
SOLICITATION
FOR
VA MONTANA HEALTHCARE SYSTEM
MILES CITY CAMPUS



VETERAN AFFAIRS MEDICAL CENTER
COMPLETE ASBESTOS ABATEMENT,
REMEDIATION, AND RESTORATION
IN BUILDINGS 1, 18, AND 20

Solicitation Number: VA-259-14-R-0104

SOLICITATION, OFFER, AND AWARD (Construction, Alteration, or Repair)	1. SOLICITATION NO.	2. TYPE OF SOLICITATION	3. DATE ISSUED	PAGE OF PAGES
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IMPORTANT - The "offer" section on the reverse must be fully completed by offeror.

4. CONTRACT NO.	5. REQUISITION/PURCHASE REQUEST NO.	6. PROJECT NO.
	436-14-1-5661-0001	436-14-106

7. ISSUED BY	8. ADDRESS OFFER TO
Department of Veterans Affairs Rocky Mountain Network VISN 19 Contracting 4100 E. Mississippi Avenue, Suite 900 Glendale CO 80246	Department of Veterans Affairs Rocky Mountain Network VISN 19 Contracting 4100 E. Mississippi Avenue, Suite 900 Glendale CO 80246

9. FOR INFORMATION CALL:	A. NAME	B. TELEPHONE NO. (Include area code) (NO COLLECT CALLS)
	Tracy Lynn Jackson	303.372.7044

SOLICITATION

NOTE: In sealed bid solicitations "offer" and "offeror" mean "bid" and "bidder".

10. THE GOVERNMENT REQUIRES PERFORMANCE OF THE WORK DESCRIBED IN THESE DOCUMENTS (Title, identifying no., date):

The Contractor shall furnish all plant, profit, labor, tools, parts, equipment, appliances, transportation, parking, materials, Bonds, and incidentals needed to perform all operations required to complete the work in conformity with the drawings, Scope of Work, & specifications for VA Project NO, 436-14-106: COMPLETE ASBESTOS ABATEMENT, REMEDIATION, AND RESTORATION in BUILDINGS 1, 18, and 20.

1. SF 1442, Solicitation Offer and Award
2. Instructions, Conditions and Other Statements to Offeror
3. Statement of Work
4. General Conditions
5. Attachments

The NAICS Code for this requirement is 562910, Remediation Services. The Small Business Size standard is \$19 Million.

Cost Range for Work: Between \$2,000,000 and \$5,000,000.

According to VAAR 852.219-10 this requirement is 100% set-aside for Service Disabled Veteran Owned Small Business (SDVOSB). All offerors must be certified by VA CVE, or the offeror will be rejected with no further consideration.

A site visit will be held on February 12, 2014 at 9:00 A.M. (MST) at the Miles City VA Montana Campus. See Clause 52.236-26 for details.

****Deadline for submittal of questions: All Questions must be submitted in writing to Tracy Lynn Jackson via email (tracy.jackson2@va.gov) by 5:00 P.M. (MST), February 18, 2014.

***Proposals are due on March 10, 2014 at 11:00 am MST via email. See instructions to offerors for details.

11. The Contractor shall begin performance within <u>10</u> calendar days and complete it within <u>365 days</u> calendar days after receiving <input type="checkbox"/> award, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> notice to proceed. This performance period is <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> mandatory, <input type="checkbox"/> negotiable. (See <u>52.211-10</u> .)	
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12A. THE CONTRACTOR MUST FURNISH ANY REQUIRED PERFORMANCE AND PAYMENT BONDS? (If "YES," indicate within how many calendar days after award in Item 12B.) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	12B. CALENDAR DAYS 10
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13. ADDITIONAL SOLICITATION REQUIREMENTS:

- Sealed offers in original and 0 copies to perform the work required are due at the place specified in Item 8 by 11:00am MT (hour) local time 03-10-2014 (date). If this is a sealed bid solicitation, offers must be publicly opened at that time. Sealed envelopes containing offers shall be marked to show the offeror's name and address, the solicitation number, the date and time offers are due
- An offer guarantee ☒ is, ☐ is not required.
- All offers are subject to the (1) work requirements, and (2) other provisions and clauses incorporated in the solicitation in full text or by reference
- Offers providing less than 90 calendar days for Government acceptance after the date offers are due will not be considered and will be rejected.

OFFER(Must be fully completed by offeror)

14. NAME AND ADDRESS OF OFFEROR (Include ZIP Code)	15. TELEPHONE NO. (Include area code)
	16. REMITTANCE ADDRESS (Include only if different than Item 14)
CODE FACILITY CODE	

17. The offeror agrees to perform the work required at the prices specified below in strict accordance with the terms of the solicitation, if this offer is accepted by the Government in writing within _____ calendar days after the date offers are due. (Insert any number equal to or greater than the minimum requirement stated in Item 13D. Failure to insert any number means the offeror accepts the minimum in Item 13D.)

AMOUNTS

18. The offeror agrees to furnish any required performance and payment bonds.

19. ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF AMENDMENTS

(The offeror acknowledges receipt of amendments to the solicitation - give number and date of each)

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20A. NAME AND TITLE OF PERSON AUTHORIZED TO SIGN OFFER (Type or print)	20B. SIGNATURE	20C. OFFER DATE
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AWARD (To be completed by Government)

21. ITEMS ACCEPTED:

22. AMOUNT	23. ACCOUNTING AND APPROPRIATION DATA
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24. SUBMIT INVOICES TO ADDRESS SHOWN IN (4 copies unless otherwise specified)	ITEM	25. OTHER THAN FULL AND OPEN COMPETITION PURSUANT TO <input type="checkbox"/> 10 U.S.C. 2304(c)() <input type="checkbox"/> 41 U.S.C. 253(c) () <input type="checkbox"/>
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26. ADMINISTERED BY		CODE	27. PAYMENT WILL BE MADE BY	
Department of Veterans Affairs			Department of Veterans Affairs	
Rocky Mountain Network			Financial Service Center	
VISN 19 Contracting			PO Box 149971	
4100 E. Mississippi Avenue, Suite 900			Austin TX 78714-9971	
Glendale CO 80246			PHONE:	FAX:

CONTRACTING OFFICER WILL COMPLETE ITEM 28 OR 29 AS APPLICABLE

<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 28. NEGOTIATED AGREEMENT (Contractor is required to sign this document and return <u>1</u> copies to issuing office.) Contractor agrees to furnish and deliver all items or perform all work, requisitions identified on this form and any continuation sheets for the consideration stated in this contract. The rights and obligations of the parties to this contract shall be governed by (a) this contract award, (b) the solicitation, and (c) the clauses, representations, certifications, and specifications incorporated by reference in or attached to this contract.</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> 29. AWARD (Contractor is not required to sign this document.) Your offer on this solicitation, is hereby accepted as to the items listed. This award consummates the contract, which consists of (a) the Government solicitation and your offer, and (b) this contract award. No further contractual document is necessary.</p>
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30A. NAME AND TITLE OF CONTRACTOR OR PERSON AUTHORIZED TO SIGN (Type or print)	31A. NAME OF CONTRACTING OFFICER (Type or print) Danny Freeman
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30B. SIGNATURE		30C. DATE	31B. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	
			BY	

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SCOPE OF WORK

The general scope of this project consists of Asbestos Abatement, Remediation, and Restoration in Buildings 1, 8, and 20 of the VA Montana Miles City Campus as detailed in the construction documents for the titled project with project reference to 436-13-101. Phase 1, as delineated in the construction documents of this project, has been awarded. The remaining work shall be awarded to one contractor for phases 2 through 16, as represented on the pricing schedule for this acquisition. The intent of the project is to abate, remediate, and restore the remaining 15 phases.

Offerors shall review the following final revised drawings to complete the pricing schedule: Miles City Asbestos Addendum 1, Miles City Asbestos Addendum 2, Miles City VA Current Set (Phase 2-16) 1 of 3, Miles City VA Current Set (Phase 2-16) 2 of 3, Miles City VA Current Set (Phase 2-16) 3 of 3, and VAMC Miles City Composite Sheet Summary.

Site Mitigation shall include restoration and replacement of removed materials which is also an integral part of the project. The space shall be returned to useable condition and is to be conducted in accordance with the design. Work is divided into 16 phases to allow continuity of operations while construction activities are taking place. Each phase is complete, severable and not dependent on other phases of the project. Due to requirements in NFPA 101 Life Safety Code, a minimum of two egress routes for each occupied space must be maintained. To ensure the safety of VA patients, staff, as well as tenants in the space, phasing is structured to allow for egress routes to be maintained throughout the course of construction. Since the building is roughly 50% occupied by tenants, current tenants must be relocated during abatement in their leased areas.

Phases 2-16 are segregated based on the need of the VA to coordinate movements of tenants and the requirement to ensure compliance to NFPA 101 Life Safety Code. Work requiring relocation of tenants is subject to notification requirements as documented in specification section 01 32 17. If the contractor provides a schedule resulting in any violations of NFPA 101 Life Safety Code during any work, they must also submit proposed interim life safety measures for VA review. Any actions necessitated by NFPA 101 Life Safety Code (fire walks, changes of exit signage) that would not otherwise be required if phases were done independently will be the responsibility of the contractor. VA submittal requirements are documented in specification section 01 32 17.

A phase will be considered to be in progress from the time work initiates until such time as clearance sampling has been returned and found acceptable for utilization of the area. Clearance testing is excluded from this scope of work; however the contractor will be responsible for providing notice five business days in advance of requesting clearance sampling as a means of reducing delay between phases. The contractor shall coordinate closely with the VA construction management designee to ensure impacts to occupants are mitigated and schedules are maintained in order to deliver a successful project.

CONTRACTOR REQUIREMENTS

Barricading of work areas is required to keep the worksite clean during the complete asbestos abatement, remediation, and restoration in Buildings 1, 8, and 20 of the VA Montana Miles City Campus. Utility outages and other worksite conditions are specifically listed in the specifications and solicitation documents. The patient care areas on first floor of the building are subject to the Joint Commission and, as such, an infection control risk assessment will be performed prior to each phase in the area. The remainder of the facility can be completed in a single infection control risk assessment. The infection control risk assessments are conducted to ensure precautions are in place to mitigate risk of infection to patients or staff. The assessments are generally not more burdensome than what is required in the specification. The contractor shall be required to post the infection control risk assessment on the job site while work is being performed. Requirements are stated in the construction documents and shall be addressed through the site specific safety plan.

Disposal of all asbestos containing material shall be documented on a disposal manifest which shall then be provided to the VA Environmental Management subject matter expert in addition to the VA construction management designee. Disposal of regulated asbestos-containing waste shall be disposed in a State-approved Class II landfill; ensuring disposal does not result in Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) hazardous waste. RCRA hazardous waste is a waste that appears on one of the four hazardous wastes lists (F-list, K-list, P-list, or U-list), or exhibits at least one of four characteristics-ignitability, corrosively, reactivity, or toxicity.

MONTANA GOVERNANCE OF ACTIVITIES INVOLVING ASBESTOS

In Montana, activities involving asbestos in buildings are governed by multiple regulatory authorities, i.e. State of Montana Department of Environmental Quality (MTDEQ), Federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA). The Montana DEQ Asbestos Control Program (ACP) oversees the permitting of asbestos abatement projects, the accreditation of asbestos-related occupations, and provides compliance assistance to the regulated community and interested parties. The ACP is also delegated by the EPA to administer the National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP), 40 CFR Part 61 Subpart A, and the National Emission Standard for Asbestos, 40 CFR Part 61 Subpart M).

When asbestos containing materials (ACM) are identified by the asbestos inspection, the regulated ACM shall be removed by an accredited asbestos project contractor. The contractor shall follow proper asbestos removal procedures under an asbestos project permit issued by the ACP. To be certified in the State of Montana, the contractors shall follow the criteria below:

- Complete an initial EPA- or Montana-approved training course respective to the discipline to be accredited in or complete an EPA- or Montana-approved refresher course if it has been a year since the initial or refresher course was completed.
- Complete the Montana Accreditation Application Asbestos Related Occupations either online at <https://app.mt.gov/asbestos/> or submit the form and copies of the initial and all refresher course certificates along with the applicable fee as outlined below. Make sure that the Course Date, Current Course Completion Date, Course Certificate Number, and MTA number (if applicable), signature, and date are completed. Non-completion of these cells may result in the application being returned.
- MTDEQ does *not* require additional or asbestos abatement professional liability insurance.
- MTDEQ does require a permit request to be submitted within 10 working days of need for the disposal of regulated asbestos in a state-approved Class II landfill.
- MTDEQ does require notification of demolition in an asbestos containment area within 10 working days of activity.
- The VA does require the following statement in the contract “*There shall be no exclusionary clauses added to the contract for any asbestos related work that would void the required General Liability Insurance*” which is in the requirements portion of this solicitation, Information Regarding Bidding Material, Bid Guarantee and Bonds.

The specifications call for an OSHA “Competent Person” for the superintendent of the project.

The specifications require Hazardous Waste Operations and Emergency Response (HAZWOPER). ***** The acronym HAZWOPER refers to five distinct types of employers and their employees including any employees who are exposed or potentially exposed to hazardous substances -- including hazardous waste - and who are engaged in one of the following operations as specified by [1910.120\(a\)\(1\)\(i-v\)](#) and [1926.65\(a\)\(1\)\(i-v\)](#):

- **Clean-up operations** -- required by a governmental body, whether federal, state, local, or other involving hazardous substances -- that are conducted at uncontrolled hazardous waste sites;
- **Corrective actions involving clean-up operations** at sites covered by **RCRA** as amended (42 U.S.C. 6901 et seq.);
- **Voluntary clean-up operations** at sites recognized by federal, state, local, or other governmental body as uncontrolled hazardous waste sites;
- **Operations involving hazardous wastes** that are conducted at treatment, storage, and disposal facilities regulated by **Title 40 Code of Federal Regulations** Parts 264 and 265 pursuant to RCRA, or by agencies under agreement with U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to implement RCRA regulations; and
- **Emergency response operations** for releases of, or substantial threats of releases of, hazardous substances regardless of the location of the hazard.

PRICING SCHEDULE

The Government's payment for the items listed in the Pricing Schedule shall constitute full compensation to the Contractor for furnishing all profit, bonds, plant, labor, tools, parts, equipment, appliances, transportation, parking, materials, and incidentals needed to perform all operations required to complete the work in conformity with the drawings and specifications for **VA Project No. 436-14-106, Complete Asbestos Abatement, Remediation, and Restoration in Buildings 1, 18 and 20.** The Contractor shall include prices for all items listed in the Pricing Schedule and include all costs associated for work in the drawings and specifications, whether or not specifically listed in the Pricing Schedule. Contractors must bid on ALL bid items and the Government reserves the right to award ALL or SOME of the *alternate* bid items.

Work will be accomplished at the Miles City VA Community Based Outreach Clinic/Nursing Home, 210 S. Winchester, Miles City, MT, 59301. **The Construction Performance Period is 365 Days from receipt of Notice to Proceed.**

CLIN	Description	QTY	Unit of Issue	Unit Price	Total Cost
0001	Provide work as described by attached plans, specifications, and wage determinations for <u>VA Project No. 436-14-106, Complete Asbestos Abatement, Remediation, and Restoration in Buildings 1, 18 and 20</u> as described in the attached scope of work. Costs shall include but not limited to direct and indirect costs including profit, overhead, general and administrative, insurance, labor, bonds, and taxes necessary for 100% completion of <u>Phase 2-16 Abatement, Remediation, and Restoration.</u>	1	JB	\$ _____	\$ _____
0002	Mobilization for <u>VA Project No. 436-14-106, Complete Asbestos Abatement, Remediation, and Restoration in Buildings 1, 18 and 20</u> as described in the attached scope of work.	1	JB	\$ _____	\$ _____
0003	Demobilization for <u>VA Project No. 436-14-106, Complete Asbestos Abatement,</u>	1	JB	\$ _____	\$ _____

	<u>Remediation, and Restoration in Buildings 1, 18 and 20</u> as described in the attached scope of work.				
0004	DEDUCT: Provide work as described by attached plans, specifications, wage determinations for <u>VA Project No. 436-14-106, Complete Asbestos Abatement, Remediation, and Restoration in Buildings 1, 18 and 20</u> as described in the attached scope of work. Costs shall include but not limited to direct and indirect costs including profit, overhead, general and administrative, insurance, labor, bonds, taxes, necessary for 100% completion of Phase 2 Abatement, Remediation, and Restoration.	1	JB	\$ _____	\$ _____
0005	DEDUCT: Provide work as described by attached plans, specifications, wage determinations for <u>VA Project No. 436-14-106, Complete Asbestos Abatement, Remediation, and Restoration in Buildings 1, 18 and 20</u> as described in the attached scope of work. Costs shall include but not limited to direct and indirect costs including profit, overhead, general and administrative, insurance, labor, bonds, taxes, necessary for 100% completion of Phase 3 Abatement, Remediation, and Restoration.	1	JB	\$ _____	\$ _____
0006	DEDUCT: Provide work as described by attached plans, specifications, wage determinations for <u>VA Project No. 436-14-106, Complete Asbestos Abatement,</u>	1	JB	\$ _____	\$ _____

