

## **PROGRAM ANALYSIS AND CONTROL PAAC IV QUESTION AND ANSWERS SET# 4**

**131. Question: RFP Section L.14, Paragraph (b)(2).** This paragraph specifies a font size “not smaller than 12 point type” for written proposal content. Is it acceptable to use smaller fonts (e.g., 8-10 point) for graphics and tables included in the proposal? The Government responded with “**Answer: Upon release of the Final RFP, the Government will add instructions to state that it is acceptable to use smaller fonts (e.g. 10 point) for graphics and tables.**” The final RFP does not contain these instructions. The instructions in the final RFP appear to only apply to the Presentation Charts. Please confirm that 10 point font is acceptable for graphics and tables in the written material.

**Answer: RFP Section L.14 Paragraph (b)(2), No chart text shall be smaller than 18 point, except in graphics and tables where type shall be no smaller than 10 point.**

**132. Question: L.18, Section 1** states that “A proposed significant subcontractor shall provide the same cost exhibits and supporting information that is requested of the prime Offeror.” However, **L.18 section, 2(d)** states that “Offerors and all Subcontractors (regardless of dollar value) included in 1A shall complete exhibits 2A-2B.” *Will subcontractors not proposed as significant be allowed to submit Exhibits 2A and 2B under separate cover directly to NASA and furthermore, will these subcontractors be required to submit these exhibits to their respective DCAA office?*

**Answer: Yes, subcontractors not proposed as significant are allowed to submit Exhibit 2A and 2B directly to NASA. The Government will issue an amendment to RFP Section L.18 Section 2(d) to provide, “Prospective subcontractors may submit Request for Proposal proprietary cost data, under separate cover, directly to the Government no later than the proposal due date specified in Block 9 of the SF33. In addition, the RFP will be revised to delete the sentence under provision L.18 Section 1, “A proposed significant subcontractor shall provide the same cost exhibits and supporting information that is requested of the prime Offeror.” In its place the following sentence shall be included, “A proposed significant subcontractor shall complete and submit Exhibits 2A, 2B, and 4 through 11.”**

**133. Question: L.18, Section 1** states that “The Government does not intend to issue a separate task order for overall contract program management.” **L.18 section, 2.(c)** requires offerors to detail Management/Administration Labor Categories and hours and include these costs in the Summary Government Pricing Model (Exhibit 1B). *Should offerors assume that any Management/Administration costs captured in Exhibits 1A and 1B will be a direct cost to the contract?*

**Answer: Offerors shall respond with an approach that meets the requirements of the PAAC RFP and in accordance with the Offeror's practices and approved accounting system. Specific Management/Administrative costs that the offeror proposes as direct labor cost shall not include any labor/costs that the offeror otherwise would charge as other than direct labor in accordance with its approved accounting system.**

**134. Question: L.19, Section a** states that "Prime Offerors shall furnish the information requested below for all of your most recent contracts (completed and ongoing) for similar efforts with average annual cost/fee incurred of \$3M that your company has had within the last 5 years of the RFP release date." Some contracts may include classified data that the Offeror is not authorized to release. *Will it be acceptable for Offerors to mark "Classified" for any data that the Offeror is not authorized to release and will this result in the contract being unacceptable for inclusion in the Past Performance Volume?*

**Answer: "Classified" data is not required for this evaluation and shall not be submitted to NASA. SEB members and/or the NASA evaluation facility is not setup to handle "classified" information. The Government will issue an amendment to L.19 Section (a) of the RFP to provide, "Prime Offerors shall furnish the information requested below for all of your non-classified most recent contracts (completed and ongoing) for similar efforts with average annual cost/fee incurred of \$3M that your company has had within the last 5 years of the RFP release date."**

**135. Reference: Cost Volume.** *Are there any Collective Bargaining Agreements associated with this RFP?*

**Answer: No, there is no Collective Bargaining Agreements associated with this acquisition.**

**136. Question: RFP Section L.17, Paragraph 3,** the fifth paragraph of the instructions for the response to Subfactor B – Management Approach requires that the Offeror include "a discussion of the proposed award fee percentage ..." This percentage will be included in the Cost Proposal. *Does the Government desire that this "cost proposal information" be included in the Technical Proposal as well?*

**Answer: Offerors are required to submit a technical narrative addressing the requirement under Subfactor B- Management Approach. The offeror shall describe their approach to using award fee to motivate successful contract performance, including a discussion of the proposed award fee percentage and the approach to utilizing award fee performance**

**feedback and earned award fee amounts. Describing an approach to use award fee to motivate successful contract performance is not considered “cost proposal information.”**

**137. Question:** RFP Section L.18, the sixth paragraph of Section L.18, Instructions, states “For the purposes of the Cost Volume, a significant subcontractor is defined as a subcontractor expected to exceed 10% or more of the Government Pricing Model (GPM) total estimated cost. A proposed significant subcontractor shall provide the same costs exhibits and supporting information that is requested from the prime Offeror.” Section L18.2(d) states that all subcontractors must complete Exhibits 2A and 2B. However, we note that Exhibits 5, 6A, and 6B provide information supporting that contained on Exhibits 2A and 2B. Please indicate whether Exhibits 5, 6A and 6B should be completed by all subcontractors or just significant subcontractors.

**Answer: Only significant subcontracts as defined as a subcontractor expected to exceed 10% or more of the GPM, need to submit the above mentioned exhibits.**

**138. Question:** RFP Section L.18.2(g), the instructions contained in L.18.2 (g) state that Exhibit 3 is to be completed by all Prime Offerors and that “The Grand Total of Exhibit 3 shall match the Grand Total of Exhibit 1B.” The Grand Total of Exhibit 1B will contain the subcontract costs. Please confirm that Exhibit 3 may be modified to add a line item for subcontract costs and indicate whether these costs should be listed by subcontractor or in total.

**Answer: Yes, Offerors should individually list all subcontractors/costs under the ODC section of the exhibit.**

**139. Question:** RFP Section M.4, the third paragraph of this section refers to the “total FFP Phase-In price.” Pricing Exhibit 8 shows that the bottom line of all Phase-In costs is “Total Cost Plus Award Fee.” *Are Offerors to propose a FFP or CPAF Phase-In price?*

**Answer: Offerors are to propose a Firm Fixed Price (FFP) for Phase In. The Government shall issue an amendment revising Exhibit 8 to reflect a FFP.**