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AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION/MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT				1. CONTRACT ID CODE	PAGE OF PAGES 1 14
2. AMENDMENT/MODIFICATION NO. 0001	3. EFFECTIVE DATE 12/19/2014	4. REQUISITION/PURCHASE REQ. NO. 4200530603	5. PROJECT NO. (If applicable)		
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8. NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONTRACTOR (No. Street, county, State and ZIP: Code)				9A. AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION NO. NNS15530603R	
				9B. DATED (SEE ITEM 11) 12/3/2014	
				10A. MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT/ORDER NO.	
				10B. DATED (SEE ITEM 13)	
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11. THIS ITEM ONLY APPLIES TO AMENDMENTS OF SOLICITATIONS

The above numbered solicitation is amended as set forth in Item 14. The hour and date specified for receipt of Offers is extended, is not extended. Offers must acknowledge receipt of this amendment prior to the hour and date specified in the solicitation or as amended, by one of the following methods:
 (a) By completing Items 8 and 15, and returning one (1) copy of the amendment; (b) By acknowledging receipt of this amendment on each copy of the offer submitted; or (c) By separate letter or telegram which includes a reference to the solicitation and amendment numbers. FAILURE OF YOUR ACKNOWLEDGMENT TO BE RECEIVED AT THE PLACE DESIGNATED FOR THE RECEIPT OF OFFERS PRIOR TO THE HOUR AND DATA SPECIFIED MAY RESULT IN REJECTION OF YOUR OFFER. If by virtue of this amendment you desire to change an offer already submitted, such change may be made by telegram or letter, provided each telegram or letter makes reference to the solicitation and this amendment, and is received prior to the opening hour and data specified.

12. ACCOUNTING AND APPROPRIATION DATA (If required)

N/A

13. THIS ITEM APPLIES ONLY TO MODIFICATIONS OF CONTRACTS/ORDERS, IT MODIFIES THE CONTRACT/ORDER NO. AS DESCRIBED IN ITEM 14.

A.	THIS CHANGE ORDER IS ISSUED PURSUANT TO: (Specify authority) THE CHANGES SET FORTH IN ITEM 14 ARE MADE IN THE CONTRACT ORDER NO. IN ITEM 10A.
B.	THE ABOVE NUMBERED CONTRACT/ORDER IS MODIFIED TO REFLECT THE ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES (such as changes in paying office, appropriation date, etc.) SET FORTH IN ITEM 14, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY OF FAR 43.103(b).
C.	THIS SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT IS ENTERED INTO PURSUANT TO AUTHORITY OF:
D.	OTHER Specify type of modification and authority)

E. IMPORTANT: Contractor is not, is required to sign this document and return 1 copies to the issuing office.

14. DESCRIPTION OF AMENDMENT/MODIFICATION (Organized by UCF section headings, including solicitation/contract subject matter where feasible.)

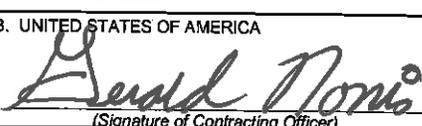
a. The purpose of this amendment is to add additional provisions and clauses, and provide answers to questions submitted from prospective offerors.

b. The date for receipt of proposals is extended as follows:

From: January 5, 2015 at 1630 CT

To: **January 13, 2015 at 1500 CT**

Except as provided herein, all terms and conditions of the document referenced in Item 9A or 10A, as heretofore changed, remains unchanged and in full force and effect

15A. NAME AND TITLE OF SIGNER (Type or print)		16A. NAME AND TITLE OF CONTRACTING OFFICER (Type or print) Gerald Norris	
15B. CONTRACTOR/OFFEROR	15C. DATE SIGNED	16B. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BY  (Signature of Contracting Officer)	16C. DATE SIGNED 12-19-14

c. The following provisions are added:**52.222-22 Previous Contracts and Compliance Reports (Feb 1999)**

The offeror represents that –

- (a) It * has, * has not participated in a previous contract or subcontract subject to the Equal Opportunity clause of this solicitation;
- (b) It * has, * has not filed all required compliance reports; and
- (c) Representations indicating submission of required compliance reports, signed by proposed subcontractors, will be obtained before subcontract awards.

(End of Provision)

52.222-24 Pre-Award On-Site Equal Opportunity Compliance Evaluation (Feb 1999)**52.222-25 Affirmative Action Compliance ((Apr 1984)**

The offeror represents that –

- (a) It * has developed and has on file, * has not developed and does not have on file, at each establishment, affirmative action programs required by the rules and regulations of the Secretary of Labor (41 CFR 60-1 and 60-2); or
- (b) It * has not previously had contracts subject to the written affirmative action programs requirement of the rules and regulations of the Secretary of Labor.

(End of Provision)

52.252-5 -- Authorized Deviations in Provisions (Apr 1984)

- (a) The use in this solicitation of any Federal Acquisition Regulation (48 CFR Chapter 1) provision with an authorized deviation is indicated by the addition of "(DEVIATION)" after the date of the provision.
- (b) The use in this solicitation of any 1852.209-73 Representation by Offerors that they are not the Association of Community Organizations for Reform Now (ACORN) or a subsidiary of ACORN. (Deviation Feb 2012), 1852-209.74 Certification by Offerors Regarding Federal Income Tax Filing and Federal Income Tax Violations. (Deviation Feb 2012), 1852.209-75 Representation by Corporations Regarding an Unpaid Delinquent Tax Liability or a Felony Conviction under any Federal Law. (Deviation Feb 2012) (48 CFR Chapter 18) provision with an authorized deviation is indicated by the addition of "(DEVIATION)" after the name of the regulation.