	<u>Remediation, and Restoration in Buildings 1, 18 and 20</u> as described in the attached scope of work. Costs shall include but not limited to direct and indirect costs including profit, overhead, general and administrative, insurance, labor, bonds, taxes, necessary for 100% completion of Phase 4 Abatement, Remediation, and Restoration.				
0007	DEDUCT: Provide work as described by attached plans, specifications, wage determinations for <u>VA Project No. 436-14-106, Complete Asbestos Abatement, Remediation, and Restoration in Buildings 1, 18 and 20</u> as described in the attached scope of work. Costs shall include but not limited to direct and indirect costs including profit, overhead, general and administrative, insurance, labor, bonds, taxes, necessary for 100% completion of Phase 5 Abatement, Remediation, and Restoration.	1	JB	\$ _____	\$ _____
0008	DEDUCT: Provide work as described by attached plans, specifications, wage determinations for <u>VA Project No. 436-14-106, Complete Asbestos Abatement, Remediation, and Restoration in Buildings 1, 18 and 20</u> as described in the attached scope of work. Costs shall include but not limited to direct and indirect costs including profit, overhead, general and administrative, insurance, labor, bonds, taxes, necessary for 100% completion of Phase 6 Abatement,	1	JB	\$ _____	\$ _____

	Remediation, and Restoration.				
0009	DEDUCT: Provide as work as described by attached plans, specifications, wage determinations for <u>VA Project No. 436-14-106, Complete Asbestos Abatement, Remediation, and Restoration in Buildings 1, 18 and 20</u> as described in the attached scope of work. Costs shall include but not limited to direct and indirect costs including profit, overhead, general and administrative, insurance, labor, bonds, taxes, necessary for 100% completion of Phase 7 Abatement, Remediation, and Restoration.	1	JB	\$ _____	\$ _____
00010	DEDUCT: Provide work as described by attached plans, specifications, wage determinations for <u>VA Project No. 436-14-106, Complete Asbestos Abatement, Remediation, and Restoration in Buildings 1, 18 and 20</u> as described in the attached scope of work. Costs shall include but not limited to direct and indirect costs including profit, overhead, general and administrative, insurance, labor, bonds, taxes, necessary for 100% completion of Phase 8 Abatement, Remediation, and Restoration.	1	JB	\$ _____	\$ _____
00011	DEDUCT: Provide work as described by attached plans, specifications, wage determinations for <u>VA Project No. 436-14-106, Complete Asbestos Abatement, Remediation, and Restoration in Buildings 1, 18 and 20</u> as described in the attached scope of	1	JB	\$ _____	\$ _____

	work. Costs shall include but not limited to direct and indirect costs including profit, overhead, general and administrative, insurance, labor, bonds, taxes, necessary for 100% completion of Phase 9 Abatement, Remediation, and Restoration.				
00012	DEDUCT: Provide work as described by attached plans, specifications, wage determinations for <u>VA Project No. 436-14-106, Complete Asbestos Abatement, Remediation, and Restoration in Buildings 1, 18 and 20</u> as described in the attached scope of work. Costs shall include but not limited to direct and indirect costs including profit, overhead, general and administrative, insurance, labor, bonds, taxes, necessary for 100% completion of Phase 10 Abatement, Remediation, and Restoration.	1	JB	\$ _____	\$ _____
00013	DEDUCT: Provide work as described by attached plans, specifications, wage determinations for <u>VA Project No. 436-14-106, Complete Asbestos Abatement, Remediation, and Restoration in Buildings 1, 18 and 20</u> as described in the attached scope of work. Costs shall include but not limited to direct and indirect costs including profit, overhead, general and administrative, insurance, labor, bonds, taxes, necessary for 100% completion of Phase 11 Abatement, Remediation, and Restoration.	1	JB	\$ _____	\$ _____
00014	DEDUCT: Provide work as described by attached plans,	1	JB	\$ _____	\$ _____

	specifications, wage determinations for <u>VA Project No. 436-14-106, Complete Asbestos Abatement, Remediation, and Restoration in Buildings 1, 18 and 20</u> as described in the attached scope of work. Costs shall include but not limited to direct and indirect costs including profit, overhead, general and administrative, insurance, labor, bonds, taxes, necessary for 100% completion of Phase 12 Abatement, Remediation, and Restoration.				
00015	DEDUCT: Provide work as described by attached plans, specifications, wage determinations for <u>VA Project No. 436-14-106, Complete Asbestos Abatement, Remediation, and Restoration in Buildings 1, 18 and 20</u> as described in the attached scope of work. Costs shall include but not limited to direct and indirect costs including profit, overhead, general and administrative, insurance, labor, bonds, taxes, necessary for 100% completion of Phase 13 Abatement, Remediation, and Restoration.	1	JB	\$ _____	\$ _____
00016	DEDUCT: Provide work as described by attached plans, specifications, wage determinations for <u>VA Project No. 436-14-106, Complete Asbestos Abatement, Remediation, and Restoration in Buildings 1, 18 and 20</u> as described in the attached scope of work. Costs shall include but not limited to direct and indirect costs including profit, overhead, general and administrative,	1	JB	\$ _____	\$ _____

	insurance, labor, bonds, taxes, necessary for 100% completion of Phase 14 Abatement, Remediation, and Restoration.				
00017	DEDUCT: Provide work as described by attached plans, specifications, wage determinations for <u>VA Project No. 436-14-106, Complete Asbestos Abatement, Remediation, and Restoration in Buildings 1, 18 and 20</u> as described in the attached scope of work. Costs shall include but not limited to direct and indirect costs including profit, overhead, general and administrative, insurance, labor, bonds, taxes, necessary for 100% completion of Phase 15 Abatement, Remediation, and Restoration.	1	JB	\$ _____	\$ _____
00018	DEDUCT: Provide work as described by attached plans, specifications, wage determinations for <u>VA Project No. 436-14-106, Complete Asbestos Abatement, Remediation, and Restoration in Buildings 1, 18 and 20</u> as described in the attached scope of work. Costs shall include but not limited to direct and indirect costs including profit, overhead, general and administrative, insurance, labor, bonds, taxes, necessary for 100% completion of Phase 16 Abatement, Remediation, and Restoration.	1	JB	\$ _____	\$ _____

Note 1: Offerors must provide prices for all items. Failure to provide prices for all line items shall render your proposal non-responsive.

CLIN – CONTRACT LINE ITEM

QTY- Quantity

Note 2: The validation checklist of the “**Bidder’s Plan Sheet Set Verification**” below shall be included in the price proposal. Offerors shall verify that they have received the correct plan by initialing the checklist. Failure to provide verification of received drawings shall render proposal non-responsive.

VAMC Miles City
Asbestos Abatement Phases 2-16
Bidder's Plan Sheet Set Verification

Received	Sheet #	Drawing #	Subset	Revision Date	Title
	00				COVER SHEET
	01	HA 101	1 of 3	12/12/13	FIRST FLOOR BUILDING 1, 8, 20 COMPOSITE ASBESTOS-CONTAINING MATERIALS AND PHASING PLAN
	02	HA 102	1 of 3	12/12/13	SECOND FLOOR COMPOSITE ASBESTOS-CONTAINING MATERIALS AND PHASING PLAN
	04	HA 104	1 of 3		FOURTH FLOOR COMPOSITE ASBESTOS-CONTAINING MATERIALS AND PHASING PLAN
	05	HA 201	1 of 3	12/12/13	TSI ASBESTOS REMOVAL PLAN – FIRST FLOOR
	06	HA 202	1 of 3	12/12/13	TSI ASBESTOS REMOVAL PLAN – SECOND FLOOR
	08	HA 301	1 of 3	12/12/13	MISCELLANEOUS ASBESTOS REMOVAL PLAN – FIRST FLOOR
	09	HA 302	1 of 3	12/12/13	MISCELLANEOUS ASBESTOS REMOVAL PLAN – SECOND FLOOR
	11	HA 304	1 of 3		MISCELLANEOUS ASBESTOS REMOVAL PLAN – FOURTH FLOOR
	13	HA 402	2 of 3		PHASE 2 PLAN
	14	HA 403	2 of 3	12/12/13	PHASE 3 PLAN
	15	HA 404	2 of 3	2/18/14	PHASE 4 PLAN
	16	HA 405	2 of 3	2/18/14	PHASE 5 PLAN
	17	HA 406	2 of 3	12/12/13	PHASE 6 PLAN
	18	HA 407	2 of 3	2/18/14	PHASE 7 PLAN
	19	HA 408	2 of 3	12/12/13	PHASE 8 PLAN
	20	HA 409	2 of 3	12/12/13	PHASE 9 PLAN
	21	HA 410	3 of 3	2/18/14	PHASE 10 PLAN
	22	HA 411	3 of 3	12/12/13	PHASE 11 PLAN
	23	HA 412	3 of 3	2/18/14	PHASE 12 PLAN
	24	HA 413	3 of 3	12/12/13	PHASE 13 PLAN
	25	HA 414	3 of 3	12/12/13	PHASE 14 PLAN
	26	HA 415	3 of 3	12/12/13	PHASE 15 PLAN
	27	HA 416	3 of 3	12/12/13	PHASE 16 PLAN

Note: If “Revision Date” field is blank the sheet is unrevised from original.

INSTRUCTIONS, CONDITIONS, AND OTHER STATEMENTS TO BIDDERS/OFFERORS

THE OFFER

The submission of the documentation specified below will constitute the Offeror's acceptance of the terms and conditions of the RFP, including the Plans & Specifications for the construction of this project. These instructions prescribe the format for the proposal, and describe the approach for the development and presentation of proposal data. These instructions are designed to ensure the submission of necessary information to provide for the understanding and comprehensive evaluation of proposals.

AWARD BASED ON INITIAL OFFERS.

Pursuant to clause 52.215-1 (included by reference), the Government intends to evaluate proposals and award a contract without discussions with offerors (except clarifications as described in FAR 15.306(a)). Therefore, the offeror's initial proposal should contain the offeror's best terms from a cost or price, and technical qualifications standpoint. The VA reserves the right to conduct discussions if the Contracting Officer later determines such discussions to be necessary.

Proposals received in response to this solicitation will be evaluated in accordance with procedures outlined in Federal Acquisition Regulations (FAR) Part 15.101-2 for the Lowest Price Technically Acceptable (LPTA) Offer.

The following significant Evaluation Factors shall be used as the basis for determining Technical Acceptability:

Technical Experience, Certifications, and Past Performance.

SOLICITATION SUBMITTAL PROCESS

The technical experience, certifications and past performance portions of the proposal shall be in Volume I and the Price Proposal shall be in a Volume II in one combined electronic email. The Price Proposal shall include the SF 1442, Solicitation Offer and Award, SF 1442 Continuation Pages, Cost Breakdown, Pricing Schedule, and Initialed Validation Checklist of Bidder's Plan Sheet Set Verification.

The offeror's technical response shall clearly address each evaluation factor in this solicitation. Failure to submit in the format required and clearly address Technical Experience, Certifications, and Past Performance in Volume I and a Price Proposal in Volume II shall result in rejection of the offer.

Proposals shall be received by (Mountain Time) on March 10, 2014 at 11am. There will be no public opening of the proposals. Submit offers to: Tracy.Jackson2@va.gov.

E-mail Submission Procedures: For simplicity in this guidance, all submissions in response to a solicitation will be referred to as offers.

- a. Subject Line:** Include the solicitation number, name of company, and closing date of solicitation.
- b. Size:** Maximum size of the e-mail message shall not exceed four (4) megabytes. **Only one** email is permitted.
- c. Page Limit:** There is a limit of 40 page limit for single package submission for Volume I and a 20 page limit for single package submission for Volume II.
- d.** Each electronic offer must also include a signed and scanned SF-1442, Solicitation, Offer, and Award (Construction, Alteration, or Repair).

The offer will be date and time stamped by the Microsoft Email system and will be the official record of receipt for the submission.

Security Issues, Late Bids, Unreadable Offers

1. Late submission of offers are outlined at FAR Parts 52.212-1(f), 52.214-7, and 52.215-1(c)(3). Particular attention is warranted to the portion of the provision that relates to the timing of submission.
 2. Please see FAR 15.207(c) for a description of the steps the Government shall take with regard to unreadable offers.
 3. To avoid rejection of an offer, vendors must make every effort to ensure their electronic submission is **virus-free**. Submissions or portions thereof submitted and which the automatic system detects the presence of a virus or which are otherwise unreadable will be treated as “unreadable” pursuant to FAR Parts 14.406 and FAR 15.207(c).
 4. The virus scanning software used by our e-mail systems cannot always **distinguish a macro from a virus**. Therefore, sending a macro embedded in an e-mail message or an e-mail attachment may cause the e-mail offer to be quarantined. You may send both the spreadsheet and the spreadsheet saved in PDF format to ensure that your proposal is readable.
- Password protecting your offer is not permitted. The Contracting Officer will file the offer electronically which will allow access only by designated individuals.

DOCUMENTATION OF TECHNICAL ACCEPTABILITY

This acquisition will be a competitive acquisition utilizing FAR Part 15 source selection employing lowest price technically acceptable (LPTA) source selection procedures. It is the intent of the Government to award without discussions; however the Government will reserve the right to have discussions if such are needed.

Award will be made on an LPTA basis considering the following factors:

- Factor 1 – Technical Experience
- Factor 2 – Certifications
- Factor 3 – Past Performance

The LPTA solicitation, which is best value resulting from selection of the technically acceptable proposal with the lowest fair and reasonable price.

Note 1: *Factors 1 -3 must all be acceptable to be considered for an award.* The offeror that is rated with the lowest “fair and reasonable price” shall be selected if Technical Experience, Certifications, and Past Performance factors are rated “technically acceptable”.

Note 2: The *distinction* between technical experience and past performance is that *technical experience* pertains to the *volume of work* completed by a contractor that are comparable to the types of work described under the definition of *recent, relevant projects, in terms of size, scope, and complexity*. *Past performance* pertains to *both the relevance of recent efforts and how well a contractor has performed* on the contracts.

Factor -1 Technical Experience:

(a) Submit a minimum of one (1) and a maximum of three (3) *relevant* asbestos abatement and/or remediation projects for the offeror that best demonstrates your experience on relevant asbestos abatement and/or remediation projects that are similar in size, scope, and complexity to the RFP.*

***Note: A Relevant Project, as noted in 1 (a) is defined as “a relevant asbestos abatement and/or remediation of a building that is occupied with a minimum contract value of \$500,000 or more. The contract must be completed including all options within the past five years from the date of issuance of this RFP; or it must be an ongoing project more than 80% complete including all options”.**

(b) Submit a minimum of one (1) and a maximum of three (3) relevant construction projects for the offeror that best demonstrates experience on relevant projects that are similar in size, scope, and complexity to the attached Scope of Work (SOW). **

****Note: A Relevant Project, as noted in 1 (b)** is defined as “a construction, alteration or repair of a medical facility that is occupied with a *minimum contract value* of \$1,000,000 or more. The contract must be completed including all options within the *past five years* from the *date of issuance of this Request for Proposal (RFP)*; or it must be an ongoing project more than 80% complete including all options”.

(c) Basis of Evaluation:

In order to be considered “acceptable” for this factor, the offeror must demonstrate 52.219-28 relevant experience in asbestos abatement and/or remediation of a building that is occupied with a *minimum contract amount* of \$500,000 or more. The contract must be completed including all options within the *past five years from the date of issuance of this RFP*; or it must be an ongoing project more than 80% complete including all options.

Additionally, in order to be considered “acceptable” for this factor, the offeror must demonstrate relevant experience in construction, alteration or repair of a medical facility that is occupied with a *minimum contract value* of \$1,000,000 or more. The contract must be completed including all options within the *past five years* from the *date of issuance of this Request for Proposal (RFP)*; or it must be an ongoing project more than 80% complete including all options.

Factor 2- Required Certifications:

Prime contractor **OR** sub-contractor shall submit the following: (a) an OSHA “competent person” certification for the on-site supervisor, *** (b) HAZWOPER certification for the on-site supervisor, **** AND

(c) **The asbestos abatement/remediation contractor** shall be **accredited** for the on-site supervisor, as stated in the Administrative Rule of Montana 17.74.356, an Asbestos Project Contractor/Supervisor certified by Montana DEQ Asbestos Control. ***** **The asbestos abatement/remediation contractor** shall submit *accreditation evidence* for their on-site supervisor. See DEQMt.Gov website for additional information.

<http://deq.mt.gov/asbestos/acpcontractorinfo.mcp.x>.

*****Note, as stated in (2a): OSHA COMPETENT PERSON** is defined in 29 CFR 1926.1101 as: 29 CFR 1926.1101 OSHA defines “competent person” as:

Competent person means, in addition to the definition in 29 CFR 1926.32 (f), one who is capable of identifying existing asbestos hazards in the workplace and selecting the appropriate control strategy for asbestos exposure, who has the authority to take prompt corrective measures to eliminate them, as specified in 29 CFR 1926.32(f): in addition, for Class I and Class II work who is specially trained in a training course which meets the criteria of EPA's Model Accreditation Plan (40 CFR part 763) for supervisor, or its equivalent and, for Class III and Class IV work, who is trained in a manner consistent with EPA requirements for training of local education agency maintenance and custodial staff as set forth at 40 CFR 763.92 (a)(2).

OSHA competent person certificate shall be fulfilled by EITHER a Current OSHA 40 hour certification for the OSHA Competent Person OR the EPA Asbestos Contractor/Supervisor 40 hour course certification.

******Note, HAZWOPER in (2b)** has been defined in the Scope of Work.

***** **Note, as stated in (2c):** Pursuant to the Montana Administrative Rules of Montana, **ACCREDITATION** requirements shall be defined as follows:

17.74.362 ACCREDITATION REQUIREMENTS FOR ASBESTOS-RELATED OCCUPATIONS

(1) Pursuant to 75-2-511, MCA, a person may not:

- (a) Engage in an asbestos-related occupation unless accredited in that occupation by the department; or
- (b) Contract with or employ in an asbestos-related occupation a person not accredited in that occupation by the department.

