the job descriptions identifying a specific location for each job description or all jobs will be performed at both sites?

The main Job site is 600 5<sup>th</sup> street NW Washington DC. Due to space limitations and/or job requirements, contractors may work at our 3500 Pennsy Drive landover MD facility.

13. Page 107, Proposal Security: Confirm that the submission of a proposal bond is not applicable or required to be submitted on this solicitation.

Proposal bond is not required

14. Page 110, Scope of Work, 2nd Paragraph beginning "Under this contract, an Offeror shall perform the following": Confirm that this applies after contract award.

Yes it does.

15. The rfp contains a 30% DBE goal. Do DBE prime offerors need to name a DBE subcontractor to meet the 30% goal?  
**Yes. The DBE firm must be identified and the DBE Forms must be completed.**
16. We are assuming the contract duration is Base + Four (4) options. The RFP references three (3) "Base Years", is this a typo?  
**The base period of this contract is 3 years.**
17. The RFP references 21 Labor Categories. Do offerors need to submit 21 resumes? If so, are resumes to serve as representative candidates or candidates that will be available immediately for the Authority?  
**21 resumes are required and candidates must be available upon request within 10 days of award.**
18. It's stated that the contract is "Indefinite Quantity", but no mention of Indefinite Delivery. Is this a multiple award contract?  
**No it is Indefinite Quantity and Indefinite delivery.**
19. In the RFP, it is stated that there are 8 incumbent contractors. Are these contractors representative of 8 separate firms or individuals?  
**8 individuals, 3 firms.**
20. Do past performance evaluations need to be completed independently by offeror references?  
**Yes.**
21. As mentioned in the document, "There are 8 incumbent contractors that must have first preference in filling any of the funded position request." So, could you please make it more clearer that the preference will be given to 8 incumbent contractors for funded position for the year 2018 (until current expires) or throughout the course of the new contract?  
**Throughout the course of the new contract**
22. Will an extension request of the proposal due date be granted?  
**No.**
23. Will there be a pre-bidders conference?  
**No. This is a staffing contract not a technical project therefore no conference will be held. Please present all question to the WMATA office of procurement Contracting Officer listed in the RFP.**
24. Is it the preference of the Authority to make a single or multiple awards?  
**Single**
25. Is this a re-compete of an existing contract?  
**Yes.**
26. If this is a re-compete, who is the incumbent vendor?

Yes. No information will be provided on the exiting vendor.

27. What is the approximate annual spend on this contract?

This is an IDIQ so all we can provide is a minimum commitment as defined in the RFP.

28. How many resumes per labor category should be submitted?

3 per category.

29. Will the Authority put same weight on past performance, regardless of it being from WMATA or different organizations assuming same scope and size ?

The weight will based on the quality of the resumes presented and past performance.

30. How is it different than WMATA's IDIQ CQ15124 – Task Area Group # 4 – Network & Communications?

IDIQ CQ151124 is designed for consultants 24 months or less. This contract is designed for staff augmentations 12 months or more.

31. How many awards will be made or how many vendors will be selected under this contract?

One award, one award.

32. How many vendors are currently supporting the existing contract?

One

33. Solicitation states, there are 8 incumbent contractors are currently supporting. Please clarify, if it is 8 onsite contract resources or 8 vendors?

8 Contract resources.

34. If there 8 vendors are currently supporting, how many total number of resources are working from these 8 vendors?

See question 33.

35. Are you expecting us to submit resumes for each of the labor category from the solicitation?

You should submit 3 resumes per labor category and they should be clearly labeled. In addition, you must provide an hourly rate for each labor category.

36. If a DBE bids as a prime, does he still have to meet 30% DBE goal?

No.

37. When does the need for bonding come into play given this type of RFP?

Proposal bond is not required

38. How does one determine the amount of bonding required given a services contract prior to (a.) an award and (b.) prior to bidding on services work in the future?

Proposal bond is not required

39. Will WMATA be willing to extend the submission date?

No.

40. Would it be possible to receive the RFP document in a searchable format?

No

41. For the purposes of obtaining adequate bond coverage, please confirm it is WMATA's intent to establish a period of performance of three (3) base years and four (4), one (1) year option periods for a possible total of a seven (7) year period of performance.

The period of performance is date of award through 3 base years and including four option periods

42. Please confirm that any previous question and answers received and submitted by WMATA are yet to be released to industry for review. If responses have been released please direct us how to obtain the responses, as of the morning of March 26th there are no additional posted on the solicitation details web page.

Responses to all questions submitted by the due date will be issued through an amendment

43. Would WMATA please consider an extension of the response due date?

No.