(End of Provision)

d. The following clause is added:**52.252-6 -- Authorized Deviations in Clauses (Apr 1984)**

- (a) The use in this solicitation or contract of any Federal Acquisition Regulation (48 CFR Chapter 1) clause with an authorized deviation is indicated by the addition of "(DEVIATION)" after the date of the clause.
- (b) The use in this solicitation or contract of any 52.222-99 Establishing a Minimum Wage for Contractors (Deviation 2014 O0017)(Jun 2014). (48 CFR Chapter 1 clause with an authorized deviation is indicated by the addition of "(DEVIATION)" after the name of the regulation.

(End of Clause)

e. The following answers are provided in response to questions received

1. Reference – Solicitation (pg 5) NASA Core Work Description (CLINs 002, 004, 006, and 008)

Q: Many items that make up the FFP Core Services are items that will not change from contractor to contractor, such as travel to conferences, materials, and number and types of off-site calibrations, repairs, and testing. Since the incumbent contractor has access to these records that cover the past five years and beyond, we believe these should be standard numbers that are provided to all bidders to level the playing field. We recognize that the government does not know which equipment, how many, and severe repairs are needed in the future, and therefore cannot provide us with an estimate. Likewise, the contractors do not know that information and cannot provide an adequate accurate estimate to be considered FFP. We respectfully request that all bidders provide a plug number that is based on HISTORICAL DATA so all that the incumbent contractor does not have the advantage in bidding these items under the required FFP CLINS.

A: A "plug number" will not be provided by the Government for CLINs 002, 004, 006 and 008. Offerors are to provide a price based on the Government provided historical workload and estimated future requirements, historical material, identified Indirect Travel requirements and its approach to performing the work.

2. Reference – Solicitation (pg 5) NASA Core Work Description (CLINs 002, 004, 006, and 008)

Q: The solicitation states, "All work under the Core CLINS are covered by the fixed monthly amount". It appears the contractor will invoice NASA a fixed monthly amount for the CORE CLINS. Given the contract is FFP (with the exception of direct travel), please clarify the applicability of Data Requirement (DR) Financial Management Report Detail, which is geared towards a cost type contract (NPR 9501.2 latest revision and NFS 1852.242-73).

A: A detailed cost file is required monthly for performance measurement for IDIQ and Core work. The cost allocations for the Core work will be provided to the contractor by the SSC OCFO, Budget Integration Branch, to be included in the monthly detailed cost file each month. IDIQ cost should be reported on a monthly basis as described in the MF02 DR.

3. Reference – Solicitation (pg 5) NASA Core Work Description (CLINs 002, 004, 006, and 008)

Q: The second paragraph states, "Any additional material, supplies, equipment not identified as Government-furnished shall be the responsibility of the contractor." Further in the paragraph it states, "All work covered by the PWS shall be completed by the contractor using onsite Government provided equipment and facilities." These sentences seem contradictory as one dictates that equipment will be provided, and the first states we must include equipment not listed as provided in a FFP CLIN. Please clarify what is mean by these statements.

A: The Government has identified and provided equipment and facilities for the use of the contractor during the performance of this contract. In addition to the Government provided equipment and facilities, the contractor is responsible for providing any additional equipment, materials and supplies needed to implement and execute their approach to meeting contract requirements.

4. Reference – Solicitation (pg 5) NASA Core Work Description (CLINs 002, 004, 006, and 008)

Q: The RFP states, "Exceptions to this requirement include calibration standards that must go to a primary laboratory such as the NIST and historical off-site repairs." In order to include costs for NIST laboratory calibrations, how many pieces of equipment must go to NIST labs for calibration each month? What is the level of services needed? This could vary greatly depending on equipment, to include a Fixed Price we would need a breakdown of more definitive requirements to accurately estimate this cost.

A: The equipment and standards that require offsite calibration will be completed by facility operations contractor. SSC has approximately 115 items and MAF has approximately 200 items.

5. Reference – Solicitation (pg 5) NASA Core Work Description (CLINs 002, 004, 006, and 008)

Q: The RFP states, "Historical materials and off-site repairs are identified in the PWS Attachment 1, Appendix B&E; these lists may or may not be all inclusive." First, Appendix B is historical materials estimates and Appendix E shows environmental tests sent off-site and Calibration services sent off-site. We do not see a list of historical repairs to equipment. Given that "repairs" are not easily forecasted and the price can vary greatly depending on which specific equipment is involved, age of equipment, and time frame for needed repair, it would be impossible to estimate and include repair costs within the FFP. Second, the RFP states that these lists may or may not be all inclusive. It is difficult to prepare estimates for these repairs, especially since this may not be all of the equipment we must be responsible for. We respectfully request that an estimate for this be given to all bidders as the incumbent contractor already has that information and other bidders do not. This creates an unfair advantage for the incumbent contractor

A: The equipment and environmental tests that require offsite completion will be completed under the facility operations contractor.

6. Reference – Solicitation (pg 5) NASA Core Work Description (CLINs 002, 004, 006, and 008), Pricing Schedule (Atch 6) and PWS (Atch 1, pg 73)

Q: The solicitation states Core Work includes "material, supplies, equipment not identified as Government-furnished.." And state this excludes "calibration standards that must go to a primary laboratory such as NIST and historical off-site repairs." PWS Appendix E is title Off-Site Services, and includes Environmental testing that goes off-site. Attachment 6 Pricing Schedule, only has line items for Materials, Off-Site REPAIRS, and Labor. Does the Government wish that we insert lines for the breakout other Off-Site testing (calibration and Env Services) and Indirect Travel?