Note 3: For **RECIPROCITY** to be granted by Montana Department of Environmental Quality (MTDEQ), the following requirements shall be followed:

If the offeror has a currently certified On-Site Supervisor and is in the process of applying for the MT DEQ certification, they have three weeks from notice of award to get the MT certification or the award shall be cancelled.

(d) Basis of Evaluation:

In order to be considered acceptable for this factor, the offeror shall submit OSHA “competent person” certification for the on-site supervisor, HAZWOPER certification for the on-site supervisor, AND accreditation for the on-site supervisor, as stated in the Administrative Rule of Montana 17.74.356.

Factor 3 – Past Performance:

(a) Solicitation Submittal Requirements: The Government shall evaluate *recent* AND *relevant* past performance based upon sources available to the contracting officer that may include Past Performance Information Retrieval System (PPIRS). If offerors do not have past performance in PPIRS, then offerors are required to submit past performance information up to 4 pages of past performance information (2 double sided page). *****

(b) The Government reserves the right to contact references for verification or additional information. The Government’s inability to contact any of the Offeror’s references or the references unwillingness to provide the information requested may affect the Government’s evaluation of this factor. Performance award or additional information submitted will not be considered. *****

*******Note, Relevant and Recent Past Performance as mentioned in 3 (a):** is defined as “a relevant asbestos abatement and/or remediation of a building that is occupied with a *minimum contract value* of \$500,000 or more. The contract must be completed including all options within the *past five years from the date of issuance of this RFP*; or it must be an ongoing project more than 80% complete including all options”.

*******Note, Relevant and Recent Past Performance as mentioned in 3(b):** is defined as “a construction, alteration or repair of a medical facility that is occupied with a *minimum contract value* of \$1,000,000 or more. The contract must be completed including all options within the *past five years* from the *date of issuance of this Request for Proposal (RFP)*; or it must be an ongoing project more than 80% complete including all options”.

(c) Basis of Evaluation:

The Government will evaluate the degree to which **relevant** past performance evaluations and all other past performance information reviewed by the Government (e.g., PPIRS: performance recognition documents and information obtained from any other source) reflect a trend of a *minimum* of “*satisfactory*” performance considering:

- A pattern of successful completion of task;
- A pattern of deliverables that are timely and of good quality;
- A pattern of cooperativeness and teamwork with the Government at all levels (task managers, contracting officers, auditors, etc);
- Recency of task performed that are identical to, similar to, or related to the task at hand, and;
- A respect for stewardship of Government funds;

Note 4: In the case of an offeror without a record of relevant past performance or for whom information on past performance is not available, the offeror may not be evaluated favorably or unfavorably of past performance, so a neutral rating shall be received. In the event that an offeror with neutral past performance has technical acceptance for Factors 1 and 2 (technical experience and certifications) with the lowest price, the VA shall refer the matter to the Small Business Administration for a Certificate of Competency determination in accordance with procedures contained in Subpart 19.6 and 15 U.S.C 637 (b) (7)).

Note 5: In order to be considered “acceptable” for this factor the offeror must have received “*satisfactory or better*” evaluations for recent and relevant projects and based on the offeror’s performance record. An offer will be considered unacceptable for this factor, if the offeror’s performance record is less than satisfactory.

FACTOR 4- Price:

(a) Solicitation Submittal Requirements:

- Standard Form 1442, Solicitation Offer and Award (Construction, Alteration and Award)
- All pages of the SF1442 Continuation Sheet
- Cost breakdown shall furnish all profit, bonds, plant, labor, tools, parts, equipment, appliances, transportation, parking, materials, and incidentals needed to perform all operations required to complete the work in conformity with the drawings and specifications for **VA Project No. 436-14-106, Complete Asbestos Abatement, Remediation, and Restoration in Buildings 1, 18 and 20.**

-Validation checklist of “**Bidder’s Plan Sheet Set Verification**” shall be included in the price proposal. Offerors shall verify that they have received the correct plan by initialing the checklist. Failure to provide verification of reviewed drawings shall render proposal non-responsive.

(b) Basis of Evaluation:

The Government shall evaluate price based on the total price. Total price consists of the basic requirements. Analysis will be performed by one or more of the following techniques to ensure a fair and reasonable price:

- Comparison of proposed prices received in response to the RFP
- Comparison of proposed prices with the IGCE.
- Comparison of proposed prices with available historical information.
- Comparison of market survey results.

(c) The offeror that is rated with the lowest “fair and reasonable price” shall be selected if Technical Experience, Certifications, and Past Performance factors are rated “technically acceptable”.

INFORMATION REGARDING BIDDING MATERIAL, BID GUARANTEE AND BONDS

(a) Bidding materials consisting of drawings, specifications and contract forms may be obtained by qualified General (Prime) Contractors interested in submitting bids direct to the Department of Veterans Affairs. A maximum of 0 sets may be issued when requested. Up to 0 sets of drawings and specifications will be furnished upon request to subcontractors for their use in preparing subbids for General (Prime) Contractors. Suppliers and subcontractors listed above shall show in their requests the work or equipment for which they intend to prepare subbids.

(b) One set of drawings and specifications may be obtained by Builders Exchanges, Chambers of Commerce, Quantity Surveyors, trade and microfilming organizations.

(c) Bidding materials may be obtained only upon written application to the issuing office. Bidders should allow 5 working days after receipt of their request by the issuing office for reproduction, in addition to mail delivery time when requesting bidding material.

(d) Subcontractors, material firms and others interested in preparing subbids may, upon application to the issuing office, obtain a list of organizations, such as Builders Exchanges, Chambers of Commerce, Contractors and others, who have received bidding materials.

(e) While no deposit will be necessary, return of the bidding material, postage prepaid, to the issuing office within 10 days after date of opening bids will be required. In case no bid is to be submitted, the return of the bidding material, as soon as this fact has been determined and before the date of opening bids, is requested. If you decide not to bid on this project, please advise the issuing office of your reasons (the contracting officer should modify accordingly if a deposit is required).

(f) A bid guarantee is required in an amount not less than 20 percent of the bid price but shall not exceed \$3,000,000. Failure to furnish the required bid guarantee in the proper form and amount, by the time set for opening of bids, will require rejection of the bid in all cases except those listed in FAR 28.101-4, and may be cause for rejection even then.

(g) If the contract will exceed \$100,000 (see FAR 28.102-1 for lesser amount), the bidder to whom award is made will be required to furnish two bonds, a Payment Bond, SF 25A, and a Performance Bond, SF 25, each in the penal sum as noted in the General Conditions of the Specification. Copies of SFs 25 and 25A may be obtained upon application to the issuing office.

(h) There shall be no exclusionary clauses added to this contract for any asbestos related work that would void the required General Liability Insurance.

DESCRIPTION OF WORK: Asbestos Abatement, Remediation, and Restoration in Buildings 1, 8, and 20 of the VA Montana Miles City Campus.

Cost Range for Work: Between \$2,000,000 and \$5,000,000.

IL 001AL-11-15 ACCESS RECORDS LANGUAGE : This solicitation includes (VAAR) 852.219-10. The contractor is advised in performing contract administration functions, the CO may use the services of a support contractor(s) retained by VA to assist in assessing the contractor's compliance with the limitations on subcontracting or percentage of work performance requirements specified in the clause. To that end, the support contractor(s) may require access to contractor's offices where the contractor's business records or other proprietary data are retained and to review such business records regarding the contractor's compliance with this requirement. All support contractors conducting this review on behalf of VA will be required to sign an "Information Protection and Non-Disclosure and Disclosure of Conflicts of Interest Agreement" to ensure the contractor's business records or other proprietary data reviewed or obtained in the course of assisting the CO in assessing the contractor for compliance are protected to ensure information or data is not improperly disclosed or other impropriety occurs. Furthermore, if VA determines any services the support contractor(s) will perform in assessing compliance are advisory and assistance services as defined in FAR 2.101, Definitions, the support contractor(s) must also enter into an agreement with the contractor to protect proprietary information as required by FAR 9.505-4, Obtaining access to proprietary information, paragraph (b). The contractor is required to cooperate fully and make available any records as may be required to enable the CO to assess the contractor's compliance with the limitations on subcontracting or percentage of work performance requirement.

REPRESENTATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS

52.204-8 -- Annual Representations and Certifications.

As prescribed in [4.1202](#), insert the following provision:

Annual Representations and Certifications (Jan 2014)

(a)

(1) The North American Industry classification System (NAICS) code for this acquisition is 562910, Remediation Services.

(2) The small business size standard is \$19 Million.

(3) The small business size standard for a concern which submits an offer in its own name, other than on a construction or service contract, but which proposes to furnish a product which it did not itself manufacture, is 500 employees.

(b)

(1) If the provision at 52.204-7, System for Award Management, is included in this solicitation, paragraph (d) of this provision applies.

(2) If the provision at 52.204-7 is not included in this solicitation, and the offeror is currently registered in the System for Award Management (SAM), and has completed the Representations and Certifications section of SAM electronically, the offeror may choose to use paragraph (d) of this provision instead of completing the corresponding individual representations and certification in the solicitation. The offeror shall indicate which option applies by checking one of the following boxes:

☐ (i) Paragraph (d) applies.

☐ (ii) Paragraph (d) does not apply and the offeror has completed the individual representations and certifications in the solicitation.

(c)

(1) The following representations or certifications in SAM are applicable to this solicitation as indicated:

(i) 52.203-2, Certificate of Independent Price Determination. This provision applies to solicitations when a firm-fixed-price contract or fixed-price contract with economic price adjustment is contemplated, unless—

(A) The acquisition is to be made under the simplified acquisition procedures in Part 13;

(B) The solicitation is a request for technical proposals under two-step sealed bidding procedures; or

(C) The solicitation is for utility services for which rates are set by law or regulation.

(ii) 52.203-11, Certification and Disclosure Regarding Payments to Influence Certain Federal Transactions. This provision applies to solicitations expected to exceed \$150,000.

(iii) 52.204-3, Taxpayer Identification. This provision applies to solicitations that do not include the provision at 52.204-7, System for Award Management.

(iv) 52.204-5, Women-Owned Business (Other Than Small Business). This provision applies to solicitations that—

(A) Are not set aside for small business concerns;

(B) Exceed the simplified acquisition threshold; and

(C) Are for contracts that will be performed in the United States or its outlying areas.

(v) 52.209-2, Prohibition on Contracting with Inverted Domestic Corporations—Representation. This provision applies to solicitations using funds appropriated in fiscal years 2008, 2009, 2010, or 2012.

(vi) 52.209-5; Certification Regarding Responsibility Matters. This provision applies to solicitations where the contract value is expected to exceed the simplified acquisition threshold.

(vii) 52.214-14, Place of Performance--Sealed Bidding. This provision applies to invitations for bids except those in which the place of performance is specified by the Government.

(viii) 52.215-6, Place of Performance. This provision applies to solicitations unless the place of performance is specified by the Government.

(ix) 52.219-1, Small Business Program Representations (Basic & Alternate I). This provision applies to solicitations when the contract will be performed in the United States or its outlying areas.

(A) The basic provision applies when the solicitations are issued by other than DoD, NASA, and the Coast Guard.

(B) The provision with its Alternate I applies to solicitations issued by DoD, NASA, or the Coast Guard.

(x) 52.219-2, Equal Low Bids. This provision applies to solicitations when contracting by sealed bidding and the contract will be performed in the United States or its outlying areas.

(xi) 52.222-22, Previous Contracts and Compliance Reports. This provision applies to solicitations that include the clause at 52.222-26, Equal Opportunity.

(xii) 52.222-25, Affirmative Action Compliance. This provision applies to solicitations, other than those for construction, when the solicitation includes the clause at 52.222-26, Equal Opportunity.

(xiii) 52.222-38, Compliance with Veterans' Employment Reporting Requirements. This provision applies to solicitations when it is anticipated the contract award will exceed the simplified acquisition threshold and the contract is not for acquisition of commercial items.

(xiv) 52.223-1, Biobased Product Certification. This provision applies to solicitations that require the delivery or specify the use of USDA-designated items; or include the clause at 52.223-2, Affirmative Procurement of Biobased Products Under Service and Construction Contracts.

(xv) 52.223-4, Recovered Material Certification. This provision applies to solicitations that are for, or specify the use of, EPA- designated items.

(xvi) 52.225-2, Buy American Act Certificate. This provision applies to solicitations containing the clause at 52.225-1.

(xvii) 52.225-4, Buy American Act--Free Trade Agreements--Israeli Trade Act Certificate. (Basic, Alternates I, II, and III.) This provision applies to solicitations containing the clause at 52.225- 3.

(A) If the acquisition value is less than \$25,000, the basic provision applies.

(B) If the acquisition value is \$25,000 or more but is less than \$50,000, the provision with its Alternate I applies.

(C) If the acquisition value is \$50,000 or more but is less than \$79,507, the provision with its Alternate II applies.

(D) If the acquisition value is \$79,507 or more but is less than \$100,000, the provision with its Alternate III applies.

(xviii) 52.225-6, Trade Agreements Certificate. This provision applies to solicitations containing the clause at 52.225-5.

(xix) 52.225-20, Prohibition on Conducting Restricted Business Operations in Sudan-- Certification. This provision applies to all solicitations.

(xx) 52.225-25, Prohibition on Contracting with Entities Engaging in Certain Activities or Transactions Relating to Iran—Representation and Certification. This provision applies to all solicitations.

(xxi) 52.226-2, Historically Black College or University and Minority Institution Representation. This provision applies to—

(A) Solicitations for research, studies, supplies, or services of the type normally acquired from higher educational institutions; and

(B) For DoD, NASA, and Coast Guard acquisitions, solicitations that contain the clause at 52.219-23, Notice of Price Evaluation Adjustment for Small Disadvantaged Business Concerns.

(2) The following certifications are applicable as indicated by the Contracting Officer:

[Contracting Officer check as appropriate.]

___ (i) 52.219-22, Small Disadvantaged Business Status.

___ (A) Basic.

___ (B) Alternate I.

___ (ii) 52.222-18, Certification Regarding Knowledge of Child Labor for Listed End Products.

___ (iii) 52.222-48, Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Act to Contracts for Maintenance, Calibration, or Repair of Certain Equipment Certification.

___ (iv) 52.222-52 Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Act to Contracts for Certain Services--Certification.

___ (v) 52.223-9, with its Alternate I, Estimate of Percentage of Recovered Material Content for EPA-Designated Products (Alternate I only).

___ (vi) 52.227-6, Royalty Information.

___ (A) Basic.

___ (B) Alternate I.

___ (vii) 52.227-15, Representation of Limited Rights Data and Restricted Computer Software.

(d) The offeror has completed the annual representations and certifications electronically via the SAM Web site accessed through <https://www.acquisition.gov>. After reviewing the SAM database information, the offeror verifies by submission of the offer that the representations and certifications currently posted electronically that apply to this solicitation as indicated in paragraph (c) of this provision have been entered or updated within the last 12 months, are current, accurate, complete, and applicable to this solicitation (including the business size standard applicable to the NAICS code referenced for this solicitation), as of the date of this offer and are incorporated in this offer by reference (see FAR 4.1201); except for the changes identified below *[offeror to insert changes, identifying change by clause number, title, date]*. These amended representation(s) and/or certification(s) are also incorporated in this offer and are current, accurate, and complete as of the date of this offer.

FAR Clause	Title	Date	Change

Any changes provided by the offeror are applicable to this solicitation only, and do not result in an update to the representations and certifications posted on SAM.

(End of Provision)

3.1 52.204-13 SYSTEM FOR AWARD MANAGEMENT MAINTENANCE (JUL 2013)

(a) *Definitions.* As used in this clause—

Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number means the 9-digit number assigned by Dun and Bradstreet, Inc. (D&B) to identify unique business entities, which is used as the identification number for Federal Contractors.

Data Universal Numbering System+4 (DUNS+4) number means the DUNS number assigned by D&B plus a 4-character suffix that may be assigned by a business concern. (D&B has no affiliation with this 4-character suffix.) This 4-character suffix may be assigned at the discretion of the business concern to establish additional SAM records for identifying alternative Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) accounts (see the FAR at subpart 32.11) for the same concern.

Registered in the System for Award Management (SAM) database means that—

(1) The Contractor has entered all mandatory information, including the DUNS number or the DUNS+4 number, the Contractor and Government Entity (CAGE) code, as well as data required by the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act of 2006 (see subpart 4.14), into the SAM database;

(2) The Contractor has completed the Core, Assertions, Representations and Certifications, and Points of Contact sections of the registration in the SAM database;

(3) The Government has validated all mandatory data fields, to include validation of the Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN) with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS). The Contractor will be required to provide consent for TIN validation to the Government as a part of the SAM registration process; and

(4) The Government has marked the record “Active”.

