

**ADDENDUM  
FOR  
DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS  
CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA**

**CORRECT INDUCTION UNITS, 5B SOUTH  
PROJECT NUMBER: 534-12-110  
LAI PROJECT NUMBER: 11509**

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**TO: ALL BIDDERS OF RECORD**

This Addendum modifies the Contract Documents only in the manner and to the extent stated herein and shown on any accompanying drawings and will become a part of the Contract Documents. Except as specified or otherwise indicated by this Addendum, all work shall be in accordance with the basic requirements of the Contract Documents.

BIDDERS SHALL ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF ADDENDUM IN THE SPACE PROVIDED ON THE BID FORM. FAILURE TO DO SO MAY CONSTITUTE INFORMALITY IN THE BID.

This Addendum consists of four (4) pages and the following enclosures:

**I. ENCLOSURES:**

1. Drawing Sheet S-1 HVAC RAILS AND MISCELLANEOUS DETAILS

**II. GENERAL CLARIFICATIONS:**

1. TO CLARIFY, the cutoff date for RFI questions is Friday, October 11, 2013.
2. TO CLARIFY, there have been requests for finish and associated manufacturer/product substitution. The VAMC has an approved standard of finishes. No substitutions are permitted.
3. TO CLARIFY, storage, laydown, staging, job trailers, and parking are not guaranteed on VA property. Proposal shall include off site arrangements for these items. The contractor shall manage material control to ensure that the need for lay down area is limited.
4. TO CLARIFY, a crane will be necessary to lift the air handling unit onto the 5<sup>th</sup> floor roof. The VA is in agreement that the most convenient location for the crane is next to the building at the emergency entrance. Therefore, the VA shall approve use of the emergency entrance for the crane location. However, the emergency department is in operation 7 days a week and 24 hours a day. The COTR will provide and approve the day, time, and extent of the crane lift due to the impact on the emergency department.
5. TO CLARIFY, specific elevators and stairwell will be allowed to transport material in and out of the building. Contractors must comply with VA regulations for safety and infection control when transporting material through the medical center. Transportation of material may only be allowed after hours and on weekends per approval of the COTR.
6. TO CLARIFY, the current fire alarm system is Spectronics and Coastal (Savannah, Georgia) is the certified vendor. However, a Honeywell Gamewell system is under construction and shall replace the Spectronics system when the Honeywell system is complete in August 2014. Any work related to the Spectronics fire alarm system shall be

done as a part of this contract by Coastal. Any work related to the Honeywell Gamewell system shall be done as a part of this contract by Virginia Sprinkler Company (Charleston) as certified vendor.

7. TO CLARIFY, the mass notification system/public address system existing in the corridor ceilings is functional and shall remain in operation. Replace the existing speakers and connect with existing public address system. The public address system shall be tested and repaired if deemed necessary by the COTR at the completion of the project.
8. TO CLARIFY, demolition work may be required above the ceiling on the 4B South inpatient ward to disconnect the induction unit piping from the induction units on the 5<sup>th</sup> floor. If access is required, the Contractor shall have 10 hours to perform all work necessary in each 4BS patient room. An in-patient ward is used to care for patients that stay overnight. Furniture shall be removed by the VA from one patient room at a time as deemed necessary by the COTR. Furniture shall be limited to a bed. Follow the infection control guidelines in the contract documents. If any demolition in 4BS patient rooms, Contractor must repair with new material acceptable to COTR.
9. TO CLARIFY, install exhaust fan in roof of third floor mechanical room penthouse. Provide opening in roof with roof curb and associated material to make installation weather tight. Utilize roofing contract services of Tremco Corporation as company holding the roofing warranty. Provide power from closest electrical panel within 50 ft. of the fan for a 220 V/3phase exhaust fan. Provide disconnect and associated electrical equipment to comply with NEC. Fan shall provide 800 CFM exhaust @ ½" SP. Provide new breaker in existing panel for 240 V/ 3 phase. Exhaust fan package shall have a thermostat for on off control.
10. TO CLARIFY, per sheets X-3 and X-4 *General Note 2*, temporary walls should be constructed to separate each phase of construction. Refer to sheet A-6 for typical interior temporary wall construction.
11. To CLARIFY, closet B561 appears in Phase 2 on sheet X-4 because the door is to be refinished per drawing sheets A-2 & A-9, a new light is to be installed in the existing ceiling per drawing sheet A-4, as well as other work per the contract documents as related to the telecommunication system. Care should be taken in this room due to existing IT equipment. Coordinate with COTR prior to commencing any work in this room.
12. TO CLARIFY, per sheet A-1 *General Demolition Note 6* states that all major demolition and construction work in the project will be done during off hours. Loud noises, vibrations, airborne contaminants/dust, and housekeeping are concerns to medical center staff due to patient care and staff operations. Construction can occur during normal business hours but if any of these concerns are excessive based on the judgment of the COTR, an alternate schedule will be provided and approved by the COTR to perform specific types of construction.
13. TO CLARIFY, per sheet A-1 *General Demolition Note 9* states that the door to the construction entrance shall have an electric strike connected to the fire alarm. All work on drawings shall be provided by the Contractor unless noted otherwise on plans. Therefore, the contractor shall provide electric strike, associated door hardware, and fire alarm contractor services from Virginia Sprinkler Company (VSC) or Coastal Services (Savannah, Georgia) to terminate fire alarm hardware. Refer to hardware SET J on sheet A-9 for further information on doors to construction entrance. Coastal provides service for Spectronics fire alarm and VSC provides service for Honeywell Gamewell fire alarm. Spectronics will be the active fire alarm system until Honeywell Gamewell system replaces Spectronics. Honeywell Gamewell fire alarm system is under construction and shall be complete no later than August 2014. The contractor must connect all new fire alarm hardware with the medical center Honeywell Gamewell system when Honeywell Gamewell system becomes operational.
14. TO CLARIFY, per sheet A-1 *General Demolition Note 14*, existing room signage will be retained and reinstalled in the project. Contractor shall provide additional signage as required to accommodate new room layout. New lettering and numbering shall be provided to the existing signs as needed to match the new floor plan.