A: No. See revised attachment 6-1.

7. Reference – Solicitation (pg 12 & 13) Task Order Procedure

Q: Per paragraph a., all task orders will be issued as FFP. Per paragraph i., a Basis of Estimate identifying cost by month is required for IDIQ task orders. Given task orders are FFP (with the exception of direct travel), please clarify the applicability of Data Requirement (DR) Financial Management Report Detail (NPR 9501.2 latest revision and NFS 1852.242-73).

A: A detailed cost file is required monthly for performance measurement for IDIQ and Core work. The cost allocations for the Core work will be provided to the contractor by the SSC OCFO, Budget Integration Branch, to be included in the monthly detailed cost file each month. IDIQ cost should be reported on a monthly basis as described in the MF02 DR..

8. Reference – Solicitation (pg 15, para 12, j(iv)) Task Order Procedure

Q: Should (iv) read, "Firm Fixed Price" authorized?

A: Yes, change to read "Firm Fixed Price."

9. Reference – Solicitation (pgs 15&16, para 12 q) Task Order Procedure

Q: Please review the applicability of cost-type language given the contract has only FFP CLINs.

A: Replace paragraph 12 q Task Order Procedure with the following:

Contractor shall submit monthly task order progress reports. As a minimum, the reports shall contain the following information:

(i) Contract number, task order number, and date of the order.

(ii) Firm Fixed Price.

(iii) Price/Cost and hours incurred to date for each issued task.

(iv) Price/Costs and hours estimated to complete each issued task.

(v) Significant issues/problems associated with a task.

(vi) Price/Cost summary of the status of all tasks issued under the contract

10. Reference – Solicitation (pg 4, para a) Phase-in and Phase-out

Q: The Phase-In requirements, paragraph (2), state that the Phase-In Plan is Attachment 11. However, page 40 of this section, states that Attachment 11 is the Contractor's Proposal. Is this requirement referring to the Phase-In requirement as part of the Management Approach, or does the government wish to see the Phase-In Plan as a separate document?

A: The document is referring to the Phase-In requirement as a part of the Management Approach. The Government does not wish to see the Phase-In Plan as a separate document.

11. Reference – Solicitation (pg 12, para 12 b) Task Order Procedure

Q: The RFP states, "b. All aspects of the task order process (e.g., initiated, awarded, administered, and closed-out) shall be managed in the Government provided system. The Government reserves the right to issue task orders outside of the Government provided system." Please clarify does the task order process remain in the government provided system cradle to grave? If not, what are the exceptions and expectations for our getting that work into the government system?

A: The contractor's work control system is not maintained within a government owned system. The government will not dictate how the contractor manages their work. The task order process is a government owned electronic application that serves as a means to initiate and track IDIQ work. The statement "...reserves the right to issue task orders outside of the government provided system..." is in reference to emergency cases in which the electronic application may become unavailable.

12. Reference – Solicitation Government Property Clause 52.245-2

Q: The RFP states, "(a) This Government Property listed in paragraph (e) of this clause is furnished to the Contractor in an "as-is, where is" condition. The Government makes no warranty regarding the suitability for use of the Government property specified in this contract. The Contractor shall be afforded the opportunity to inspect the Government property as specified in the solicitation." It also states, "(b) The Government bears no responsibility for repair or replacement of any lost Government property. If any or all of the Government property is lost or becomes no longer usable, the Contractor shall be responsible for replacement of the property at Contractor expense. The Contractor shall have title to all replacement property and shall continue to be responsible for contract performance." "(c) Unless the Contracting Officer determines otherwise, the Government abandons all rights and title to unserviceable and scrap property resulting from contract performance. Upon notification to the Contracting Officer, the Contractor shall remove such property from the Government premises and dispose of it at Contractor expense." The paragraph (e) reference is found below these statements and is listed as "Attachment 3, List 2" Attachment 3, List 2 contains a MAF IAGP As Is Property totaling \$52,201. It also contains a SSC IAGP As Property totaling \$287,256, with some items dating back to 1953. These requirements present several questions and concerns. We are unsure of how the contractor is responsible for replacing over 60 year-old equipment, which we have no verification that is currently in working order. Also, the listing contains many computer items, which the Lab Services contractor is not responsible for purchasing. As previously stated in the solicitation (page 5 under NASA Core Work Description) "All work covered by the PWS shall be completed by the contractor using onsite Government provided equipment and facilities." This seems to be in direct conflict with instructions to the Contractor that we must replace any As Is property and have title to said property, which would make that equipment Contractor owned not Government Owned. Additionally, 1852.245-71 IAGP USER RESPONSIBILITIES on pages 35-36, states, "5) ensuring that IAGP is turned into the Property Disposal Officer through NPRP or the Property Custodian when no longer needed; under no circumstances will the user or Contractor dispose of IAGP, whether tagged or untagged;" This is also in direct conflict with previous instructions from page 35 (c)

A: The property identified on List 2 is provided "As Is" and in accordance with the PWS paragraph 2.2.1 the contractor determines the need to use the equipment in the performance of the contract. The decision to use, repair or replace "As-Is" equipment is at the discretion of the contractor. Any "As Is" equipment replaced by the contractor would be thereby contractor owned and would not be added to the property list. The property provided to the contractor for use in performance of this contract has not been determined as unserviceable. Therefore, any property that is no longer needed shall be turned into the Property Disposal Officer through NPRON or the Property Custodian.