System for Award Management (SAM) means the primary Government repository for prospective Federal awardee and Federal awardee information and the centralized Government system for certain contracting, grants, and other assistance-related processes. It includes—

- (1) Data collected from prospective Federal awardees required for the conduct of business with the Government;
 - (2) Prospective contractor-submitted annual representations and certifications in accordance with FAR subpart 4.12; and
 - (3) Identification of those parties excluded from receiving Federal contracts, certain subcontracts, and certain types of Federal financial and non-financial assistance and benefits.
- (b) The Contractor is responsible for the accuracy and completeness of the data within the SAM database, and for any liability resulting from the Government's reliance on inaccurate or incomplete data. To remain registered in the SAM database after the initial registration, the Contractor is required to review and update on an annual basis, from the date of initial registration or subsequent updates, its information in the SAM database to ensure it is current, accurate and complete. Updating information in the SAM does not alter the terms and conditions of this contract and is not a substitute for a properly executed contractual document.
- (c)(1)(i) If a Contractor has legally changed its business name, *doing business as* name, or division name (whichever is shown on the contract), or has transferred the assets used in performing the contract, but has not completed the necessary requirements regarding novation and change-of-name agreements in subpart 42.12, the Contractor shall provide the responsible Contracting Officer a minimum of one business day's written notification of its intention to—
- (A) Change the name in the SAM database;
 - (B) Comply with the requirements of subpart 42.12 of the FAR; and
 - (C) Agree in writing to the timeline and procedures specified by the responsible Contracting Officer. The Contractor shall provide with the notification sufficient documentation to support the legally changed name.
- (ii) If the Contractor fails to comply with the requirements of paragraph (c)(1)(i) of this clause, or fails to perform the agreement at paragraph (c)(1)(i)(C) of this clause, and, in the absence of a properly executed novation or change-of-name agreement, the SAM information that shows the Contractor to be other than the Contractor indicated in the contract will be considered to be incorrect information within the meaning of the "Suspension of Payment" paragraph of the electronic funds transfer (EFT) clause of this contract.
- (2) The Contractor shall not change the name or address for EFT payments or manual payments, as appropriate, in the SAM record to reflect an assignee for the purpose of assignment of claims (see FAR subpart 32.8, Assignment of Claims). Assignees shall be separately registered in the SAM. Information provided to the Contractor's SAM record that indicates payments, including those made by EFT, to an ultimate recipient other than that Contractor will be considered to be incorrect information within the meaning of the "Suspension of Payment" paragraph of the EFT clause of this contract.
- (3) The Contractor shall ensure that the DUNS number is maintained with Dun & Bradstreet throughout the life of the contract. The Contractor shall communicate any change to the DUNS number to the Contracting Officer within 30 days after the change, so an appropriate modification can be issued to update the data on the contract. A change in the DUNS number does not necessarily require a novation be accomplished. Dun & Bradstreet may be contacted—
- (i) Via the internet at <http://fedgov.dnb.com/webform> or if the Contractor does not have internet access, it may call Dun and Bradstreet at 1-866-705-5711 if located within the United States; or
 - (ii) If located outside the United States, by contacting the local Dun and Bradstreet office.
- (d) Contractors may obtain additional information on registration and annual confirmation requirements at <https://www.acquisition.gov>.

(End of Clause)

3.2 52.204-14 SERVICE CONTRACT REPORTING REQUIREMENTS (JAN 2014)

(a) Definition.

First-tier subcontract means a subcontract awarded directly by the Contractor for the purpose of acquiring supplies or services (including construction) for performance of a prime contract. It does not include the Contractor's supplier agreements with vendors, such as long-term arrangements for materials or supplies that benefit multiple contracts and/or the costs of which are normally applied to a Contractor's general and administrative expenses or indirect costs.

(b) The Contractor shall report, in accordance with paragraphs (c) and (d) of this clause, annually by October 31, for services performed under this contract during the preceding Government fiscal year (October 1-September 30).

(c) The Contractor shall report the following information:

(1) Contract number and, as applicable, order number.

(2) The total dollar amount invoiced for services performed during the previous Government fiscal year under the contract.

(3) The number of Contractor direct labor hours expended on the services performed during the previous Government fiscal year.

(4) Data reported by subcontractors under paragraph (f) of this clause.

(d) The information required in paragraph (c) of this clause shall be submitted via the internet at www.sam.gov. (See SAM User Guide). If the Contractor fails to submit the report in a timely manner, the contracting officer will exercise appropriate contractual remedies. In addition, the Contracting Officer will make the Contractor's failure to comply with the reporting requirements a part of the Contractor's performance information under FAR subpart 42.15.

(e) Agencies will review Contractor reported information for reasonableness and consistency with available contract information. In the event the agency believes that revisions to the Contractor reported information are warranted, the agency will notify the Contractor no later than November 15. By November 30, the Contractor shall revise the report, or document its rationale for the agency.

(f)(1) The Contractor shall require each first-tier subcontractor providing services under this contract, with subcontract(s) each valued at or above the thresholds set forth in 4.1703(a)(2), to provide the following detailed information to the Contractor in sufficient time to submit the report:

(i) Subcontract number (including subcontractor name and DUNS number); and

(ii) The number of first-tier subcontractor direct-labor hours expended on the services performed during the previous Government fiscal year.

(2) The Contractor shall advise the subcontractor that the information will be made available to the public as required by section 743 of Division C of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2010.

(End of Clause)

3.3 52.209-5 REPRESENTATION BY CORPORATIONS REGARDING AN UNPAID TAX LIABILITY OR A FELONY CONVICTION UNDER ANY FEDERAL LAW (DEVIATION)(MAR 2012)

(a) In accordance with Division H, sections 8124 and 8125 of P.L. 112-74 and sections 738 and 739 of P.L. 112-55 none of the funds made available by either Act may be used to enter into a contract with any corporation that—

(1) Has an unpaid federal tax liability, unless the agency has considered suspension or debarment of the corporation and the Suspension and Debarment Official has made a determination that this action is not necessary to protect the interests of the Government.

(2) Has a felony criminal violation under any Federal or State law within the preceding 24 months, unless the agency has considered suspension or debarment of the corporation and Suspension and Debarment Official has made a determination that this action is not necessary to protect the interests of the Government.

(b) The Offeror represents that—

(1) The offeror does ☐ does not ☐ have any unpaid Federal tax liability that has been assessed and that is not being paid in a timely manner pursuant to an agreement with the authority responsible for collecting the tax liability.

(2) The offeror, its officers or agents acting on its behalf have ☐ have not ☐ been convicted of a felony criminal violation under a Federal or State law within the preceding 24 months.

(End of Provision)

3.4 52.209-7 INFORMATION REGARDING RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS (JUL 2013)

(a) *Definitions.* As used in this provision—

"Administrative proceeding" means a non-judicial process that is adjudicatory in nature in order to make a determination of fault or liability (e.g., Securities and Exchange Commission Administrative Proceedings, Civilian Board of Contract Appeals Proceedings, and Armed Services Board of Contract Appeals Proceedings). This includes administrative proceedings at the Federal and State level but only in connection with performance of a Federal contract or grant. It does not include agency actions such as contract audits, site visits, corrective plans, or inspection of deliverables.

"Federal contracts and grants with total value greater than \$10,000,000" means—

(1) The total value of all current, active contracts and grants, including all priced options; and

(2) The total value of all current, active orders including all priced options under indefinite-delivery, indefinite-quantity, 8(a), or requirements contracts (including task and delivery and multiple-award Schedules).

"Principal" means an officer, director, owner, partner, or a person having primary management or supervisory responsibilities within a business entity (e.g., general manager; plant manager; head of a division or business segment; and similar positions).

(b) The offeror ☐ has ☐ does not have current active Federal contracts and grants with total value greater than \$10,000,000.

(c) If the offeror checked "has" in paragraph (b) of this provision, the offeror represents, by submission of this offer, that the information it has entered in the Federal Awardee Performance and Integrity Information System (FAPIS) is current, accurate, and complete as of the date of submission of this offer with regard to the following information:

(1) Whether the offeror, and/or any of its principals, has or has not, within the last five years, in connection with the award to or performance by the offeror of a Federal contract or grant, been the subject of a proceeding, at the Federal or State level that resulted in any of the following dispositions:

(i) In a criminal proceeding, a conviction.

(ii) In a civil proceeding, a finding of fault and liability that results in the payment of a monetary fine, penalty, reimbursement, restitution, or damages of \$5,000 or more.

(iii) In an administrative proceeding, a finding of fault and liability that results in—

(A) The payment of a monetary fine or penalty of \$5,000 or more; or

(B) The payment of a reimbursement, restitution, or damages in excess of \$100,000.

(iv) In a criminal, civil, or administrative proceeding, a disposition of the matter by consent or compromise with an acknowledgment of fault by the Contractor if the proceeding could have led to any of the outcomes specified in paragraphs (c)(1)(i), (c)(1)(ii), or (c)(1)(iii) of this provision.

(2) If the offeror has been involved in the last five years in any of the occurrences listed in (c)(1) of this provision, whether the offeror has provided the requested information with regard to each occurrence.

(d) The offeror shall post the information in paragraphs (c)(1)(i) through (c)(1)(iv) of this provision in FAPIS as required through maintaining an active registration in the System for Award Management database via <https://www.acquisition.gov> (see 52.204-7).

(End of Provision)

3.5 52.216-1 TYPE OF CONTRACT (APR 1984)

The Government contemplates award of a Firm-Fixed-Price contract resulting from this solicitation.

(End of Provision)

3.6 52.222-5 DAVIS-BACON ACT—SECONDARY SITE OF THE WORK (JUL 2005)

(a)(1) The offeror shall notify the Government if the offeror intends to perform work at any secondary site of the work, as defined in paragraph (a)(1)(ii) of the FAR clause at 52.222-6, Davis-Bacon Act, of this solicitation.

(2) If the offeror is unsure if a planned work site satisfies the criteria for a secondary site of the work, the offeror shall request a determination from the Contracting Officer.

(b)(1) If the wage determination provided by the Government for work at the primary site of the work is not applicable to the secondary site of the work, the offeror shall request a wage determination from the Contracting Officer.

(2) The due date for receipt of offers will not be extended as a result of an offeror's request for a wage determination for a secondary site of the work.

(End of Provision)

3.7 52.222-23 NOTICE OF REQUIREMENT FOR AFFIRMATIVE ACTION TO ENSURE EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY FOR CONSTRUCTION (FEB 1999)

(a) The offeror's attention is called to the Equal Opportunity clause and the Affirmative Action Compliance Requirements for Construction clause of this solicitation.

(b) The goals for minority and female participation, expressed in percentage terms for the Contractor's aggregate workforce in each trade on all construction work in the covered area, are as follows:

Goals for minority participation for each trade	Goals for female participation for each trade
3.3 %	6.9%

These goals are applicable to all the Contractor's construction work performed in the covered area. If the Contractor performs construction work in a geographical area located outside of the covered area, the Contractor shall apply the goals established for the geographical area where the work is actually performed. Goals are published periodically in the Federal Register in notice form, and these notices may be obtained from any Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs office.

(c) The Contractor's compliance with Executive Order 11246, as amended, and the regulations in 41 CFR 60-4 shall be based on (1) its implementation of the Equal Opportunity clause, (2) specific affirmative action obligations required by the clause entitled "Affirmative Action Compliance Requirements for Construction," and (3) its efforts to meet the goals. The hours of minority and female employment and training must be substantially uniform throughout the length of the contract, and in each trade. The Contractor shall make a good faith effort to employ minorities and women evenly on each of its projects. The transfer of minority or female employees or trainees from Contractor to Contractor, or from project to project, for the sole purpose of meeting the Contractor's goals shall be a violation of the contract, Executive Order 11246, as amended, and the regulations in 41 CFR 60-4. Compliance with the goals will be measured against the total work hours performed.

(d) The Contractor shall provide written notification to the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Federal Contract Compliance, U.S. Department of Labor, within 10 working days following award of any construction subcontract in excess of \$10,000 at any tier for construction work under the contract resulting from this solicitation. The notification shall list the—

- (1) Name, address, and telephone number of the subcontractor;
- (2) Employer's identification number of the subcontractor;
- (3) Estimated dollar amount of the subcontract;
- (4) Estimated starting and completion dates of the subcontract; and
- (5) Geographical area in which the subcontract is to be performed.

(e) As used in this Notice, and in any contract resulting from this solicitation, the "covered area" is Custer County, MT.

(End of Provision)

3.8 52.225-10 NOTICE OF BUY AMERICAN ACT REQUIREMENT—CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS (FEB 2009)

(a) *Definitions.* "Commercially available off-the-shelf (COTS) item," "construction material," "domestic construction material," and "foreign construction material," as used in this provision, are defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled "Buy American Act—Construction Materials" (Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) clause 52.225-9).

(b) *Requests for determinations of inapplicability.* An offeror requesting a determination regarding the inapplicability of the Buy American Act should submit the request to the Contracting Officer in time to allow a determination before submission of offers. The offeror shall include the information and applicable supporting data required by paragraphs (c) and (d) of the clause at FAR 52.225-9 in the request. If an offeror has not requested a determination regarding the inapplicability of the Buy American Act before submitting its offer, or has not received a response to a previous request, the offeror shall include the information and supporting data in the offer.

(c) Evaluation of offers.

(1) The Government will evaluate an offer requesting exception to the requirements of the Buy American Act, based on claimed unreasonable cost of domestic construction material, by adding to the offered price the appropriate percentage of the cost of such foreign construction material, as specified in paragraph (b)(3)(i) of the clause at FAR 52.225-9.

(2) If evaluation results in a tie between an offeror that requested the substitution of foreign construction material based on unreasonable cost and an offeror that did not request an exception, the Contracting Officer will award to the offeror that did not request an exception based on unreasonable cost.

(d) Alternate offers.

(1) When an offer includes foreign solicitation in paragraph (b)(2) of the clause at FAR 52.225-9, the offeror also may submit an alternate offer based on use of equivalent domestic construction material.

(2) If an alternate offer is submitted, the offeror shall submit a separate Standard Form 1442 for the alternate offer, and a separate price comparison table prepared in accordance with paragraphs (c) and (d) of the clause at FAR 52.225-9 for the offer that is based on the use of any foreign construction material for which the Government has not yet determined an exception applies.

(3) If the Government determines that a particular exception requested in accordance with paragraph (c) of the clause at FAR 52.225-9 does not apply, the Government will evaluate only those offers based on use of the equivalent domestic construction material, and the offeror shall be required to furnish such domestic construction material. An offer based on use of the foreign construction material for which an exception was requested—

(i) Will be rejected as nonresponsive if this acquisition is conducted by sealed bidding; or

(ii) May be accepted if revised during negotiations.

(End of Provision)

3.9 52.225-20 PROHIBITION ON CONDUCTING RESTRICTED BUSINESS OPERATIONS IN SUDAN—CERTIFICATION (AUG 2009)

(a) *Definitions.* As used in this provision—

"Business operations" means engaging in commerce in any form, including by acquiring, developing, maintaining, owning, selling, possessing, leasing, or operating equipment, facilities, personnel, products, services, personal property, real property, or any other apparatus of business or commerce.

"Marginalized populations of Sudan" means—

(1) Adversely affected groups in regions authorized to receive assistance under section 8(c) of the Darfur Peace and Accountability Act (Pub. L. 109-344) (50 U.S.C. 1701 note); and

(2) Marginalized areas in Northern Sudan described in section 4(9) of such Act.

"Restricted business operations" means business operations in Sudan that include power production activities, mineral extraction activities, oil-related activities, or the production of military equipment, as those terms are defined in the Sudan Accountability and Divestment Act of 2007 (Pub. L. 110-174). Restricted business operations do not include business operations that the person (as that term is defined in Section 2 of the Sudan Accountability and Divestment Act of 2007) conducting the business can demonstrate—

(1) Are conducted under contract directly and exclusively with the regional government of southern Sudan;

(2) Are conducted pursuant to specific authorization from the Office of Foreign Assets Control in the Department of the Treasury, or are expressly exempted under Federal law from the requirement to be conducted under such authorization;

(3) Consist of providing goods or services to marginalized populations of Sudan;

(4) Consist of providing goods or services to an internationally recognized peacekeeping force or humanitarian organization;

(5) Consist of providing goods or services that are used only to promote health or education; or

(6) Have been voluntarily suspended.

(b) *Certification.* By submission of its offer, the offeror certifies that the offeror does not conduct any restricted business operations in Sudan.

(End of Provision)

3.10 52.228-1 BID GUARANTEE (SEP 1996)

(a) Failure to furnish a bid guarantee in the proper form and amount, by the time set for opening of bids, may be cause for rejection of the bid.

(b) The bidder shall furnish a bid guarantee in the form of a firm commitment, e.g., bid bond supported by good and sufficient surety or sureties acceptable to the Government, postal money order, certified check, cashier's check, irrevocable letter of credit, or, under Treasury Department regulations, certain bonds or notes of the United States. The Contracting Officer will return bid guarantees, other than bid bonds, (1) to unsuccessful bidders as soon as practicable after the opening of bids, and (2) to the successful bidder upon execution of contractual documents and bonds (including any necessary coinsurance or reinsurance agreements), as required by the bid as accepted.-

(c) The amount of the bid guarantee shall be 20 percent of the bid price or \$3 million, whichever is less.-

(d) If the successful bidder, upon acceptance of its bid by the Government within the period specified for acceptance, fails to execute all contractual documents or furnish executed bond(s) within 10 days after receipt of the forms by the bidder, the Contracting Officer may terminate the contract for default.

(e) In the event the contract is terminated for default, the bidder is liable for any cost of acquiring the work that exceeds the amount of its bid, and the bid guarantee is available to offset the difference.

(End of Provision)

3.11 52.233-2 SERVICE OF PROTEST (SEP 2006)

Protests, as defined in section 33.101 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation, that are filed directly with an agency, and copies of any protests that are filed with the Government Accountability Office (GAO), shall be served on the Contracting Officer (addressed as follows) by obtaining written and dated acknowledgment of receipt from:

Tracy Lynn Jackson
Hand-Carried Address:

Network Contracting Office 19
4100 East Mississippi Ave., #900
Glendale, CO 80246

Mailing Address:

Network Contracting Office 19
4100 East Mississippi Ave., #900
Glendale, CO 80246

(b) The copy of any protest shall be received in the office designated above within one day of filing a protest with the GAO.

(End of Provision)

3.12 52.236-27 SITE VISIT (CONSTRUCTION) (FEB 1995) ALTERNATE I (FEB 1995)

(a) The clauses at 52.236-2, Differing Site Conditions, and 52.236-3, Site Investigations and Conditions Affecting the Work, will be included in any contract awarded as a result of this solicitation. Accordingly, offerors or quoters are urged and expected to inspect the site where the work will be performed.

