

NASA SOLICITATION NNL13467671E; UPGRADES TO FIRE STATION AND EMERGENCY OPERATIONS
 CENTER BUILDING

1. The following questions have been submitted regarding the subject solicitation. The Government's response follows each question.

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1.	Drawings A-102, A-103 and A-401	The Kitchen, Room 136 and the Laundry, Room 237 both show appliances i.e. (3) refrigerators, (1) dishwasher, (1) range/oven, (1) clothes washer and (1) dryer. There is no specification for these items and no description on the drawings. Will these items be furnished and installed by the government? If they are to be furnished and installed by the contractor please provide additional information for pricing.	The kitchen appliances and washer and dryer are Not In Contract (NIC).
2.	Drawing A-401, Detail H/A-401	It appears that Detail H/A-401 should be labeled G/A-401 to correlate with the Enlarged Floor Plan 1/A-401. Please confirm.	The island base cabinet has elevations F & G shown – H/A-401 is a section (cut through F). The drawings are correct.
3.	Specification Section 095100, Part 2, Paragraph 2.1.1.a	Section 095100, Part 2, Paragraph 2.1.1.a calls for a Type I ceiling tile. We have been informed that Type 1 has been discontinued. Per ASTM 1264, it should be a Type III. We also need a Form # and pattern, such as type III, Form 2, Pattern C or D. Also, the specs call for a very high NRC value of .75. Is this correct? Normally the NRC would be between .55 and .70. The cost of the tile is 2 to 3 times the normal cost.	Provide Type III, Form 2; Pattern C,D ,E; NRC 0.55; CAC 35; LR 0.75; Fire Class A.
4.	Specification Section 21 13 13.00 10, Paragraph 1.4.1	Specification section 21 13 13.00 10, Paragraph 1.4.1 states that work under this section is to be performed under the supervision and certified by the fire protection specialist (which is defined as a professional engineer with a minimum of five years experience dedicated to fire protection engineering) or a NICET IV technician. General Note 6 on Sheet F-101 states that the sprinkler system is to be designed by a registered professional engineer. Generally sprinkler system shop drawings are not required to be prepared by a professional engineer. Please confirm that the shop drawings for this project must be prepared and sealed by a registered professional engineer.	The specifications are correct; work can be done by a fire protection specialist (which is defined as a professional engineer with a minimum of five years experience dedicated to fire protection engineering) or a NICET IV technician.

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5.	Drawing S-101	Note 2 on Drawing S-101 states to over-excavate up to a six foot depth below the existing site elevations and expose stable natural soils from below footings. It later states to refer to the Geotechnical Report for earthwork procedures, compaction and additional information. The Geotechnical Report is not included in the bid documents posted on FedBizOPPS. Please provide the Geotechnical Report prepared by ECS Mid-Atlantic, Dated March 2, 2012 (ECS Project No. 07:1446).	Report is attached.
6.	Drawing A-602	The following rooms are listed on the finish schedule to have ACT-1 type acoustic ceilings. However they are shown on the reflected ceiling plans to have GWB ceilings. Rooms #116A Vestibule, 237 Laundry and 238 Linen. Could you clarify what type ceilings will be required in these rooms?	For Rooms 116A, 237, and 238 the Ceiling Finish should be "GWB (PT5)" in lieu of ACT (ACT1) on the Room Finish Schedule, Drawing A-602.
7.	Drawing E-111	Having issue with finding a manufacturer for the handhole as per detail on drawing E-111, you are calling for a cast iron cover. Every manufacturer we have been in contact with don't offer a cover that size in cast iron, they do offer it in galvanized steel. Do you have a manufacture you pulled this SPEC from we can go to?	Comstar Supply Inc is one source for the handholes. www.comstarsupply.com
8.	Specification Section 088100, Paragraph 2.1.2	Paragraph 2.1.2 of Section 088100 calls for patterned glass. The drawings do not indicate where the patterned glass is located. What window, door or storefront elevations receive the patterned glass? Also please clarify type of pattern.	See sheet A-202; Southeast Elevation; Phase 2 – New Work Notes No. 6. It's the window at the men's room. Pattern P3 (random).
9.	Specification Sections 084113 and 085113	The specification sections do not call for the exterior windows and storefronts to meet ATFP blast requirements. Please confirm that the exterior does not have to meet ATFP blast requirements.	Exterior windows do not need to meet blast requirements.