

**CONTRACTS OPERATIONS BRANCH
NATIONAL HEART, LUNG, AND BLOOD INSTITUTE**

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL NUMBER NHLBI-HB-05-06

Amendment No. 2

DATE OF ISSUANCE: April 19, 2004

The above numbered solicitation is amended as set forth below. **The hour and the date specified for receipt of Offers remains unchanged.** Offerors must acknowledge receipt of the amendment prior to the hour and the date specified in the solicitation or as amended, by one of the following methods:

1. By requesting a copy of the Standard Form 30 for this amendment and completing the information requested in items 8 and 15, and returning 1 copy of the amendment; (a hard copy of this amendment, including the Standard Form 30 may be requested from)
2. By acknowledging receipt of this amendment on each copy of the offer submitted; or
3. By separate letter, telegram, or Electronic Mail 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 DATE SPECIFIED MAY RESULT IN REJECTION OF YOUR OFFER.

This amendment revises the RFP as stated below.

The purpose of this amendment is to (1) amend the Statement of Work, and (2) provide responses to questions received from potential offerors.

1. Statement of Work, paragraph c., Phase I: Moving of Biological Repository and Government Furnished Equipment, is amended to add the following in the event freezers/specimens need to be relocated. In addition, **Note to offerors** is added under Phase I.

"Under the supervision of the incumbent, the contractor shall move the freezers from within the current location to the loading area. The contractor shall follow the safety policies of the incumbent at all times."

[Note to offerors: All freezers are located in one of two large rooms that have direct access to the loading docks. Floor covering will not be required.]

2. Statement of Work, paragraph c., Phase II, Task 4 - Add Specimens to the Repository, is amended to add the following sentences. In addition, **For solicitation purposes**, is added under Task 4.

"The Contractor shall provide, to the sites, all necessary supplies needed to package and ship specimens to the repository. All shipping and supply costs shall be borne by the contract."

[For solicitation purposes, offerors shall assume supply costs for the sites to ship specimens to the repository; shipping costs associated with sending supplies to the site; and shipping costs associated with sending specimens from the site to the repository. Assume 15 sites per year and an anticipated growth rate of the repository of 4 percent per year.]

The following questions and answers are provided as clarifications:

1. Question: Is there location trailer accessibility at the incumbent's site?
Response: Yes.
2. Question: Are there dock doors at origin location or will lift gates be required?
Response: Lift gates will be required. Loading docks are street level.