(b) An organized site visit has been scheduled for February 12, 2014 at 9am MST.

(c) Participants will meet at-

VA Montana Miles City Campus
210 S Winchester
Miles City, MT 59301

***Building 1 in the lobby at 9am MST.

(End of Provision)

3.13 VAAR 852.219-10 VA NOTICE OF TOTAL SERVICE-DISABLED VETERAN-OWNED SMALL BUSINESS SET-ASIDE (DEC 2009)

(a) Definition. For the Department of Veterans Affairs, "Service-disabled veteran-owned small business concern":

(1) Means a small business concern:

(i) Not less than 51 percent of which is owned by one or more service-disabled veterans or, in the case of any publicly owned business, not less than 51 percent of the stock of which is owned by one or more service-disabled veterans (or eligible surviving spouses);

(ii) The management and daily business operations of which are controlled by one or more service-disabled veterans (or eligible surviving spouses) or, in the case of a service-disabled veteran with permanent and severe disability, the spouse or permanent caregiver of such veteran;

(iii) The business meets Federal small business size standards for the applicable North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) code identified in the solicitation document; and

(iv) The business has been verified for ownership and control and is so listed in the Vendor Information Pages database, (<http://www.VetBiz.gov>).

(2) "Service-disabled veteran" means a veteran, as defined in 38 U.S.C. 101(2), with a disability that is service-connected, as defined in 38 U.S.C. 101(16).

(b) *General*. (1) Offers are solicited only from service-disabled veteran-owned small business concerns. Offers received from concerns that are not service-disabled veteran-owned small business concerns shall not be considered.

(2) Any award resulting from this solicitation shall be made to a service-disabled veteran-owned small business concern.

(c) Agreement. A service-disabled veteran-owned small business concern agrees that in the performance of the contract, in the case of a contract for:

(1) Services (except construction), at least 50 percent of the cost of personnel for contract performance will be spent for employees of the concern or employees of other eligible service-disabled veteran-owned small business concerns;

(2) Supplies (other than acquisition from a nonmanufacturer of the supplies), at least 50 percent of the cost of manufacturing, excluding the cost of materials, will be performed by the concern or other eligible service-disabled veteran-owned small business concerns;

(3) General construction, at least 15 percent of the cost of the contract performance incurred for personnel will be spent on the concern's employees or the employees of other eligible service-disabled veteran-owned small business concerns; or

(4) Construction by special trade contractors, at least 25 percent of the cost of the contract performance incurred for personnel will be spent on the concern's employees or the employees of other eligible service-disabled veteran-owned small business concerns.

(d) A joint venture may be considered a service-disabled veteran owned small business concern if--

(1) At least one member of the joint venture is a service-disabled veteran-owned small business concern, and makes the following representations: That it is a service-disabled veteran-owned small business concern, and that it is a small business concern under the North American Industry Classification Systems (NAICS) code assigned to the procurement;

(2) Each other concern is small under the size standard corresponding to the NAICS code assigned to the procurement; and

(3) The joint venture meets the requirements of paragraph 7 of the explanation of Affiliates in 19.101 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation.

(4) The joint venture meets the requirements of 13 CFR 125.15(b).

(e) Any service-disabled veteran-owned small business concern (non-manufacturer) must meet the requirements in 19.102(f) of the Federal Acquisition Regulation to receive a benefit under this program.

(End of Clause)

3.14 VAAR 852.228-72 ASSISTING SERVICE-DISABLED VETERAN-OWNED AND VETERAN-OWNED SMALL BUSINESSES IN OBTAINING BONDS (DEC 2009)

Prime contractors are encouraged to assist service-disabled veteran-owned and veteran-owned small business potential subcontractors in obtaining bonding, when required. Mentor firms are encouraged to assist protégé firms under VA's Mentor-Protégé Program in obtaining acceptable bid, payment, and performance bonds, when required, as a prime contractor under a solicitation or contract and in obtaining any required bonds under subcontracts.

(End of Clause)

3.15 VAAR 852.233-70 PROTEST CONTENT/ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION (JAN 2008)

(a) Any protest filed by an interested party shall:

(1) Include the name, address, fax number, and telephone number of the protester;

(2) Identify the solicitation and/or contract number;

(3) Include an original signed by the protester or the protester's representative and at least one copy;

(4) Set forth a detailed statement of the legal and factual grounds of the protest, including a description of resulting prejudice to the protester, and provide copies of relevant documents;

(5) Specifically request a ruling of the individual upon whom the protest is served;

(6) State the form of relief requested; and

(7) Provide all information establishing the timeliness of the protest.

(b) Failure to comply with the above may result in dismissal of the protest without further consideration.

(c) Bidders/offerors and contracting officers are encouraged to use alternative dispute resolution (ADR) procedures to resolve protests at any stage in the protest process. If ADR is used, the Department of Veterans Affairs will not furnish any documentation in an ADR proceeding beyond what is allowed by the Federal Acquisition Regulation.

(End of Provision)

PLEASE NOTE: The correct mailing information for filing alternate protests is as follows:

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Acquisition and Logistics,
Risk Management Team, Department of Veterans Affairs
810 Vermont Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20420

Or for solicitations issued by the Office of Construction and Facilities Management:

Director, Office of Construction and Facilities Management
811 Vermont Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20420

3.16 852.233-71 ALTERNATE PROTEST PROCEDURE (JAN 1998)

As an alternative to filing a protest with the contracting officer, an interested party may file a protest with the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Acquisition and Materiel Management, Acquisition Administration Team, Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20420, or for solicitations issued by the Office of Construction and Facilities Management, the Director, Office of Construction and Facilities Management, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20420. The protest will not be considered if the interested party has a protest on the same or similar issues pending with the contracting officer.

(End of Provision)

3.17 LIMITATIONS ON SUBCONTRACTING-- MONITORING AND COMPLIANCE (JUN 2011)

This solicitation includes FAR 52.219-14 Limitations on Subcontracting. Accordingly, any contract resulting from this solicitation will include this clause. The contractor is advised in performing contract administration functions, the CO may use the services of a support contractor(s) retained by VA to assist in assessing the contractor's compliance with the limitations on subcontracting or percentage of work performance requirements specified in the clause. To that end, the support contractor(s) may require access to contractor's offices where the contractor's business records or other proprietary data are retained and to review such business records regarding the contractor's compliance with this requirement. All support contractors conducting this review on behalf of VA will be required to sign an "Information Protection and Non-Disclosure and Disclosure of Conflicts of Interest Agreement" to ensure the contractor's business records or other proprietary data reviewed or obtained in the course of assisting the CO in assessing the contractor for compliance are protected to ensure information or data is not improperly disclosed or other impropriety occurs. Furthermore, if VA determines any services the support contractor(s) will perform in assessing compliance are advisory and assistance services as defined in FAR 2.101, Definitions, the support contractor(s) must also enter into an agreement with the contractor to protect proprietary information as required by FAR 9.505-4, obtaining access to proprietary information, paragraph (b). The contractor is required to cooperate fully and make available any records as may be required to enable the CO to assess the contractor's compliance with the limitations on subcontracting or percentage of work performance requirement.

(End of Clause)

3.18 52.252-1 SOLICITATION PROVISIONS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE (FEB 1998)

This solicitation incorporates one or more solicitation provisions by reference, with the same force and effect as if they were given in full text. Upon request, the Contracting Officer will make their full text available. The offeror is cautioned that the listed provisions may include blocks that must be completed by the offeror and submitted with its quotation or offer. In lieu of submitting the full text of those provisions, the offeror may identify the provision by paragraph identifier and provide the appropriate information with its quotation or offer. Also, the full text of a solicitation provision may be accessed electronically at this/these address(es):

<http://www.acquisition.gov/far/index.html>

<http://www.va.gov/oamm/oa/ars/policyreg/vaar/index.cfm>

(End of Provision)

<u>FAR</u> <u>Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>
52.215-1	INSTRUCTIONS TO OFFERORS—COMPETITIVE ACQUISITION	JAN 2004
52.225-25	PROHIBITION ON CONTRACTING WITH ENTITIES ENGAGING IN CERTAIN ACTIVITIES OR TRANSACTIONS RELATING TO IRAN—REPRESENTATION AND CERTIFICATIONS	DEC 2012
52.236-28	PREPARATION OF PROPOSALS—CONSTRUCTION	OCT 1997
52.232-38	SUBMISSION OF ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER INFORMATION WITH OFFER	JUL 2013

GENERAL CONDITIONS

4.1 52.202-1 DEFINITIONS (JAN 2012)

(a) When a solicitation provision or contract clause uses a word or term that is defined in the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR), the word or term has the same meaning as the definition in FAR 2.101 in effect at the time the solicitation was issued, unless--

- (1) The solicitation, or amended solicitation, provides a different definition;
- (2) The contracting parties agree to a different definition;
- (3) The part, subpart, or section of the FAR where the provision or clause is prescribed provides a different meaning; or
- (4) The word or term is defined in FAR Part 31, for use in the cost principles and procedures.

(b) The FAR Index is a guide to words and terms the FAR defines and shows where each definition is located. The FAR Index is available via the Internet at <http://www.acquisition.gov/far> at the end of the FAR, after the FAR Appendix.

(End of Clause)

4.2 52.209-9 UPDATES OF PUBLICLY AVAILABLE INFORMATION REGARDING RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS (JUL 2013)

(a) The Contractor shall update the information in the Federal Awardee Performance and Integrity Information System (FAPIS) on a semi-annual basis, throughout the life of the contract, by posting the required information in the System for Award Management database via <https://www.acquisition.gov>.

(b) As required by section 3010 of the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2010 (Pub. L. 111-212), all information posted in FAPIS on or after April 15, 2011, except past performance reviews, will be publicly available. FAPIS consists of two segments—

(1) The non-public segment, into which Government officials and the Contractor post information, which can only be viewed by—

- (i) Government personnel and authorized users performing business on behalf of the Government; or
- (ii) The Contractor, when viewing data on itself; and

(2) The publicly-available segment, to which all data in the non-public segment of FAPIS is automatically transferred after a waiting period of 14 calendar days, except for—

- (i) Past performance reviews required by subpart 42.15;
- (ii) Information that was entered prior to April 15, 2011; or
- (iii) Information that is withdrawn during the 14-calendar-day waiting period by the Government official who posted it in accordance with paragraph (c)(1) of this clause.

(c) The Contractor will receive notification when the Government posts new information to the Contractor's record.

(1) If the Contractor asserts in writing within 7 calendar days, to the Government official who posted the information, that some of the information posted to the nonpublic segment of FAPIIS is covered by a disclosure exemption under the Freedom of Information Act, the Government official who posted the information must within 7 calendar days remove the posting from FAPIIS and resolve the issue in accordance with agency Freedom of Information procedures, prior to reposting the releasable information. The contractor must cite 52.209-9 and request removal within 7 calendar days of the posting to FAPIIS.

(2) The Contractor will also have an opportunity to post comments regarding information that has been posted by the Government. The comments will be retained as long as the associated information is retained, i.e., for a total period of 6 years. Contractor comments will remain a part of the record unless the Contractor revises them.

(3) As required by section 3010 of Pub. L. 111-212, all information posted in FAPIIS on or after April 15, 2011, except past performance reviews, will be publicly available.

(d) Public requests for system information posted prior to April 15, 2011, will be handled under Freedom of Information Act procedures, including, where appropriate, procedures promulgated under E.O. 12600.

(End of Clause)

4.3 52.211-10 COMMENCEMENT, PROSECUTION, AND COMPLETION OF WORK (APR 1984) ALTERNATE I (APR 1984)

The Contractor shall be required to (a) commence work under this contract within calendar days after the date the Contractor receives the notice to proceed, (b) prosecute the work diligently, and (c) complete the entire work ready for use not later than 365 Days after receipt of Notice to Proceed. The time stated for completion shall include final cleanup of the premises.

The completion date is based on the assumption that the successful offeror will receive the notice to proceed by . The completion date will be extended by the number of calendar days after the above date that the Contractor receives the notice to proceed, except to the extent that the delay in issuance of the notice to proceed results from the failure of the Contractor to execute the contract and give the required performance and payment bonds within the time specified in the offer.

(End of Clause)

4.4 52.211-12 LIQUIDATED DAMAGES—CONSTRUCTION (SEPT 2000)

(a) If the Contractor fails to complete the work within the time specified in the contract, the Contractor shall pay liquidated damages to the Government in the amount of \$271.06 for each calendar day of delay until the work is completed or accepted.

(b) If the Government terminates the Contractor's right to proceed, liquidated damages will continue to accrue until the work is completed. These liquidated damages are in addition to excess costs of repurchase under the Termination clause.

(End of Clause)

4.5 52.219-28 POST-AWARD SMALL BUSINESS PROGRAM REREPRESENTATION (JUL 2013)

(a) *Definitions.* As used in this clause—

Long-term contract means a contract of more than five years in duration, including options. However, the term does not include contracts that exceed five years in duration because the period of performance has been extended for a cumulative period not to exceed six months under the clause at 52.217-8, Option to Extend Services, or other appropriate authority.

Small business concern means a concern, including its affiliates, that is independently owned and operated, not dominant in the field of operation in which it is bidding on Government contracts, and qualified as a small business under the criteria in 13 CFR part 121 and the size standard in paragraph (c) of this clause. Such a concern is "not dominant in its field of operation" when it does not exercise a controlling or major influence on a national basis in a kind of business activity in which a number of business concerns are primarily engaged. In determining whether dominance exists, consideration shall be given to all appropriate factors, including volume of business, number of employees, financial resources, competitive status or position, ownership or control of materials, processes, patents, license agreements, facilities, sales territory, and nature of business activity.

(b) If the Contractor represented that it was a small business concern prior to award of this contract, the Contractor shall rerepresent its size status according to paragraph (e) of this clause or, if applicable, paragraph (g) of this clause, upon the occurrence of any of the following:

(1) Within 30 days after execution of a novation agreement or within 30 days after modification of the contract to include this clause, if the novation agreement was executed prior to inclusion of this clause in the contract.

(2) Within 30 days after a merger or acquisition that does not require a novation or within 30 days after modification of the contract to include this clause, if the merger or acquisition occurred prior to inclusion of this clause in the contract.

(3) For long-term contracts—

(i) Within 60 to 120 days prior to the end of the fifth year of the contract; and

(ii) Within 60 to 120 days prior to the date specified in the contract for exercising any option thereafter.

(c) The Contractor shall rerepresent its size status in accordance with the size standard in effect at the time of this rerepresentation that corresponds to the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) code assigned to this contract. The small business size standard corresponding to this NAICS code can be found at <http://www.sba.gov/content/table-small-business-size-standards>.

(d) The small business size standard for a Contractor providing a product which it does not manufacture itself, for a contract other than a construction or service contract, is 500 employees.

(e) Except as provided in paragraph (g) of this clause, the Contractor shall make the representation required by paragraph (b) of this clause by validating or updating all its representations in the Representations and Certifications section of the System for Award Management (SAM) and its other data in SAM, as necessary, to ensure that they reflect the Contractor's current status. The Contractor shall notify the contracting office in writing within the timeframes specified in paragraph (b) of this clause that the data have been validated or updated, and provide the date of the validation or update.

(f) If the Contractor represented that it was other than a small business concern prior to award of this contract, the Contractor may, but is not required to, take the actions required by paragraphs (e) or (g) of this clause.

(g) If the Contractor does not have representations and certifications in SAM, or does not have a representation in SAM for the NAICS code applicable to this contract, the Contractor is required to complete the following rerepresentation and submit it to the contracting office, along with the contract number and the date on which the rerepresentation was completed:

The Contractor represents that it [] is, [] is not a small business concern under NAICS Code 562910 assigned to contract number will be created at time of award.

[Contractor to sign and date and insert authorized signer's name and title].

(End of Clause)

4.6 52.222-4 CONTRACT WORK HOURS AND SAFETY STANDARDS ACT—OVERTIME COMPENSATION (JUL 2005)

(a) *Overtime requirements.* No Contractor or subcontractor employing laborers or mechanics (see Federal Acquisition Regulation 22.300) shall require or permit them to work over 40 hours in any workweek unless they are paid at least 1 and 1/2 times the basic rate of pay for each hour worked over 40 hours.

(b) *Violation; liability for unpaid wages; liquidated damages.* The responsible Contractor and subcontractor are liable for unpaid wages if they violate the terms in paragraph (a) of this clause. In addition, the Contractor and subcontractor are liable for liquidated damages payable to the Government. The Contracting Officer will assess liquidated damages at the rate of \$10 per affected employee for each calendar day on which the employer required or permitted the employee to work in excess of the standard workweek of 40 hours without paying overtime wages required by the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act.

(c) *Withholding for unpaid wages and liquidated damages.* The Contracting Officer will withhold from payments due under the contract sufficient funds required to satisfy any Contractor or subcontractor liabilities for unpaid wages and liquidated damages. If amounts withheld under the contract are insufficient to satisfy Contractor or subcontractor liabilities, the Contracting Officer will withhold payments from other Federal or Federally assisted contracts held by the same Contractor that are subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act.

(d) Payrolls and basic records.

(1) The Contractor and its subcontractors shall maintain payrolls and basic payroll records for all laborers and mechanics working on the contract during the contract and shall make them available to the Government until 3 years after contract completion. The records shall contain the name and address of each employee, social security number, labor classifications, hourly rates of wages paid, daily and weekly number of hours worked, deductions made, and actual wages paid. The records need not duplicate those required for construction work by Department of Labor regulations at 29 CFR 5.5(a)(3) implementing the Davis-Bacon Act.