13. Reference – Solicitation Government Property Clause 1852.245-71

Q: The RFP states, "The Contractor shall perform maintenance, calibration, and repair on all Installation Accountable Government Property, Attachment 3, List 1 SSC/MAF Controlled, in accordance with FAR 52.245-1." Since the property lists contain equipment valued at over \$9 Million for MAF and \$6.1 Million for SSC, can the Government provide a historical estimate for Maintenance and Repair Costs for this equipment? We also understand that PWS 2.2.1, page 21 of 73 limits routine operations and minor maintenance costs at \$1,000 per item per occurrence.

A: No. The government does not maintain a list of routine and minor maintenance costs.

14. Reference – Solicitation (pg 7) Travel

Q: Please provide the number of people, duration and location of the indirect travel that is to be included in the FFP core pricing. Terms such as 'Provide sufficient personnel in order to actively participate' are vague requirements that cannot be accurately priced as FFP without more data.

A: Indirect Travel is recurring and varied throughout the year. Adequate number of personnel needed to participate in these activities is a determination made by the contractor based on its approach and expertise in meeting the requirements of the contract.

15. Reference – Solicitation (pg 40) List of Attachments

Q: The list of attachments states, "The following documents are attached hereto.... Contractor shall submit Attachments 8, 9, 10 and 11; approved documents shall become part of the contract." It then lists "8. Contractor Approved Safety and Health Plan, 9. Organizational Conflict of Interest Mitigation Plan (See (DR List); 10. Quality Assurance Plan; and 11. Contractor's Proposal" Question: Is this list intended to be part of the proposal submission or a listing of how the resulting contract will be organized? Some are clearly required with submission, but others are listed in other parts of the document as 'after award.' The Safety and Health Plan cannot be approved until submitted after award, but IAW Attachment 12, (D) Submission Requirements I Management Approach, 3, a draft plan will be submitted as part of the Management Approach. We then expect there to be discussions with government should any changes need to be made before government approval. The OCI Mitigation Plan is not listed as part of Submission Requirements or in the Solicitation, but is listed in DRD PC03 as required with proposal submission. Where would the government expect to see the OCI plan for accurate and easy evaluation? The Quality Assurance (Management) Plan is required by DRF RAO1 for submission within 15 days of contract start. Please clarify how and when these items are to be submitted by the contractor.

A: The referenced listing is intended to convey which documents will be part of the resulting contract. The specific expectations for the documents are as follows: - Safety and Health Plan will be submitted as a draft with the proposal, as indicated in Attachment 12, Management Approach. The reference to the DR SA03 is to provide guidance for the specifications of the Plan. The final will be submitted for approval within 15 days of contract start.

16. Reference – Performance Work Statement (PWS) (pg 36) Appendix A Historical Workload and Estimated Future Requirements

Q: If there are no anticipated tests at MAF in the Mechanical testing, failures, analysis, etc for CORE services, how will IDIQ customers be charged for the work at MAF that must be accomplished prior to

performing those tests? For example, many of the labs are being moved, rearranged, and some have yet to come online. Will a customer who order a single test have to bear the cost of renovating a lab, or of bringing a piece of equipment out of moth-balls in order to perform their single test? This seems it would be cost prohibitive for IDIQ customers to use these lab facilities. Additionally, the 'manager of IDIQ' work which will be considered core under PWS 1.0 [per 1.0 Contract Management, 3 IDIQ paragraph 3] would not be sufficient to manage IDIQ and provide the moving, renovating, etc of lab equipment/facilities. Please clarify how these costs should be captured and proposed for the MAF work.

A: If a demand customer's requirement requires activation of lab equipment/facilities the cost will be included in the task order or paid for under our facility contract. Customers will be charged all costs for renovation or reactivating equipment for their tests. All costs should be proposed against the requirements in the work order.

17. Reference – PWS (pg 5, para 3) Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity

Q: What does this statement mean, "Cost of IDIQ support shall be spread among all LSC customers"? IDIQ support will be provided through FFP Task Orders with each customer paying for the services they request. Are there some other services that are spread among customers? If so, how is this spread apportioned? Is this referring to the costs of "support to initiate IDIQ work" (which is bid as core) will be added to FFP IDIQ Task Orders and charged to LSC customers?

A: Yes, it is referring to the costs of "support to initiate IDIQ work"

18. Reference – PWS (pg 2)

Q: The Scope lists "Natural Resources Services" but does not list those elsewhere in the PWS. Also Appendix D PRS, details on page 72 of the PWS that we will be evaluated on "Maintain and support the Integrated Natural Resource Management Plan (INRAMP). Please clarify if any Natural Resources services are to be provided under this contract. If so, please provide those PWS requirements.

A: The only Natural Resource activity for this contract is Wetland delineations/assessments, which are covered under the Clean Water Act Section 404; 40 CFR 22, 230, 231, 232 and 233. These delineations/assessments are inclusive of reports and calculations of credits. This is an on-demand only activity with an average of four (4) occurrences per year. On page 72 delete INRAMP reference and replace with: "Sampling and analyses, recordkeeping and reporting to NASA and regulatory authorities. Conduct assessments/surveys as requested." (Example/Baseline surveys and wetland delineations)..

19. Reference – PWS (para 1.3.2) Work Control Management

Q: The PWS states, "The Contractor shall establish, implement, and utilize an integrated work control approach to create, schedule, approve, document, track and monitor all Core and IDIQ requirements from inception to close-out." Is there a Government provided system or database for work control in use on the current contract? If so, may the next contractor use this system?

A: There is not a Government provided system that will be provided to the Contractor.

