

FINAL Questions pertaining to Solicitation#TIRNO-08-R-00004 – 4/2/2008

- (46) It is our understanding that the following Modifications and Amendments have been issued:
- **Modification No. 1:** "Vendors responding to this solicitation are advised that pricing should be provided on the Pricing Spreadsheets titled ERSPRICING REVISED. Respondents using any prior versions of this document to submit pricing information, will be considered non responsive." This Modification No. 1 does ***not*** include an accompanying Standard Form 30 amendment or acknowledgement.
 - **Modification No. 2:** "The purpose of this amendment is to provide answers to RFP questions submitted to the Government (see attachment). The final due date and time for receipt of all questions is March 24, 2008 by 12 Noon EST." This Modification No. 2 does ***not*** include an accompanying Standard Form 30 amendment or acknowledgement.
 - **Modification No. 3:** "The purpose of this amendment is to : (1) extend the due date for receipt of proposals to April 14, 2008 at 12 noon (EST); (2) extend the final due date for receipt of all questions to March 31, 2008 at 12 noon (EST); and (3) provide responses to vendor questions." This Modification No. 3 ***does*** include this Amendment No. 1 on a Standard Form 30, requiring it be signed and returned to the issuing office.
 - **Modification No. 4:** "The purpose of this amendment is to: (1) extend the page limitation for Volume II, Technical and Past Performance Proposal to 150 pages; (2) move 'Briefs' from Section 7.2, Mandatory Content of the statement of work (Section I of the RFP) to Section 7.3, Highly Desirable Content; and (3) provide responses to vendor questions." This Modification No. 4 ***does*** include this Amendment No. 2 on a Standard Form 30, but it is not indicated if it should be signed and returned to the issuing office.

Can you please confirm the above information is correct and that there are no corresponding Amendments on Standard Form 30 for Modifications Nos. 1 and 2 noted above?

The above information is correct. Additionally, no Standard Form (SF) 30 documentation was issued for Modifications 1 and 2.

Should copies of the FedBizOpps Modification Notifications for Modifications 1 and 2 be included with the bid response in acknowledgement of the Solicitation Amendments, in lieu of a modification/amendment on a Standard Form 30?

Copies of the notifications for Modifications 1 and 2 can be submitted as acknowledgement of these amendments.

Should Amendments 1 and 2 on Standard Form 30 be signed and returned to the issuing office prior to their submission within the submitted bid, due April 14, 2008?

All SF 30 copies that were issued in response to the RFP should be signed and included in the vendor's offer.

- (47) Section V, 2.0: All proposals shall be clearly labeled, on the outside with the offeror's name, address and solicitation number. All pages of each proposal shall be appropriately numbered, and identified with the name of the offeror and solicitation number, to the extent practicable. An original and five (5) photocopies of the proposal and all supporting documentation, along with one electronic copy (floppy disk or CD-Rom), shall be submitted. At least one copy shall be in loose- leaf binder format. Offerors shall submit proposals consisting of two separate volumes. Volume I is the *Price and Business Proposal*. Volume II is the *Technical Proposal*. Specific instructions for the preparation of each proposal will be set forth below. Proposals shall be submitted on single sided 8 ½" x 11" paper, with font size no smaller than 12 points. Technical Proposals (Volume II) shall not exceed 100 pages. Any pages in excess of 100 will not be considered. This page limitation does not apply to the Volume I, Price and Business Proposal. The disk or CD copy shall be formatted in MS Office

Version 6 or higher. All disks shall include a label identifying the offeror's name, address and solicitation number.

Please clarify the requirements for "one electronic copy".

- Should the CD contain all documentation from Vol I and Vol II.? In addition to the Award Proposals, should the CD include Form 1449 Proposal, Price Proposal, Subcontracting Plan, Reqs & Certs, electronic copies (PDFs) of Quick Reference Guides, User Manuals, and other supporting documentation?

The electronic copy (CD ROM or Floppy Disk) must replicate the hard copies of BOTH volumes (Price/Business and Technical/Past Performance) of the vendor's proposals i.e. it must include ALL documents that were submitted as part of the vendor's written offer. NOTE: If a vendor submits the lists of requested databases, sources and products lists and descriptions on CD-ROM (reference response to question 30 dated 3/20/08), there is no need to replicate this content in the copy of the vendor's electronic proposal. The electronic copy can include multiple discs in order to adequately furnish all of the requisite information.

- Should there be only one copy of the CD submitted or one copy included in each of the six submitted sets?

Only one electronic copy of the proposals is required. A copy is not required for each of the six submitted sets.

- Should a separate CD be submitted for each Award Group proposal or should all Award Group proposals be included on the same CD?

If proposing on more than one award group, it is encouraged to submit an electronic copy of each separate award group proposals.