(2) The Contractor and its subcontractors shall allow authorized representatives of the Contracting Officer or the Department of Labor to inspect, copy, or transcribe records maintained under paragraph (d)(1) of this clause. The Contractor or subcontractor also shall allow authorized representatives of the Contracting Officer or Department of Labor to interview employees in the workplace during working hours.

(e) *Subcontracts.* The Contractor shall insert the provisions set forth in paragraphs (a) through (d) of this clause in subcontracts that may require or involve the employment of laborers and mechanics and require subcontractors to include these provisions in any such lower tier subcontracts. The Contractor shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor or lower-tier subcontractor with the provisions set forth in paragraphs (a) through (d) of this clause.

(End of Clause)

4.7 52.222-40 NOTIFICATION OF EMPLOYEE RIGHTS UNDER THE NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS ACT (DEC 2010)

(a) During the term of this contract, the Contractor shall post an employee notice, of such size and in such form, and containing such content as prescribed by the Secretary of Labor, in conspicuous places in and about its plants and offices where employees covered by the National Labor Relations Act engage in activities relating to the performance of the contract, including all places where notices to employees are customarily posted both physically and electronically, in the languages employees speak, in accordance with 29 CFR 471.2(d) and (f).

(1) Physical posting of the employee notice shall be in conspicuous places in and about the Contractor's plants and offices so that the notice is prominent and readily seen by employees who are covered by the National Labor Relations Act and engage in activities related to the performance of the contract.

(2) If the Contractor customarily posts notices to employees electronically, then the Contractor shall also post the required notice electronically by displaying prominently, on any Web site that is maintained by the Contractor and is customarily used for notices to employees about terms and conditions of employment, a link to the Department of Labor's Web site that contains the full text of the poster. The link to the Department's Web site, as referenced in (b)(3) of this section, must read, "Important Notice about Employee Rights to Organize and Bargain Collectively with Their Employers."

(b) This required employee notice, printed by the Department of Labor, may be—

(1) Obtained from the Division of Interpretations and Standards, Office of Labor-Management Standards, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Room N-5609, Washington, DC 20210, (202) 693-0123, or from any field office of the Office of Labor-Management Standards or Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs;

(2) Provided by the Federal contracting agency if requested;

(3) Downloaded from the Office of Labor-Management Standards Web site at <http://www.dol.gov/olms/regs/compliance/EO13496.htm>; or

(4) Reproduced and used as exact duplicate copies of the Department of Labor's official poster.

(c) The required text of the employee notice referred to in this clause is located at Appendix A, Subpart A, 29 CFR Part 471.

(d) The Contractor shall comply with all provisions of the employee notice and related rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor.

(e) In the event that the Contractor does not comply with the requirements set forth in paragraphs (a) through (d) of this clause, this contract may be terminated or suspended in whole or in part, and the Contractor may be suspended or debarred in accordance with 29 CFR 471.14 and subpart 9.4. Such other sanctions or remedies may be imposed as are provided by 29 CFR part 471, which implements Executive Order 13496 or as otherwise provided by law.

(f) Subcontracts.

(1) The Contractor shall include the substance of this clause, including this paragraph (f), in every subcontract that exceeds \$10,000 and will be performed wholly or partially in the United States, unless exempted by the rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to section 3 of Executive Order 13496 of January 30, 2009, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor.

(2) The Contractor shall not procure supplies or services in a way designed to avoid the applicability of Executive Order 13496 or this clause.

(3) The Contractor shall take such action with respect to any such subcontract as may be directed by the Secretary of Labor as a means of enforcing such provisions, including the imposition of sanctions for noncompliance.

(4) However, if the Contractor becomes involved in litigation with a subcontractor, or is threatened with such involvement, as a result of such direction, the Contractor may request the United States, through the Secretary of Labor, to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

(End of Clause)

4.8 52.223-3 HAZARDOUS MATERIAL IDENTIFICATION AND MATERIAL SAFETY DATA (JAN 1997)

(a) "Hazardous material," as used in this clause, includes any material defined as hazardous under the latest version of Federal Standard No. 313 (including revisions adopted during the term of the contract).

(b) The offeror must list any hazardous material, as defined in paragraph (a) of this clause, to be delivered under this contract. The hazardous material shall be properly identified and include any applicable identification number, such as National Stock Number or Special Item Number. This information shall also be included on the Material Safety Data Sheet submitted under this contract.

Material (If none, insert "None")	Identification No.

(c) This list must be updated during performance of the contract whenever the Contractor determines that any other material to be delivered under this contract is hazardous.

(d) The apparently successful offeror agrees to submit, for each item as required prior to award, a Material Safety Data Sheet, meeting the requirements of 29 CFR 1910.1200(g) and the latest version of Federal Standard No. 313, for all hazardous material identified in paragraph (b) of this clause. Data shall be submitted in accordance with Federal Standard No. 313, whether or not the apparently successful offeror is the actual manufacturer of these items. Failure to submit the Material Safety Data Sheet prior to award may result in the apparently successful offeror being considered nonresponsible and ineligible for award.

(e) If, after award, there is a change in the composition of the item(s) or a revision to Federal Standard No. 313, which renders incomplete or inaccurate the data submitted under paragraph (d) of this clause, the Contractor shall promptly notify the Contracting Officer and resubmit the data.

(f) Neither the requirements of this clause nor any act or failure to act by the Government shall relieve the Contractor of any responsibility or liability for the safety of Government, Contractor, or subcontractor personnel or property.

(g) Nothing contained in this clause shall relieve the Contractor from complying with applicable Federal, State, and local laws, codes, ordinances, and regulations (including the obtaining of licenses and permits) in connection with hazardous material.

(h) The Government's rights in data furnished under this contract with respect to hazardous material are as follows:

(1) To use, duplicate and disclose any data to which this clause is applicable. The purposes of this right are to—

(i) Apprise personnel of the hazards to which they may be exposed in using, handling, packaging, transporting, or disposing of hazardous materials;

(ii) Obtain medical treatment for those affected by the material; and

(iii) Have others use, duplicate, and disclose the data for the Government for these purposes.

(2) To use, duplicate, and disclose data furnished under this clause, in accordance with subparagraph (h)(1) of this clause, in precedence over any other clause of this contract providing for rights in data.

(3) The Government is not precluded from using similar or identical data acquired from other sources.

(End of Clause)

4.9 52.223-4 RECOVERED MATERIAL CERTIFICATION (MAY 2008)

As required by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act of 1976 (42 U.S.C. 6962(c)(3)(A)(i)), the offeror certifies, by signing this offer, that the percentage of recovered materials content for EPA-designated items to be delivered or used in the performance of the contract will be at least the amount required by the applicable contract specifications or other contractual requirements.

(End of Provision)

4.10 52.225-9 BUY AMERICAN ACT—CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS (SEP 2010)

(a) *Definitions.* As used in this clause—

"Commercially available off-the-shelf (COTS) item"—

(1) Means any item of supply (including construction material) that is—

(i) A commercial item (as defined in paragraph (1) of the definition at FAR 2.101);

(ii) Sold in substantial quantities in the commercial marketplace; and

(iii) Offered to the Government, under a contract or subcontract at any tier, without modification, in the same form in which it is sold in the commercial marketplace; and

(2) Does not include bulk cargo, as defined in section 3 of the Shipping Act of 1984 (46 U.S.C. App. 1702), such as agricultural products and petroleum products.

"Component" means any article, material, or supply incorporated directly into construction material.

"Construction material" means an article, material, or supply brought to the construction site by the Contractor or a subcontractor for incorporation into the building or work. The term also includes an item brought to the site preassembled from articles, materials, or supplies. However, emergency life safety systems, such as emergency lighting, fire alarm, and audio evacuation systems, that are discrete systems incorporated into a public building or work and that are produced as complete systems, are evaluated as a single and distinct construction material regardless of when or how the individual parts or components of those systems are delivered to the construction site. Materials purchased directly by the Government are supplies, not construction material.

"Cost of components" means—

(1) For components purchased by the Contractor, the acquisition cost, including transportation costs to the place of incorporation into the end product (whether or not such costs are paid to a domestic firm), and any applicable duty (whether or not a duty-free entry certificate is issued); or

(2) For components manufactured by the Contractor, all costs associated with the manufacture of the component, including transportation costs as described in paragraph (1) of this definition, plus allocable overhead costs, but excluding profit. Cost of components does not include any costs associated with the manufacture of the construction material.

"Domestic construction material" means—

(1) An unmanufactured construction material mined or produced in the United States;

(2) A construction material manufactured in the United States, if—

(i) The cost of its components mined, produced, or manufactured in the United States exceeds 50 percent of the cost of all its components. Components of foreign origin of the same class or kind for which nonavailability determinations have been made are treated as domestic; or

(ii) The construction material is a COTS item.

"Foreign construction material" means a construction material other than a domestic construction material.

"United States" means the 50 States, the District of Columbia, and outlying areas.

(b) Domestic preference.

(1) This clause implements the Buy American Act (41 U.S.C. 10a-10d) by providing a preference for domestic construction material. In accordance with 41 U.S.C. 431, the component test of the Buy American Act is waived for construction material that is a COTS item (See FAR 12.505(a)(2)). The Contractor shall use only domestic construction material in performing this contract, except as provided in paragraphs (b)(2) and (b)(3) of this clause.

(2) This requirement does not apply to information technology that is a commercial item or to the construction materials or components listed by the Government as follows:

Lead Glass

(3) The Contracting Officer may add other foreign construction material to the list in paragraph (b)(2) of this clause if the Government determines that—

(i) The cost of domestic construction material would be unreasonable. The cost of a particular domestic construction material subject to the requirements of the Buy American Act is unreasonable when the cost of such material exceeds the cost of foreign material by more than 6 percent;

(ii) The application of the restriction of the Buy American Act to a particular construction material would be impracticable or inconsistent with the public interest; or

(iii) The construction material is not mined, produced, or manufactured in the United States in sufficient and reasonably available commercial quantities of a satisfactory quality.

(c) Request for determination of inapplicability of the Buy American Act.

(1)(i) Any Contractor request to use foreign construction material in accordance with paragraph (b)(3) of this clause shall include adequate information for Government evaluation of the request, including—

(A) A description of the foreign and domestic construction materials;

(B) Unit of measure;

(C) Quantity;

(D) Price;

(E) Time of delivery or availability;

(F) Location of the construction project;

(G) Name and address of the proposed supplier; and

(H) A detailed justification of the reason for use of foreign construction materials cited in accordance with paragraph (b)(3) of this clause.

(ii) A request based on unreasonable cost shall include a reasonable survey of the market and a completed price comparison table in the format in paragraph (d) of this clause.

(iii) The price of construction material shall include all delivery costs to the construction site and any applicable duty (whether or not a duty-free certificate may be issued).

(iv) Any Contractor request for a determination submitted after contract award shall explain why the Contractor could not reasonably foresee the need for such determination and could not have requested the determination before contract award. If the Contractor does not submit a satisfactory explanation, the Contracting Officer need not make a determination.

(2) If the Government determines after contract award that an exception to the Buy American Act applies and the Contracting Officer and the Contractor negotiate adequate consideration, the Contracting Officer will modify the contract to allow use of the foreign construction material. However, when the basis for the exception is the unreasonable price of a domestic construction material, adequate consideration is not less than the differential established in paragraph (b)(3)(i) of this clause.

(3) Unless the Government determines that an exception to the Buy American Act applies, use of foreign construction material is noncompliant with the Buy American Act.

(d) *Data*. To permit evaluation of requests under paragraph (c) of this clause based on unreasonable cost, the Contractor shall include the following information and any applicable supporting data based on the survey of suppliers:

FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS PRICE COMPARISON

Construction Material Description	Unit of Measure	Quantity	Price (Dollars)*
Item 1:			
Foreign Construction Material			
Domestic Construction Material			
Item 2:			
Foreign Construction Material			

Domestic Construction Material			
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[List name, address, telephone number, and contact for suppliers surveyed Attach copy of response; if oral, attach summary.]

[Include other applicable supporting information.]

[*Include all delivery costs to the construction site and any applicable duty (whether or not a duty-free entry certificate is issued).]

(End of Clause)

4.11 52.232-33 PAYMENT BY ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER—SYSTEM FOR AWARD MANAGEMENT (JUL 2013)

(a) Method of payment. (1) All payments by the Government under this contract shall be made by electronic funds transfer (EFT), except as provided in paragraph (a)(2) of this clause. As used in this clause, the term "EFT" refers to the funds transfer and may also include the payment information transfer.

(2) In the event the Government is unable to release one or more payments by EFT, the Contractor agrees to either—

(i) Accept payment by check or some other mutually agreeable method of payment; or

(ii) Request the Government to extend the payment due date until such time as the Government can make payment by EFT (but see paragraph (d) of this clause).

(b) *Contractor's EFT information.* The Government shall make payment to the Contractor using the EFT information contained in the System for Award Management (SAM) database. In the event that the EFT information changes, the Contractor shall be responsible for providing the updated information to the SAM database.

(c) *Mechanisms for EFT payment.* The Government may make payment by EFT through either the Automated Clearing House (ACH) network, subject to the rules of the National Automated Clearing House Association, or the Fedwire Transfer System. The rules governing Federal payments through the ACH are contained in 31 CFR part 210.

(d) *Suspension of payment.* If the Contractor's EFT information in the SAM database is incorrect, then the Government need not make payment to the Contractor under this contract until correct EFT information is entered into the SAM database; and any invoice or contract financing request shall be deemed not to be a proper invoice for the purpose of prompt payment under this contract. The prompt payment terms of the contract regarding notice of an improper invoice and delays in accrual of interest penalties apply.

(e) Liability for uncompleted or erroneous transfers. (1) If an uncompleted or erroneous transfer occurs because the Government used the Contractor's EFT information incorrectly, the Government remains responsible for—

(i) Making a correct payment;

(ii) Paying any prompt payment penalty due; and

(iii) Recovering any erroneously directed funds.

(2) If an uncompleted or erroneous transfer occurs because the Contractor's EFT information was incorrect, or was revised within 30 days of Government release of the EFT payment transaction instruction to the Federal Reserve System, and—

(i) If the funds are no longer under the control of the payment office, the Government is deemed to have made payment and the Contractor is responsible for recovery of any erroneously directed funds; or

(ii) If the funds remain under the control of the payment office, the Government shall not make payment, and the provisions of paragraph (d) of this clause shall apply.

(f) *EFT and prompt payment.* A payment shall be deemed to have been made in a timely manner in accordance with the prompt payment terms of this contract if, in the EFT payment transaction instruction released to the Federal Reserve System, the date specified for settlement of the payment is on or before the prompt payment due date, provided the specified payment date is a valid date under the rules of the Federal Reserve System.

(g) *EFT and assignment of claims.* If the Contractor assigns the proceeds of this contract as provided for in the assignment of claims terms of this contract, the Contractor shall require as a condition of any such assignment, that the assignee shall register separately in the SAM database and shall be paid by EFT in accordance with the terms of this clause. Notwithstanding any other requirement of this contract, payment to an ultimate recipient other than the Contractor, or a financial institution properly recognized under an assignment of claims pursuant to subpart 32.8, is not permitted. In all respects, the requirements of this clause shall apply to the assignee as if it were the Contractor. EFT information that shows the ultimate recipient of the transfer to be other than the Contractor, in the absence of a proper assignment of claims acceptable to the Government, is incorrect EFT information within the meaning of paragraph (d) of this clause.

(h) *Liability for change of EFT information by financial agent.* The Government is not liable for errors resulting from changes to EFT information made by the Contractor's financial agent.

(i) *Payment information.* The payment or disbursing office shall forward to the Contractor available payment information that is suitable for transmission as of the date of release of the EFT instruction to the Federal Reserve System. The Government may request the Contractor to designate a desired format and method(s) for delivery of payment information from a list of formats and methods the payment office is capable of executing. However, the Government does not guarantee that any particular format or method of delivery is available at any particular payment office and retains the latitude to use the format and delivery method most convenient to the Government. If the Government makes payment by check in accordance with paragraph (a) of this clause, the Government shall mail the payment information to the remittance address contained in the SAM database.

(End of Clause)

4.12 52.232-40 PROVIDING ACCELERATED PAYMENTS TO SMALL BUSINESS SUBCONTRACTORS (DEC 2013)

(a) Upon receipt of accelerated payments from the Government, the Contractor shall make accelerated payments to its small business subcontractors under this contract, to the maximum extent practicable and prior to when such payment is otherwise required under the applicable contract or subcontract, after receipt of a proper invoice and all other required documentation from the small business subcontractor.

(b) The acceleration of payments under this clause does not provide any new rights under the Prompt Payment Act.

(c) Include the substance of this clause, including this paragraph (c), in all subcontracts with small business concerns, including subcontracts with small business concerns for the acquisition of commercial items.

(End of Clause)

4.13 52.252-2 CLAUSES INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE (FEB 1998)

This contract incorporates one or more clauses by reference, with the same force and effect as if they were given in full text. Upon request, the Contracting Officer will make their full text available. Also, the full text of a clause may be accessed electronically at this/these address(es):

<http://www.acquisition.gov/far/index.html>
<http://www.va.gov/oamm/oa/ars/policyreg/vaar/index.cfm>

(End of Clause)

4.14 VAAR 852.203-70 COMMERCIAL ADVERTISING (JAN 2008)

The bidder or offeror agrees that if a contract is awarded to him/her, as a result of this solicitation, he/she will not advertise the award of the contract in his/her commercial advertising in such a manner as to state or imply that the Department of Veterans Affairs endorses a product, project or commercial line of endeavor.

(End of Clause)

4.15 VAAR 852.203-71 DISPLAY OF DEPARTMENT OF VETERAN AFFAIRS HOTLINE POSTER (DEC 1992)

(a) Except as provided in paragraph (c) below, the Contractor shall display prominently, in common work areas within business segments performing work under VA contracts, Department of Veterans Affairs Hotline posters prepared by the VA Office of Inspector General.

