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Radiation Budget Instrument (RBI)

Industry Questions/Comments and Government Responses to the FINAL RFP

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(Numbers 12 and 13 are new.)

	Contract/SOW Reference/Topic	Industry Question/Comment	Government Response
1	Exhibit A, SOW and Attachment 2, RBI WBS Section 3.6, Workmanship	Section 3.6, Workmanship appears to be missing from the WBS, but is discussed in the SOW. Please advise.	Section 3.6, Workmanship will be added to Attachment 2, RBI WBS form in Amendment 1 to the RFP.
2	Attachment 2, RBI WBS and Exhibit A, SOW 6.6, Simulators & Emulators	A description of WBS 6.6, Simulators & Emulators, is not provided in the SOW. Please provide the purpose of this WBS element.	The reference to 6.6, Simulators & Emulators in Attachment 2, RBI WBS will be removed in Amendment 1 to the RFP.
3	Exhibit A SOW, 10.1-04 reference DRD OO-05	SOW-10.1-04 references DRD OO-05, but we believe it should be DRD OO-04 because DRD OO-05 does not exist and -04 is not called out anywhere else and matches the scope. Please confirm.	The reference in SOW-10.1-04 will be corrected <i>from</i> DRD OO-05 <i>to</i> DRD OO-04 in Amendment 1 to the RFP.
4	RFP Sections B through M: Provision L.12, Proposal Page Limitations, paragraph b)	Would the Government consider changing the font restriction for graphics and tables to a minimum 9-point font Arial?	The font size for graphics and tables will remain at 11-point font Arial.
5	Attachment 2, Cost Forms	Is it permissible to modify the spreadsheets provided in Attachment 2 of the RFP to include material reported as its own element of cost	Yes.

		rather than under ODC?	
6	RBI RFP Sections B - M	The RBI RFP Model Contract calls out FAR 52.227-14, but only has Alt. III which permits delivery of privately funded software. There is no Alt. II which permits delivery of privately funded data. We request that Alt II be added to this clause.	An offeror may complete and submit FAR provision 52.227-15, Representation of Limited Rights Data and Restricted Computer Software in the proposal, if limited data rights are proposed. This provision is in Sections B-M of the RFP, Part IV – Representations and Certifications, Sect. K.1, Annual Representations and Certifications (52.204-8). The Government will review the proposed limited and restricted rights assertions in 52.227-15 and will determine the inclusion of 52.227-14 ALT II and ALT III in the resulting contract.
7	RBI RFP Sections B – M, Section L.15 c)	RFP Section L.15 c) requests: “The offeror shall submit one (1) original and ten (10) hard copies and ten (10) electronic copies of all volumes of the proposal on or before the date and time shown on Block 9 of the SF33.” By using the phrase “all volumes” in the instruction, does the government want all three volumes in the final delivery? This would include an additional set of Volume III (Past Performance) which has a separate and earlier delivery. We recommend that the word “all” in this instruction be replaced by “Volume I, Technical Proposal and Volume II, Business proposal.”	A separate and earlier submission of Volume III Past Performance Volume would fulfill the instructions in paragraph L.15 paragraph c) without the need for resubmission.
8		Government Comment: A request was received for a current version of a Langley form for reference purposes. If there is a need for a form for reference and it cannot be accessed, please	Requested forms will be provided.

		send a request to c.snapp@nasa.gov.	
9	RBI RFP Sections B – M, Section L.15	Cost form D Instructions item 2, states: “Offerors shall provide a copy of the purchase order or vendor quote if identified as the basis of estimate.” This request will result in a huge number of pages per copy of the Business Volume, due to the number of line items in a bill of material (BOM). We recommend that the Cost form D Instructions item 2, be changed to all offerors to maintain copies of the purchase order or vendor quotes available for review upon request.	The RFP is revised in Amendment 2 to delete Instruction (2) from Cost Form D.
10	RBI RFP Sections B – M, Section L.15	The RBI RFP, section L.15 g) states: "The hard copies and the electronic copies of the proposal shall be identical. ..." Hard copies of Cost Forms (Attachment 2) will result in a large number of pages for each copy of the proposal. Eliminating spreadsheets "Cost Form A##-Level 3 Costs" will reduce the page count significantly per copy. Is it allowed to submit the Cost Forms (Attachment 2) as electronic Excel copies only and not produce the Cost Forms (Attachment 2) as hard copies?	The RFP is revised in Amendment 2 to state that offerors must submit 2 complete hard copies of Volume II with all cost forms (these two volumes should be marked). The remaining hard copies of Volumes II may exclude the Attachment 2 “Cost Form A##-Level 3 Costs”. However, all Cost Forms spreadsheet shall be included in all electronic copies.
11	RBI RFP Sections B – M, Section L.15	Will contractor’s standard Excel files, generated from their respective pricing systems and consistent with their normal accounting and estimating procedures, be acceptable in lieu of the files provided in Attachment 2 of the RFP? The subject files contain the same information as those supplied with the RFP but are formatted consistent with the contractor’s accounting/estimating system ie; material is its own element of cost and not reported under ODC.	The offerors shall submit all cost forms as specified in the RFP except for Cost Form D. It is acceptable for offerors to provide the summary cost information on excel spreadsheets from their respective pricing systems for Cost Form D.

↓ **New Questions as of August 21, 2013**

12	<p>☆NEW☆ RFP Section L.12, paragraph c)</p>	<p>Some certifications and letters of approval are reproductions of originals produced by third parties (i.e. CMMI Certification from the CMMI Institute, accounting and property system approval letters from various government agencies) and font type and size are outside of the control of the contractor. Will NASA Langley consider these items to be compliant if submitted as they were originally provided to us?</p>	Yes.
13	<p>☆NEW☆ RFP Section L.18 Business Proposal – Volume III paragraph d)</p>	<p>If an offeror has already provided the evidence of compliance for the three standards (AS9100, CMMI-DEV Level 2 or higher, and EVMS) as requested, is it required to re-submit the information with the proposal?</p>	No.