20. Reference – PWS (para 3.3.2) Health Physics

Q: In reference to the Health Physics Program, does the person administering the Health Physics program need a National Registry of Radiation Protection Technologies and/or American Board of Health Physics certification? When does the program need to be implemented (number of days after contract start)? Are there reporting requirements associated, as we did not find this in a DRD? Does this include maintenance of radiological equipment? If so, please list the equipment.

A: No, the Health Physics Program will meet the requirements in SCWI-8700-0002, SSC Health Physics Program at SSC and AS60-OI-035, Non-ionizing Radiation Procedures at MAF. Any associated reporting requirements are identified in that document. The program needs to be implemented 15 days after contract start. The radiological equipment is maintain in accordance with the requirements of the contract. SSC currently maintains 7 Gas Chromatographs, a Scanning Electron Microscope, and a calibration source for

dosimeters. MAF currently maintains two dew pointers, and three x-ray fluorescences (XRF).

21. Reference – PWS (para 2.1) Logistics Scope

Q: The RFP states, "The contractor shall ensure the pickup, delivery, loading, transporting, and unloading of items between and within MAF or SSC in a cost effective, timely and efficient manner. The contractor shall properly schedule and coordinate all courier service requests with customers. Daily routine courier services between SSC and MAF may be required. The contractor shall ensure proper control, protection, preservation, and disposition of move assets. The contractor may use the transportation, moving and hauling systems that NASA has established through its support contracts." Does transportation, moving and hauling systems refer to vehicles? If not, to what does it refer?

A: No, this reference refers to transportation, moving, and hauling system provided by the NASA facility contractor.

22. Reference – PWS (para 2.1) Logistics Scope

Q: Under 2.1 Logistics Scope) the RFP state, "The contractor may use the transportation, moving and hauling systems that NASA has established through its support contracts. On page 20 it states that "Vehicles will not be provided by the Government for performance of this contract." A large portion of the work requires the collection of samples for analysis. Will the Government provide the vehicles required for sample collection? (Panel Truck, 4WD truck, Mule, Boat(s)) If vehicles are listed in Government Furnished Property, will they be provided? Please clarify the discrepancies in the RFP concerning vehicles.

A: The Government will not provide vehicles to this contract. (All references to Government vehicles are deleted).

23. Reference – PWS (para 2.1) Logistics Scope

Q: If the Government is not providing vehicles through either the provided Property or through the transportation system of support contracts, please provide data on number, type, and annual mileage of the needed vehicles to allow bidders to correctly price the effort. Also, specify requirements for 4 wheel drive or other vehicles for collection of samples.

A: It is estimated that one four wheel drive truck is required for gathering environmental samples. The Government does not have any data on number, type, and annual mileage for vehicles required to perform this effort.

24. Reference – PWS (para 1.2.1) Production Support (MAF only)

Q: Who will provide the single point of contact for MAF customers/tenants if the SACOM contract is not awarded by the start date of the Laboratory Services Contract? Will the function be given to the MSFOC contractor?

A: The point of contact for MAF customers/tenants will be provided either by the Government or one of its contractors. The point of contact will be identified during the Phase-In period.

25. Reference – PWS (para 1.3.1) Resources and Financial Management

Q: This PWS section details that "Cost shall be distributed based on the functional definition specified in the latest version of NPR 9501.2. The Contractor shall provide a monthly accrual based on these reporting requirements. ..." This NPR details 533 reporting for "cost type, price redetermination, and fixed-price incentive contracts. Please clarify how these reporting requirements are applicable to this Firm Fixed Price solicitation.

A: A detailed cost file is required monthly for performance measurement for IDIQ and Core work. The cost allocations for the Core work will be provided to the contractor by the SSC OCFO, Budget Integration Branch, to be included in the monthly detailed cost file each month. IDIQ cost should be reported on a monthly basis as described in the MF02 DR.

26. Reference – PWS, Appendix A, Historical Workload and Estimated Future Requirements

Q: The historical data provided in Appendix A of the PWS is dated 2010 through 2014. What is the difference between shuttle and non-shuttle work on the historical data?

A: Shuttle work was not included as part of the historical data.

27. Reference – PWS, Appendix A, Historical Workload and Estimated Future Requirements

Q: The future estimated data in Appendix A of the PWS is dated 2015 through 2020. Does this take in account the recent slippage of the SLS from December 2017 to December 2018?

A: The future estimated data does not reflect a scheduled slip for SLS.

28. Reference – PWS, Appendix D, Performance Requirements Summary (PRS)

Q: The PRS states, "Maintain a workforce that is trained and certified per NASA requirements." Please provide certification requirements for personnel for this contract.

A: The requirements driving certifications are in SCWI-3410-0003, Training/Certification Plan and Schedule Report, which is hereby added to the reference documents. As an example, the certifications for the current contract are as follows:

- Confined Space Entry - 6
- CPR - 12
- Cryogenic Safety - 1
- Hazwaste Site Worker - 4
- Hearing Conservation Program - 1
- High Pressure Safety - 30
- Laboratory Cryogenic Safety - 20
- Laboratory Radiation Worker - 5
- Laboratory Surveillance - 16
- LASER SAFETY - 3
- Lockout/Tagout (Cntl of Haz Energy) - 12
- Mercury Surveillance - 4
- Mobile Equipment - 3
- Personal Fall Arrest System - 2
- RKI O2/LEL Meter - 11
- Satellite Accumulation Area Manager - 6
- Universal Waste Management - 2

29. Reference – PWS (para 1.2.1) and Appendix D, PRS

Q: The PRS states, "(Immediate turnaround required to support MAF manufacturing operations)" in the Performance Standards column. Page 15 of 73 under 1.2.1 Production Support MAF, states that the production support is through IDIQ task orders. Since all production work at MAF is IDIQ, and there are no CORE personnel, it seems unlikely that all production support work can have an immediate turnaround. Please define what is meant by immediate, using time periods such as hours, days, weeks.