(b) Department of Veterans Affairs Hotline posters may be obtained from the VA Office of Inspector General (53E), P.O. Box 34647, Washington, DC 20043-4647.

(c) The Contractor need not comply with paragraph (a) above if the Contractor has established a mechanism, such as a hotline, by which employees may report suspected instances of improper conduct, and instructions that encourage employees to make such reports.

(End of Clause)

4.16 VAAR 852.211-74 LIQUIDATED DAMAGES (JAN 2008)

If any unit of the work contracted for is accepted in advance of the whole, the rate of liquidated damages assessed will be in the ratio that the value of the unaccepted work bears to the total amount of the contract. If a separate price for unaccepted work has not been stated in the contractor's bid, determination of the value thereof will be made from schedules of costs furnished by the contractor and approved by the contracting officer, as specified elsewhere in the contract.

(End of Clause)

4.17 VAAR 852.228-70 BOND PREMIUM ADJUSTMENT (JAN 2008)

When net changes in original contract price affect the premium of a Corporate Surety Bond by \$5 or more, the Government, in determining the basis for final settlement, will provide for bond premium adjustment computed at the rate shown in the bond.

(End of Clause)

4.18 852.232-72 ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION OF PAYMENT REQUESTS (NOV 2012)

(a) *Definitions.* As used in this clause—

(1) *Contract financing payment* has the meaning given in FAR 32.001.

(2) *Designated agency office* has the meaning given in 5 CFR 1315.2(m).

- (3) *Electronic form* means an automated system transmitting information electronically according to the Accepted electronic data transmission methods and formats identified in paragraph (c) of this clause. Facsimile, email, and scanned documents are not acceptable electronic forms for submission of payment requests.
- (4) *Invoice payment* has the meaning given in FAR 32.001.
- (5) *Payment request* means any request for contract financing payment or invoice payment submitted by the contractor under this contract.
- (b) *Electronic payment requests.* Except as provided in paragraph (e) of this clause, the contractor shall submit payment requests in electronic form. Purchases paid with a Government-wide commercial purchase card are considered to be an electronic transaction for purposes of this rule, and therefore no additional electronic invoice submission is required.
- (c) *Data transmission.* A contractor must ensure that the data transmission method and format are through one of the following:
- (1) VA's Electronic Invoice Presentment and Payment System. (See Web site at <http://www.fsc.va.gov/einvoice.asp>.)
 - (2) Any system that conforms to the X12 electronic data interchange (EDI) formats established by the Accredited Standards Center (ASC) and chartered by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI). The X12 EDI Web site (<http://www.x12.org>) includes additional information on EDI 810 and 811 formats.
- (d) *Invoice requirements.* Invoices shall comply with FAR 32.905.
- (e) *Exceptions.* If, based on one of the circumstances below, the contracting officer directs that payment requests be made by mail, the contractor shall submit payment requests by mail through the United States Postal Service to the designated agency office. Submission of payment requests by mail may be required for:
- (1) Awards made to foreign vendors for work performed outside the United States;
 - (2) Classified contracts or purchases when electronic submission and processing of payment requests could compromise the safeguarding of classified or privacy information;
 - (3) Contracts awarded by contracting officers in the conduct of emergency operations, such as responses to national emergencies;
 - (4) Solicitations or contracts in which the designated agency office is a VA entity other than the VA Financial Services Center in Austin, Texas; or
 - (5) Solicitations or contracts in which the VA designated agency office does not have electronic invoicing capability as described above.

(End of Clause)

4.19 VAAR 852.236-71 SPECIFICATIONS AND DRAWINGS FOR CONSTRUCTION (JUL 2002)

The clause entitled "Specifications and Drawings for Construction" in FAR 52.236-21 is supplemented as follows:

- (a) The contracting officer's interpretation of the drawings and specifications will be final, subject to the disputes clause.
- (b) Large scale drawings supersede small scale drawings.

(c) Dimensions govern in all cases. Scaling of drawings may be done only for general location and general size of items.

(d) Dimensions shown of existing work and all dimensions required for work that is to connect with existing work shall be verified by the contractor by actual measurement of the existing work. Any work at variance with that specified or shown in the drawings shall not be performed by the contractor until approved in writing by the contracting officer.

(End of Clause)

4.20 VAAR 852.236-74 INSPECTION OF CONSTRUCTION (JUL 2002)

The clause entitled "Inspection of Construction" in FAR 52.246-12 is supplemented as follows:

(a) Inspection of materials and articles furnished under this contract will be made at the site by the resident engineer, unless otherwise provided for in the specifications.

(b) Final inspection will not be made until the contract work is ready for beneficial use or occupancy. The contractor shall notify the contracting officer, through the resident engineer, fifteen (15) days prior to the date on which the work will be ready for final inspection.

(End of Clause)

4.21 VAAR 852.236-76 CORRESPONDENCE (APR 1984)

All correspondence relative to this contract shall bear Specification Number, Project Number, Department of Veterans Affairs Contract Number, title of project and name of facility.

(End of Clause)

4.22 VAAR 852.236-77 REFERENCE TO "STANDARDS" (JUL 2002)

Any materials, equipment, or workmanship specified by references to number, symbol, or title of any specific Federal, Industry or Government Agency Standard Specification shall comply with all applicable provisions of such standard specifications, except as limited to type, class or grade, or modified in contract specifications. Reference to "Standards" referred to in the contract specifications, except as modified, shall have full force and effect as though printed in detail in specifications.

(End of Clause)

4.23 VAAR 852.236-78 GOVERNMENT SUPERVISION (APR 1984)

(a) The work will be under the direction of the Department of Veterans Affairs contracting officer, who may designate another VA employee to act as resident engineer at the construction site.

(b) Except as provided below, the resident engineer's directions will not conflict with or change contract requirements.

(c) Within the limits of any specific authority delegated by the contracting officer, the resident engineer may, by written direction, make changes in the work. The contractor shall be advised of the extent of such authority prior to execution of any work under the contract.

(End of Clause)

4.24 VAAR 852.236-79 DAILY REPORT OF WORKERS AND MATERIAL (APR 1984)

The contractor shall furnish to the resident engineer each day a consolidated report for the preceding work day in which is shown the number of laborers, mechanics, foremen/forewomen and pieces of heavy equipment used or employed by the

contractor and subcontractors. The report shall bear the name of the firm, the branch of work which they perform such as concrete, plastering, masonry, plumbing, sheet metal work, etc. The report shall give a breakdown of employees by crafts, location where employed, and work performed. The report shall also list materials delivered to the site on the date covered by the report.

(End of Clause)

4.25 VAAR 852.236-80 SUBCONTRACTS AND WORK COORDINATION (APR 1984) ALTERNATE I (JUL 2002)

(a) Nothing contained in this contract shall be construed as creating any contractual relationship between any subcontractor and the Government. Divisions or sections of specifications are not intended to control the contractor in dividing work among subcontractors, or to limit work performed by any trade.

(b) The contractor shall be responsible to the Government for acts and omissions of his/her own employees, and subcontractors and their employees. The contractor shall also be responsible for coordination of the work of the trades, subcontractors, and material suppliers. The contractor shall, in advance of the work, prepare coordination drawings showing the location of openings through slabs, the pipe sleeves and hanger inserts, as well as the location and elevation of utility lines, including, but not limited to, conveyor systems, pneumatic tubes, ducts, and conduits and pipes 2 inches and larger in diameter. These drawings, including plans, elevations, and sections as appropriate shall clearly show the manner in which the utilities fit into the available space and relate to each other and to existing building elements. Drawings shall be of appropriate scale to satisfy the previously stated purposes, but not smaller than 3/8-inch scale. Drawings may be composite (with distinctive colors for the various trades) or may be separate but fully coordinated drawings (such as sepias or photographic paper reproducibles) of the same scale. Separate drawings shall depict identical building areas or sections and shall be capable of being overlaid in any combination. The submitted drawings for a given area of the project shall show the work of all trades which will be involved in that particular area. Six complete composite drawings or six complete sets of separate reproducible drawings shall be received by the Government not less than 20 days prior to the scheduled start of the work in the area illustrated by the drawings, for the purpose of showing the contractor's planned methods of installation. The objectives of such drawings are to promote carefully planned work sequence and proper trade coordination, in order to assure the expeditious solutions of problems and the installation of lines and equipment as contemplated by the contract documents while avoiding or minimizing additional costs to the contractor and to the Government. In the event the contractor, in coordinating the various installations and in planning the method of installation, finds a conflict in location or elevation of any of the utilities with themselves, with structural items or with other construction items, he/she shall bring this conflict to the attention of the contracting officer immediately. In doing so, the contractor shall explain the proposed method of solving the problem or shall request instructions as to how to proceed if adjustments beyond those of usual trades coordination are necessary. Utilities installation work will not proceed in any area prior to the submission and completion of the Government review of the coordinated drawings for that area, nor in any area in which conflicts are disclosed by the coordination drawings until the conflicts have been corrected to the satisfaction of the contracting officer. It is the responsibility of the contractor to submit the required drawings in a timely manner consistent with the requirements to complete the work covered by this contract within the prescribed contract time.

(c) The Government or its representatives will not undertake to settle any differences between the contractor and subcontractors or between subcontractors.

(d) The Government reserves the right to refuse to permit employment on the work or require dismissal from the work of any subcontractor who, by reason of previous unsatisfactory work on Department of Veterans Affairs projects or for any other reason, is considered by the contracting officer to be incompetent or otherwise objectionable.

(End of Clause)

4.26 VAAR 852.236-82 PAYMENTS UNDER FIXED-PRICE CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS (WITHOUT NAS) (APR 1984) ALTERNATE I (JULY 2002)

(a) Retainage:

(1) The contracting officer may retain funds:

(i) Where performance under the contract has been determined to be deficient or the contractor has performed in an unsatisfactory manner in the past; or

(ii) As the contract nears completion, to ensure that deficiencies will be corrected and that completion is timely.

(2) Examples of deficient performance justifying a retention of funds include, but are not restricted to, the following:

(i) Unsatisfactory progress as determined by the contracting officer;

(ii) Failure to meet schedule in Schedule of Work Progress;

(iii) Failure to present submittals in a timely manner; or

(iv) Failure to comply in good faith with approved subcontracting plans, certifications, or contract requirements.

(3) Any level of retention shall not exceed 10 percent either where there is determined to be unsatisfactory performance, or when the retainage is to ensure satisfactory completion. Retained amounts shall be paid promptly upon completion of all contract requirements, but nothing contained in this subparagraph shall be construed as limiting the contracting officer's right to withhold funds under other provisions of the contract or in accordance with the general law and regulations regarding the administration of Government contracts.

(b) The contractor shall submit a schedule of cost to the contracting officer for approval within 30 calendar days after date of receipt of notice to proceed. Such schedule will be signed and submitted in triplicate. The approved cost schedule will be one of the bases for determining progress payments to the contractor for work completed. This schedule shall show cost by the branches of work for each building or unit of the contract, as instructed by the resident engineer.

(1) The branches shall be subdivided into as many sub-branches as are necessary to cover all component parts of the contract work.

(2) Costs as shown on this schedule must be true costs and, should the resident engineer so desire, he/she may require the contractor to submit the original estimate sheets or other information to substantiate the detailed makeup of the schedule.

(3) The sum of the sub-branches, as applied to each branch, shall equal the total cost of such branch. The total cost of all branches shall equal the contract price.

(4) Insurance and similar items shall be prorated and included in the cost of each branch of the work.

(5) The cost schedule shall include separate cost information for the systems listed in the table in this paragraph (b)(5). The percentages listed below are proportions of the cost listed in the contractor's cost schedule and identify, for payment purposes, the value of the work to adjust, correct and test systems after the material has been installed. Payment of the listed percentages will be made only after the contractor has demonstrated that each of the systems is substantially complete and operates as required by the contract.

(6)(i) The contractor shall at the time of contract award furnish the total cost of the guarantee period services in accordance with specification section(s) covering guarantee period services. The contractor shall submit, within 15 calendar days of receipt of the notice to proceed, a guarantee period performance program that shall include an itemized accounting of the number of work-hours required to perform the guarantee period service on each piece of equipment. The contractor shall also submit the established salary costs, including employee fringe benefits, and what the contractor reasonably expects to pay over the guarantee period, all of which will be subject to the contracting officer's approval.

(ii) The cost of the guarantee period service shall be prorated on an annual basis and paid in equal monthly payments by VA during the period of guarantee. In the event the installer does not perform satisfactorily during this period, all payments may be withheld and the contracting officer shall inform the contractor of the unsatisfactory performance, allowing the contractor 10 days to correct deficiencies and comply with the contract. The guarantee period service is subject to those provisions as set forth in the Payments and Default clauses.

VALUE OF ADJUSTING, CORRECTING, AND TESTING SYSTEM

System	Percent
Pneumatic tube system	10
Incinerators (medical waste and trash)	5
Sewage treatment plant equipment	5
Water treatment plant equipment	5
Washers (dish, cage, glass, etc.)	5
Sterilizing equipment	5
Water distilling equipment	5
Prefab temperature rooms (cold, constant temperature)	5
Entire air-conditioning system (Specified under 600 Sections)	5
Entire boiler plant system (Specified under 700 Sections)	5
General supply conveyors	10
Food service conveyors	10
Pneumatic soiled linen and trash system	10
Elevators and dumbwaiters	10
Materials transport system	10
Engine-generator system	5

Primary switchgear	5
Secondary switchgear	5
Fire alarm system	5
Nurse call system	5
Intercom system	5
Radio system	5
TV (entertainment) system	5

(c) In addition to this cost schedule, the contractor shall submit such unit costs as may be specifically requested. The unit costs shall be those used by the contractor in preparing his/her bid and will not be binding as pertaining to any contract changes.

(d) The contracting officer will consider for monthly progress payments material and/or equipment procured by the contractor and stored on the construction site, as space is available, or at a local approved location off the site, under such terms and conditions as such officer approves, including but not limited to the following:

(1) The material or equipment is in accordance with the contract requirements and/or approved samples and shop drawings.

(2) Only those materials and/or equipment as are approved by the resident engineer for storage will be included.

(3) Such materials and/or equipment will be stored separately and will be readily available for inspection and inventory by the resident engineer.

(4) Such materials and/or equipment will be protected against weather, theft and other hazards and will not be subjected to deterioration.

(5) All of the other terms, provisions, conditions and covenants contained in the contract shall be and remain in full force and effect as therein provided.

(6) A supplemental agreement will be executed between the Government and the contractor with the consent of the contractor's surety for off-site storage.

(e) The contractor, prior to receiving a progress or final payment under this contract, shall submit to the contracting officer a certification that the contractor has made payment from proceeds of prior payments, or that timely payment will be made from the proceeds of the progress or final payment then due, to subcontractors and suppliers in accordance with the contractual arrangements with them.

(f) The Government reserves the right to withhold payment until samples, shop drawings, engineer's certificates, additional bonds, payrolls, weekly statements of compliance, proof of title, nondiscrimination compliance reports, or any other things required by this contract, have been submitted to the satisfaction of the contracting officer.

(End of Clause)

4.27 VAAR 852.236-84 SCHEDULE OF WORK PROGRESS (NOV 1984)

(a) The contractor shall submit with the schedule of costs, a progress schedule that indicates the anticipated installation of work versus the elapsed contract time, for the approval of the contracting officer. The progress schedule time shall be represented in the form of a bar graph with the contract time plotted along the horizontal axis. The starting date of the schedule shall be the date the contractor receives the "Notice to Proceed." The ending date shall be the original contract completion date. At a minimum, both dates shall be indicated on the progress schedule. The specific item of work, i.e., "Excavation", "Floor Tile", "Finish Carpentry", etc., should be plotted along the vertical axis and indicated by a line or bar at which time(s) during the contract this work is scheduled to take place. The schedule shall be submitted in triplicate and signed by the contractor.

(b) The actual percent completion will be based on the value of installed work divided by the current contract amount. The actual completion percentage will be indicated on the monthly progress report.

(c) The progress schedule will be revised when individual or cumulative time extensions of 15 calendar days or more are granted for any reason. The revised schedule should indicate the new contract completion date and should reflect any changes to the installation time(s) of the items of work affected.

(d) The revised progress schedule will be used for reporting future scheduled percentage completion.

(End of Clause)

4.28 VAAR 852.236-85 SUPPLEMENTARY LABOR STANDARDS PROVISIONS (APR 1984)

(a) The wage determination decision of the Secretary of Labor is set forth in section GR, General Requirements, of this contract. It is the result of a study of wage conditions in the locality and establishes the minimum hourly rates of wages and fringe benefits for the described classes of labor in accordance with applicable law. No increase in the contract price will be allowed or authorized because of payment of wage rates in excess of those listed.

(b) The contractor shall submit the required copies of payrolls to the contracting officer through the resident engineer or engineer officer, when acting in that capacity. Department of Labor Form WH- 347, Payroll, available from the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20402, may be used for this purpose. If, however, the contractor or subcontractor elects to use an individually composed payroll form, it shall contain the same information shown on Form WH-347, and in addition be accompanied by Department of Labor Form WH-348, Statement of Compliance, or any other form containing the exact wording of this form.

(End of Clause)

4.29 VAAR 852.236-86 WORKER'S COMPENSATION (JAN 2008)

Public Law 107-217 (40 U.S.C. 3172) authorizes the constituted authority of States to apply their workers compensation laws to all lands and premises owned or held by the United States.