15. TO CLARIFY, per sheet A-1 *Demolition Note 1*, due to the age of the building and various flooring installations over time, the VA standard is for all floors to be bead blasted for adherence of new materials.
16. TO CLARIFY, per sheet A-1, asbestos is identified by *Demolition Note 4*. See *Sheet Legend* indicating hatch pattern for areas of asbestos containing materials. Although the drawings indicate that only certain rooms have asbestos, all rooms in the scope of work have asbestos flooring and mastic except for corridors COR5B5, COR5B6, COR5B7, and COR5B8. The contractor shall test and abate all asbestos found in any rooms except for corridors. Note that Rooms B570 and B571 are not in the scope of work.
17. TO CLARIFY, per sheet A-1 *Demolition Note 12* refers to a plaster ceiling concealed by a suspended ceiling system. The Contractor shall proceed with the assumption that the ceiling shall be demolished, however during demolition, the Contractor shall coordinate with the COTR to determine existing conditions above ceiling.
18. TO CLARIFY, the definition of "clear floor space" as indicated in *General Dimensioned Plan Note 3* on sheet A-3 means no obstructions, including furniture, shall be placed in the particular zone identified by the note. This is a requirement of the accessibility guidelines.
19. TO CLARIFY, room B509C was eliminated by the VAMC late in the project, and therefore should have been eliminated from the *Room Finish Schedule* on drawing sheet A-7, as well.
20. To CLARIFY, sheet S-1 HVAC RAILS AND MISCELLANEOUS DETAILS was not included in the original contract documents. This sheet has been provided as an enclosure to this Addendum.
21. TO CLARIFY, a question has been posed requesting the location of Panel 3HLS1 in relation to panel 5HLS1. Panel 3HLS1 is shown on sheet E-5. For reference, the chase indicated on the drawings adjacent to the electrical room on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor plan (detail 4/E-5) is the same chase that is adjacent to rooms B561 and B573 on the fifth floor plan (1/E5).
22. TO CLARIFY, lightning protection shall be installed per note 3 on sheet E-9.

### III. CHANGES TO SPECIFICATIONS:

1. TO CLARIFY, per reference section 010000-4, paragraph 1.2.D.2, permits shall not be issued for contractor to park in designated areas
2. TO CLARIFY, per Section 013323 Shop Drawings, Product Data, and Samples, the VAMC plans to process all shop drawings and product data via electronic submittal process. The Vendor for electronic submittal processing is Submittal Exchange. Although current rates as of the date of the Project Manual are included in the specification, it is suggested that those interested contact Submittal Exchange/Textura at the following:

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3. TO CLARIFY, per Section 230923 the system integrator must be CMI (Columbia, S.C.) to integrate any DDC equipment with the existing energy management control system known as Siemens. All DDC equipment must integrate with the existing energy management system.

**IV. CHANGES TO DRAWINGS:**

1. Drawing A-1 – ADD the Demolition Note Tag #4 to Rooms B562, B563. Note that B570 and B571 are not in the project scope.
2. Drawing A-2 – REPLACE door and hardware so doors can swing into rooms B562 and B564. Doors and hardware shall match all other office doors in 5BS.
3. Drawing A-7
  - Eliminate ALL reference to Room B509C.
  - ADD SS-2 to CASEWORK.

Solid Surface Countertops

SS-2

Manufacturer: LG Hausys

Style: Viatera

Color: Silver Lake

4. Drawing A-8
  - Detail 5 – countertops to receive SS-2; plastic laminate on vertical surfaces (cabinetry) to receive PLAM-1.
  - *Equipment Legend* – change reference for solid surface countertop in P12 to SS-2.
5. Drawing S-1 – ADD to drawing set.

**V. SUBSTITUTION REQUESTS:**

1. None.

**END OF ADDENDUM**