A: Immediate work is not to be used for planned work. This will be used in the case of a work stoppage or test hold up issue and will be negotiated between the customer and the contractor on a case by case basis.

30. Reference – PWS, Appendix D, Off-site Services

Q: Do the Off-Site services in Appendix E represent off-site services at SSC and at MAF? This listing is identical to the SSC listing provided in the 2009 solicitation, so it seems it does not include any MAF items. Please provide an average of expenses for the past three years for Off-Site Services for SSC and for MAF since these costs are part of the CORE FFP work.

A: MAF does not have any items that require offsite services. The equipment and environmental tests that

require offsite completion will be completed under the facility operations contractor.

31. Reference – Attachment 4, Wage Determinations

Q: Since the LA SCA has very specific vacation for personnel at 1 year, 8 years and 15 years of employment, and the MS has specific requirements at 1 year, 2 years, 5 years and 15 years, will the government please provide the percentage of employees in each of those categories for each state for accurate pricing?

A: The Government will not provide this information at this time.

32. Reference – Attachment 6, Pricing Schedule

Q: Attachment 6-1 will be used in evaluating the realism, completeness, and reasonableness of the price proposed for the CORE CLINS. Please clarify if additional details to support the summary cost elements should be submitted and in what format.

A: A revised attachment 6-1 is provided. Data is requested at the rolled-up/summary level.

33. Reference – Attachment 6, Pricing Schedule

Q: Attachment 6-1 will be used in evaluating the realism, completeness, and reasonableness of the price proposed for the CORE CLINS. Given the FFP nature of the work, it appears only summary data for labor (including FTEs per labor category) , materials, and offsite repairs would be requested. Please advise.

A: A revised attachment 6-1 is provided. Data is requested at the rolled-up/summary level.

34. Reference – Attachment 12, Submission Requirements, Para D, 2

Q: The paragraph reads, "and a monthly cost". Please consider a change to the paragraph to read, "and a monthly price".

A: Change "cost" to "price".

35. Reference – Attachment 12, Submission Requirements, Para D, IV, 5

Q: Please clarify whether the Attachment 6 Pricing tables must meet the font size requirements (12 pt Times New Roman)

A: Yes

36. Reference – Attachment 12, Submission Requirements, Para D, IV

Q: Sub paragraph 5 states, "For ease of evaluation, the breakout requested in Paragraph (IV) for Price, a soft copy, Microsoft excel (.xls compatible) file SHALL be submitted on CDROM (Microsoft Excel) in addition to a hard copy. The price information shall be provided separate from the other parts of the proposal (if there are differences between the hard and soft copy the hard copy will prevail)." Is the excel spreadsheet supposed to be modeled after the data contained in Attachment 6-1 and 6-2. Will the government provide the excel spreadsheet?

A: Yes

37. Reference – Attachment 12, Submission Requirements, Para D

Q: Submission requirements do not state as to whether the following requirements are to be provided as VOLUMES, or SECTIONS within one volume. I Management Approach, II Relevant Experience, III Past Performance, IV Price. However page 6 under Price details paragraph 5. says "The price information shall be provided separate from the other parts of the proposal." Does the Government wish to see these 4 sections as SEPARATE VOLUMES?

A: The submission requirements do not identify the need for volumes or sections for Management Approach, Relevant Experience, Past Performance or Price. Contactors are able to package their proposal as they see fit with the exception that price must be provided separately from the other parts of the proposal

submission.

38. Reference – Attachment 12, Submission Requirements, Para D

Q: There are not clear requirements as to how to submit the requested information to the Government. (D) 1. says to submit 3 original signed copies of the Standard Form 1449. Signed offer(s) shall be submitted in hard copy only. Page 4, III Past Performance and Safety, paragraph B 1 states to submit 2 copies of Attachment 8. Pages 5 and 6, IV Price, paragraph 5 states to submit a soft copy, Microsoft excel on CDROM in addition to A hard copy. Please clarify if we submit hard and soft copies of all requested data. Please clarify if requested data, except for Price, is to be in PDF or word format.

A: Submit 3 hard copies of all requested data and one soft copy of pricing for proposal.

39. Reference – Attachment 12, Submission Requirements, Para D

Q: The RFP states, "Accompanying your safety and health plan under separate cover, the contractor MUST submit 2 copies of Attachment 8." The Safety and Health Plan is requested under the MANAGEMENT APPROACH, and these requirements are under PAST PERFORMANCE. If these are separate volumes, then the submission requirements state that the Safety & Health Plan will be in one volume, and the Safety statistics requested on page 4 will be in the Past Performance volume. Please clarify if this assumption is correct. Also, please clarify what is meant by "under separate cover."

A: Yes, the assumption is correct. The Safety and Health Plan should be submitted under Management Approach. The rate data, Attachment 8, will be submitted under Past Performance. Separate cover indicates that the rate data is not a part of the Safety and Health Plan.

40. Reference – Attachment 12, Submission Requirements, Para D

Q: The RFP states, "The evaluation will be based on information obtained from references provided by the Offeror of relevant past contracts performed in the past three years as well as other past performance information obtained from other sources known by the Government i.e., Past Performance Information Retrieval System (PPIRS) or any other sources that may have useful and relevant information." We welcome the opportunity for our customers to evaluate and comment on our performance. However the last part of this sentence leads us to believe that the Government might use 'sources that may have useful and relevant information' that are not actually sources for whom we performed work and who have no vested interested in the outcome of this solicitation. For example, if the COR, CO, or COTR changed, is on vacation, or otherwise unable to provide valid information to the Government, we might not receive the same evaluation from individuals who do not directly officially oversee and evaluate our work, which may or may not be based on complete knowledge of our company's performance. Additionally, someone might not have sufficient knowledge of our performance as a subcontractor on a contract, unless they are the references we provide that we KNOW have knowledge of our performance. We also feel it would be inappropriate to evaluate our performance by questioning a former contractor who is a competitor on this solicitation. We welcome the Government to evaluate our performance on other contracts not submitted as part of our Past Performance section, by questioning the CO, COR, and/or COTR of those respective contracts.

A: Per the RFP (p 4): The Government will consider "other past performance information obtained from other sources known by the Government..." In accordance with FAR 15.305, the Government will also consider any information offered by offerors regarding problems encountered on the identified contracts and the offeror corrective actions.

41. Reference – Attachment 12, Submission Requirements, Para D, I (Management Approach), 6

Q: "Joint Ventures shall be approved by the SBA. All teaming offerors shall be reviewed by the SBA." Please clarify what is meant by all teaming offerors shall be reviewed by the SBA, since the paragraph is mainly addressing JVs need to be approved with proposal submission, we are unsure if you are requesting if teaming offerors are somehow reviewed by SBA prior to proposal submission.

A: Delete "All teaming offerors shall be reviewed by the SBA"

42. Reference – Attachment 12, Submission Requirements, Para D, 2

Q: The RFP states, "The Schedule in blocks 23 and 24 of the SF 1449 shall be completed by the offeror. NOTE: For CLIN 001 Offerors shall propose a phase-in price for a 30 day period. For CLIN 002, 004, 006, and 008 Offerors shall propose a yearly cost and a monthly cost." There are not areas for monthly costs in the SF1449. It clearly states a period of performance for each CLIN, and they are not by month or year. The CLINS have various periods of performance for the different CLINS. Please advise on how to deconflict these instructions.

A: Submit the monthly price in block 23 of the SF1449 and the total price for the period of performance for each CLIN in block 24

43. Reference – Attachment 13, Experience Evaluation Form

Q: The Experience Evaluation forms stats that 'modeling' is a required environmental science service however there is not a description of this work included in the PWS. Can the government further clarify and define the work required by the contractor with respect to environmental modeling services and what, if any software is needed?

A: The contractor will be utilizing groundwater data obtained from the laboratory where GIS modeling and layer creation is completed using the NASA Esri software. No additional software is required.

44. Reference – Attachment 14, Past Performance Evaluation

Q: There is no rating available if an item in the Past Performance Evaluation Form is NOT APPLICABLE to that contract. For example, all cited contracts may not have subcontracts to evaluate subcontract management or key personnel to evaluate, additionally all contract may not have 'production time or defects' that are evaluated. Please advise on how to address these as these forms have already been sent to references for completion.

A: Block may be left blank or a comment inserted.

45. Reference – Attachment 14, Past Performance Evaluation

Q: The Past Performance Evaluation Form requests OSHA violations for the past three years. All contracts may not cover the entire 'last three years' as they could have ended or began sometime in the middle of that time period. We request that this information be changed to 'last three years of contract performance, if applicable.' Also, our references may not have the data to compare our statistics to national averages in order to submit a rating that would be in line with our actual performance. We request that bidders submit this data and allow proposal evaluators to evaluate our safety performance against national statistics for NAICS codes of our PPIs.

A: The Government will consider OSHA violations in the past three years, evaluation of TRIR Rates, evaluation of EMR Rates, and evaluation for DART Rates (Past Performance Evaluation Form.) So long as there was substantive performance of the contract available in the three year window, the Government will consider the proposer's OSHA violations in the past three years.

46. Reference – Multiple

Q: This is a multi-faceted question, citing conflicting instructions throughout the RFP on the determination and bidding of CORE/IDIQ work, particularly at MAF. The RFP states, "Requirements listed in this PWS are considered Core Service Operations or 'Core' with the exception of those elements identified as IDIQ." RFP states, "Laboratory CORE Services include all work identified in the PWS." The RFP states, "All MAF lab services will be IDIQ except lab management and the calibration of the facility equipment." The detailed PWS lists materials, metals, non-metals, foams, composites, fluids, etc for mechanical testing, metallographic and gas and material analysis testing functions to be performed at MAF. Since it is in the PWS and not labeled IDIQ, this would make this work at MAF CORE work. However, the Appendix A

Historical Workloads and Estimated Future Requirements does not list ANY of these tests performed at MAF as CORE, and includes those tested listed in PWS 4.4, page 27-28 as DEMAND work (IDIQ) at MAF. The PRS states, "(Immediate turnaround required to support MAF manufacturing operations)" in the Performance Standards column. Page 15 of 73 under 1.2.1 Production Support MAF, states that the production support is through IDIQ task orders. Since all production work at MAF is IDIQ, and there are no CORE personnel, so it would seem difficult to provide 'immediate' support when personnel are procured through the IDIQ system, not with a standing CORE team to provide that support. Please clarify these discrepancies between CORE and IDIQ work at MAF so we can accurately propose CORE and IDIQ breakouts.

A: The materials detailed in the PWS 4.4 page 28 for MAF are considered IDIQ. Immediate work is not to be used for planned work. This will be used in the case of a work stoppage or test hold up issue and will be negotiated between the customer and the contractor on a case by case basis. At MAF this will be IDIQ work.

47. Reference – Attachment 15, Science Laboratory Annual Sample Plan, Para 5.5.4

Q: As it relates to "Leachate testing on a variety of wastes", what is the annual number of samples tested? Please provide historical data of this sampling.

A: Leachate sampling is TCLP. Historically, that has been 20 to 25 samples annually. This test is not performed at MAF and is not listed in DRD EN-8.

48. Reference – Attachment 15, Science Laboratory Annual Sample Plan, Para 5.3.1

Q: Who shoulders the financial cost of sending the sample back to the State(s)? How many samples are analyzed annually by the State?

A: This is only associated with drinking water. Approximately, 30 samples are collected annually and those samples are taken to the Picayune Health Department for courier pickup to the certified state laboratory 8 times per year. This cost is within SACOM if required at MAF.

49. Reference – Site Visit Presentation

Q: The Site Visit presentation page 12 and Mr. Norris stated that the award announcement will be made late March and the successful contractor would be expected to begin phase-in within a few days. Such a late announcement of award favors the incumbent team, as they will not have to wait for potential or proposed employees to submit notice to current employers and get on the ground at SSC. We respectfully request that all bidders be allotted a minimum 2 week notice to begin Phase-In activities and give all bidders the same opportunity to adequately staff for the commencement of Phase-In activities.

A: A two week notice will not be provided.

50. Reference – General Question

Q: Can the Government please provide all documents in the native format instead of pdf. Even using Adobe Pro, some pdf files are not searchable as the table in them are images, and it is very difficult to find key words and phrases without search capability.

A: No

51. Reference – Attachment 12, Submission Requirements, Para D, 5, (I)(5)

Q: It has been our experience in the past that FAR 52.222-46 takes numerous pages to adequately cover all requirements. Can the TCP be excluded from the page count of the Management Approach?

A: No. It is included in the Management Approach page count.

52. Reference – Attachment 12, Submission Requirements, Para D, 5, (IV)

Q: According to section 52.212-1(D) 5 of the subject RFP: Tables, Graphs, and Charts are not exempt from

the 12 pt Times New Roman character size. Will NASA allow a 10 pt font size for Tables, Graphs, and Charts?

A: No

53. Reference – General Question

Q: Please provide the total value of contract NNS10AA47C for the POP May 1, 2010 - April 30, 2015. Separately please provide the value of the 3 year option.

A: Total value (May 1, 2010 – April 30, 2015) is \$26,207,590
Value Option Period 2 (May 1, 2012 – April 30, 2015) is \$13,910,305

54. Reference – General Question

Q: Please provide the current value/cost of the additional service's that will be added from the Jacob's contract NNM09AA20C for POP May 1, 2009 - April 30, 2015. If you are only able to provide a different POP and value, please explain the period of performance the values cover.

A: This information is not available.

55. Reference – Attachment 12, Submission Requirements, Para D, 5, (I)(3) Management Approach

Q: Will the Safety and Health Plan be included in the evaluation of the Management Approach.

A: No, the Safety and Health Plan must be submitted for review with the proposal however it will not be evaluated.

56. Reference – Attachment 12, Submission Requirements, Para D, 5, (III)(B)(1) (i) and (ii) Safety

Q: Are both OSHA 300 & 300A logs required to be submitted as evidence of Total Recordable Incident Rate and Days away from work, days of restricted work activity?

A: No, OSAH 300 logs are hereby removed as a required submission item. Offerors must still submit OSHA 300A logs.

57. Reference – RFP Attachment 6-1, Pricing Schedule

Remove and replace Attachment 6-1 with the included Attachment 6-1, Revision 1, dated 12-19-14

f. All other terms and conditions remain unchanged.

ATTACHMENT 6-1 Revision 1, dated 12-19-14

To be completed by the offeror, to identify core price by laboratory/service area. Will be used by the government to evaluate the realism, completeness and reasonableness of the price proposal for CLINs 001, 002, 004, 006 & 008.

	CLIN 001 Phase-In Period 1 Apr 2015 - 30 Apr 2015	CLIN 002 Base Period 1 May 2015 - 30 Sep 2016	CLIN 004 First Option Period 1 Oct 2016 - 30 Sep 2017	CLIN 006 Second Option Period 1 Oct 2017 - 30 Sep 2018	CLIN 008 Third Option Period 1 Oct 2018 - 30 Sep 2020
Measurement Standards & Calibration Laboratory					
Gas & Material Analysis Services					
Environmental Laboratory Services					
Stennis Institutional Geographic Information Systems (SIGIS)					
Total Price					
Grand Total					

To be completed by the offeror. Will be used by the government to evaluate the realism, completeness and reasonableness of the price proposal for CLINs 001, 002, 004, 006 & 008.

	CLIN 001 Phase-In Period 1 Apr 2015 - 30 Apr 2015	CLIN 002 Base Period 1 May 2015 - 30 Sep 2016	CLIN 004 First Option Period 1 Oct 2016 - 30 Sep 2017	CLIN 006 Second Option Period 1 Oct 2017 - 30 Sep 2018	CLIN 008 Third Option Period 1 Oct 2018 - 30 Sep 2020
Material					
Labor					
Subcontracts					
Overhead					
G&A					
Profit					
Sub Element Total*					
Grand Total					

*Note: The sub element total is included in the above total price. The price entered in this line shall equal the total price above.