(End of Clause)

4.30 VAAR 852.236-87 ACCIDENT PREVENTION (SEP 1993)

The Resident Engineer on all assigned construction projects, or other Department of Veterans Affairs employee if designated in writing by the Contracting Officer, shall serve as Safety Officer and as such has authority, on behalf of the Contracting Officer, to monitor and enforce Contractor compliance with FAR 52.236-13, Accident Prevention. However, only the Contracting Officer may issue an order to stop all or part of the work while requiring satisfactory or corrective action to be taken by the Contractor.

(End of Clause)

4.31 VAAR 852.236-88 CONTRACT CHANGES--SUPPLEMENT (JUL 2002)

(a) Paragraphs (a)(1) through (a)(4) apply to proposed contract changes costing over \$500,000.

(1) When requested by the contracting officer, the contractor shall submit proposals for changes in work to the resident engineer. Proposals, to be submitted as expeditiously as possible but within 30 calendar days after receipt of request, shall be in legible form, original and two copies, with an itemized breakdown that will include material, quantities, unit prices, labor costs (separated into trades), construction equipment, etc. (Labor costs are to be identified with specific material placed or operation performed.) The contractor must obtain and furnish with a proposal an itemized breakdown as described above, signed by each subcontractor participating in the change regardless of tier. When certified cost or pricing data are required under FAR Subpart 15.403, the cost or pricing data shall be submitted in accordance with FAR 15.403-5.

(2) When the necessity to proceed with a change does not allow sufficient time to negotiate a modification or because of failure to reach an agreement, the contracting officer may issue a change order instructing the contractor to proceed on the basis of a tentative price based on the best estimate available at the time, with the firm price to be determined later. Furthermore, when the change order is issued, the contractor shall submit a proposal, which includes the information required by paragraph (a)(1), for cost of changes in work within 30 calendar days.

(3) The contracting officer will consider issuing a settlement by determination to the contract if the contractor's proposal required by paragraphs (a)(1) or (a)(2) of this clause is not received within 30 calendar days or if agreement has not been reached.

(4) Bond premium adjustment, consequent upon changes ordered, will be made as elsewhere specified at the time of final settlement under the contract and will not be included in the individual change.

(b) Paragraphs (b)(1) through (b)(11) apply to proposed contract changes costing \$500,000 or less:

(1) When requested by the contracting officer, the contractor shall submit proposals for changes in work to the resident engineer. Proposals, to be submitted as expeditiously as possible but within 30 calendar days after receipt of request, shall be in legible form, original and two copies, with an itemized breakdown that will include material, quantities, unit prices, labor costs (separated into trades), construction equipment, etc. (Labor costs are to be identified with specific material placed or operation performed.) The contractor must obtain and furnish with a proposal an itemized breakdown as described above, signed by each subcontractor participating in the change regardless of tier. When certified cost or pricing data or information other than cost or pricing data are required under FAR 15.403, the data shall be submitted in accordance with FAR 15.403-5. No itemized breakdown will be required for proposals amounting to less than \$1,000.

(2) When the necessity to proceed with a change does not allow sufficient time to negotiate a modification or because of failure to reach an agreement, the contracting officer may issue a change order instructing the contractor to proceed on the basis of a tentative price based on the best estimate available at the time, with the firm price to be determined later. Furthermore, when the change order is issued, the contractor shall submit within 30 calendar days, a proposal that includes the information required by paragraph (b)(1) for the cost of the changes in work.

(3) The contracting officer will consider issuing a settlement by determination to the contract if the contractor's proposal required by paragraphs (b)(1) or (b)(2) of this clause is not received within 30 calendar days, or if agreement has not been reached.

(4) Allowances not to exceed 10 percent each for overhead and profit for the party performing the work will be based on the value of labor, material, and use of construction equipment required to accomplish the change. As the value of the change increases, a declining scale will be used in negotiating the percentage of overhead and profit. Allowable

percentages on changes will not exceed the following: 10 percent overhead and 10 percent profit on the first \$20,000; 7-1/2 percent overhead and 7-1/2 percent profit on the next \$30,000; 5 percent overhead and 5 percent profit on balance over \$50,000. Profit shall be computed by multiplying the profit percentage by the sum of the direct costs and computed overhead costs.

(5) The prime contractor's or upper-tier subcontractor's fee on work performed by lower-tier subcontractors will be based on the net increased cost to the prime contractor or upper-tier subcontractor, as applicable. Allowable fee on changes will not exceed the following: 10 percent fee on the first \$20,000; 7-1/2 percent fee on the next \$30,000; and 5 percent fee on balance over \$50,000.

(6) Not more than four percentages, none of which exceed the percentages shown above, will be allowed regardless of the number of tiers of subcontractors.

(7) Where the contractor's or subcontractor's portion of a change involves credit items, such items must be deducted prior to adding overhead and profit for the party performing the work. The contractor's fee is limited to the net increase to contractor of subcontractors' portions cost computed in accordance herewith.

(8) Where a change involves credit items only, a proper measure of the amount of downward adjustment in the contract price is the reasonable cost to the contractor if he/she had performed the deleted work. A reasonable allowance for overhead and profit are properly includable as part of the downward adjustment for a deductive change. The amount of such allowance is subject to negotiation.

(9) Cost of Federal Old Age Benefit (Social Security) tax and of Worker's Compensation and Public Liability insurance appertaining to changes are allowable. While no percentage will be allowed thereon for overhead or profit, prime contractor's fee will be allowed on such items in subcontractors' proposals.

(10) Overhead and contractor's fee percentages shall be considered to include insurance other than mentioned herein, field and office supervisors and assistants, security police, use of small tools, incidental job burdens, and general home office expenses and no separate allowance will be made therefore. Assistants to office supervisors include all clerical, stenographic and general office help. Incidental job burdens include, but are not necessarily limited to, office equipment and supplies, temporary toilets, telephone and conformance to OSHA requirements. Items such as, but not necessarily limited to, review and coordination, estimating and expediting relative to contract changes are associated with field and office supervision and are considered to be included in the contractor's overhead and/or fee percentage.

(11) Bond premium adjustment, consequent upon changes ordered, will be made as elsewhere specified at the time of final settlement under the contract and will not be included in the individual change.

(End of Clause)

4.32 VAAR 852.236-89 BUY AMERICAN ACT (JAN 2008)

(a) Reference is made to the clause entitled "Buy American Act--Construction Materials," FAR 52.225-9.

(b) Notwithstanding a bidder's right to offer identifiable foreign construction material in its bid pursuant to FAR 52.225-9, VA does not anticipate accepting an offer that includes foreign construction material.

(c) If a bidder chooses to submit a bid that includes foreign construction material, that bidder must provide a listing of the specific foreign construction material he/she intends to use and a price for said material. Bidders must include bid prices for comparable domestic construction material. If VA determines not to accept foreign construction material and no comparable domestic construction material is provided, the entire bid will be rejected.

(d) Any foreign construction material proposed after award will be rejected unless the bidder proves to VA's satisfaction: (1) it was impossible to request the exemption prior to award, and (2) said domestic construction material is no longer available, or (3) where the price has escalated so dramatically after the contract has been awarded that it would be unconscionable to require performance at that price. The determinations required by (1), (2), and (3) of this paragraph shall be made in accordance with Subpart 825.2 and FAR 25.2.

(e) By signing this bid, the bidder declares that all articles, materials and supplies for use on the project shall be domestic unless specifically set forth on the Bid Form or addendum thereto.

(End of Clause)

4.33 VAAR 852.236-91 SPECIAL NOTES (JUL 2002)

(a) Signing of the bid shall be deemed to be a representation by the bidder that:

(1) Bidder is a construction contractor who owns, operates, or maintains a place of business, regularly engaged in construction, alteration, or repair of buildings, structures, and communications facilities, or other engineering projects, including furnishing and installing of necessary equipment; or

(2) If newly entering into a construction activity, bidder has made all necessary arrangements for personnel, construction equipment, and required licenses to perform construction work; and

(3) Upon request, prior to award, bidder will promptly furnish to the Government a statement of facts in detail as to bidder's previous experience (including recent and current contracts), organization (including company officers), technical qualifications, financial resources and facilities available to perform the contemplated work.

(b) Unless otherwise provided in this contract, where the use of optional materials or construction is permitted, the same standard of workmanship, fabrication and installation shall be required irrespective of which option is selected. The contractor shall make any change or adjustment in connecting work or otherwise necessitated by the use of such optional material or construction, without additional cost to the Government.

(c) When approval is given for a system component having functional or physical characteristics different from those indicated or specified, it is the responsibility of the contractor to furnish and install related components with characteristics and capacities compatible with the approved substitute component as required for systems to function as noted on drawings and specifications. There shall be no additional cost to the Government.

(d) In some instances it may have been impracticable to detail all items in specifications or on drawings because of variances in manufacturers' methods of achieving specified results. In such instances the contractor will be required to furnish all labor, materials, drawings, services and connections necessary to produce systems or equipment which are completely installed, functional, and ready for operation by facility personnel in accordance with their intended use.

(e) Claims by the contractor for delay attributed to unusually severe weather must be supported by climatological data covering the period and the same period for the 10 preceding years. When the weather in question exceeds in intensity or frequency the 10-year average, the excess experienced shall be considered "unusually severe." Comparison shall be on a monthly basis. Whether or not unusually severe weather in fact delays the work will depend upon the effect of weather on the branches of work being performed during the time under consideration.

(End of Clause)

4.34 VAAR 852.246-74 SPECIAL WARRANTIES (JAN 2008)

The clause entitled "Warranty of Construction" in FAR 52.246-21 is supplemented as follows:

Any special warranties that may be required under the contract shall be subject to the elections set forth in the FAR clause at 52.246-21, Warranty of Construction, unless otherwise provided for in such special warranties.

(End of Clause)

4.35 VAAR 852.270-1 REPRESENTATIVES OF CONTRACTING OFFICERS (JAN 2008)

The contracting officer reserves the right to designate representatives to act for him/her in furnishing technical guidance and advice or generally monitor the work to be performed under this contract. Such designation will be in writing and will define the scope and limitation of the designee's authority. A copy of the designation shall be furnished to the contractor.

(End of Provision)

4.36 SUPPLEMENTAL INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

In accordance with FAR 28.307-2 and FAR 52.228-5, the following minimum coverage shall apply to this contract:

(a) Workers' compensation and employers liability: Contractors are required to comply with applicable Federal and State workers' compensation and occupational disease statutes. If occupational diseases are not compensable under those statutes, they shall be covered under the employer's liability section of the insurance policy, except when contract operations are so commingled with a Contractor's commercial operations that it would not be practical to require this coverage. Employer's liability coverage of at least \$100,000 is required, except in States with exclusive or monopolistic funds that do not permit workers' compensation to be written by private carriers.

(b) General Liability: \$500,000.00 per occurrences.

(c) Automobile liability: \$200,000.00 per person; \$500,000.00 per occurrence and \$20,000.00 property damage.

(d) The successful bidder must present to the Contracting Officer, prior to award, evidence of general liability insurance without any exclusionary clauses for asbestos that would void the general liability coverage.

(e) There shall be no exclusionary clauses added to this contract for any asbestos related work that would void the required General Liability insurance.

(End of Clause)

4.37 SUBCONTRACTING COMMITMENTS--MONITORING AND COMPLIANCE (JUN 2011)

This solicitation includes VAAR 852.215-70, Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned and Veteran-Owned Small Business Evaluation Factors, and VAAR 852.215-71, Evaluation Factor Commitments. Accordingly, any contract resulting from this solicitation will include these clauses. The contractor is advised in performing contract administration functions, the CO may use the services of a support contractor(s) to assist in assessing contractor compliance with the subcontracting commitments incorporated into the contract. To that end, the support contractor(s) may require access to the contractor's business records or other proprietary data to review such business records regarding contract compliance with this requirement. All support contractors conducting this review on behalf of VA will be required to sign an "Information Protection and Non-Disclosure and Disclosure of Conflicts of Interest Agreement" to ensure the contractor's business records or other proprietary data reviewed or obtained in the course of assisting the CO in assessing the contractor for compliance are protected to ensure information or data is not improperly disclosed or other impropriety occurs. Furthermore, if VA determines any services the support contractor(s) will perform in assessing compliance are advisory and assistance services as defined in FAR 2.101, Definitions, the support contractor(s) must also enter into an agreement with the contractor to protect proprietary information as required by FAR 9.505-4, obtaining access to proprietary information, paragraph (b). The contractor is required to cooperate fully and make available any records as may be required to enable the CO to assess the contractor compliance with the subcontracting commitments.

4.38 52.228-15 PERFORMANCE AND PAYMENT BONDS-- CONSTRUCTION (OCT 2010)

(a) *Definitions.* As used in this clause--

"Original contract price" means the award price of the contract; or, for requirements contracts, the price payable for the estimated total quantity; or, for indefinite-quantity contracts, the price payable for the specified minimum quantity. Original contract price does not include the price of any options, except those options exercised at the time of contract award.

(b) *Amount of required bonds.* Unless the resulting contract price is \$150,000 or less, the successful offeror shall furnish performance and payment bonds to the Contracting Officer as follows:

(1) *Performance bonds* (Standard Form 25). The penal amount of performance bonds at the time of contract award shall be 100 percent of the original contract price.

(2) *Payment Bonds* (Standard Form 25-A). The penal amount of payment bonds at the time of contract award shall be 100 percent of the original contract price.

(3) Additional bond protection.

(i) The Government may require additional performance and payment bond protection if the contract price is increased. The increase in protection generally will equal 100 percent of the increase in contract price.

(ii) The Government may secure the additional protection by directing the Contractor to increase the penal amount of the existing bond or to obtain an additional bond.

(c) *Furnishing executed bonds.* The Contractor shall furnish all executed bonds, including any necessary reinsurance agreements, to the Contracting Officer, within the time period specified in the Bid Guarantee provision of the solicitation, or otherwise specified by the Contracting Officer, but in any event, before starting work.

(d) *Surety or other security for bonds.* The bonds shall be in the form of firm commitment, supported by corporate sureties whose names appear on the list contained in Treasury Department Circular 570, individual sureties, or by other acceptable security such as postal money order, certified check, cashier's check, irrevocable letter of credit, or, in accordance with Treasury Department regulations, certain bonds or notes of the United States. Treasury Circular 570 is published in the *Federal Register* or may be obtained from the:

U.S. Department of Treasury
Financial Management Service
Surety Bond Branch
3700 East West Highway, Room 6F01
Hyattsville, MD 20782.

Or via the internet at <http://www.fms.treas.gov/c570/>.

(e) *Notice of subcontractor waiver of protection (40 U.S.C. 3133(c)).* Any waiver of the right to sue on the payment bond is void unless it is in writing, signed by the person whose right is waived, and executed after such person has first furnished labor or material for use in the performance of the contract.

(End of Clause)

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52.202-1	DEFINITIONS	NOV 2013
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52.203-12	LIMITATION ON PAYMENTS TO INFLUENCE CERTAIN FEDERAL TRANSACTIONS	OCT 2010
52.203-17	CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEE WHISTLEBLOWER RIGHTS AND REQUIREMENT TO INFORM EMPLOYEES OF WHISTLEBLOWER RIGHTS	SEP 2013
52.204-4	PRINTED OR COPIED DOUBLE-SIDED ON RECYCLED PAPER	MAY 2011
52.204-9	PERSONAL IDENTITY VERIFICATION OF CONTRACTOR PERSONNEL	JAN 2011
52.204-10	REPORTING EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION AND FIRST- TIER SUBCONTRACT AWARDS	JUL 2013
52.209-6	PROTECTING THE GOVERNMENT'S INTEREST WHEN SUBCONTRACTING WITH CONTRACTORS DEBARRED, SUSPENDED, OR PROPOSED FOR DEBARMENT	AUG 2013
52.215-2	AUDIT AND RECORDS—NEGOTIATION	OCT 2010
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52.222-8	PAYROLLS AND BASIC RECORDS	JUN 2010
52.222-9	APPRENTICES AND TRAINEES	JUL 2005
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52.222-14	DISPUTES CONCERNING LABOR STANDARDS	FEB 1988
52.222-15	CERTIFICATION OF ELIGIBILITY	FEB 1988
52.222-21	PROHIBITION OF SEGREGATED FACILITIES	FEB 1999
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52.222-35	EQUAL OPPORTUNITY FOR VETERANS	SEP 2010
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52.222-37	EMPLOYMENT REPORTS ON VETERANS	SEP 2010
52.222-50	COMBATING TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS	FEB 2009
52.222-54	EMPLOYMENT ELIGIBILITY VERIFICATION	AUG 2013
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52.223-5	POLLUTION PREVENTION AND RIGHT-TO-KNOW INFORMATION ALTERNATE I (MAY 2011)	MAY 2011
52.223-6	DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE	MAY 2001
52.223-18	ENCOURAGING CONTRACTOR POLICIES TO BAN TEXT MESSAGING WHILE DRIVING	AUG 2011
52.225-13	RESTRICTIONS ON CERTAIN FOREIGN PURCHASES	JUN 2008
52.227-1	AUTHORIZATION AND CONSENT	DEC 2007
52.227-2	NOTICE AND ASSISTANCE REGARDING PATENT AND COPYRIGHT INFRINGEMENT	DEC 2007
52.227-4	PATENT INDEMNITY—CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS	DEC 2007
52.228-2	ADDITIONAL BOND SECURITY	OCT 1997
52.228-5	INSURANCE—WORK ON A GOVERNMENT INSTALLATION	JAN 1997
52.228-11	PLEDGES OF ASSETS	JAN 2012
52.228-12	PROSPECTIVE SUBCONTRACTOR REQUESTS FOR BONDS	OCT 1995
52.228-14	IRREVOCABLE LETTER OF CREDIT	DEC 1999
52.229-3	FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL TAXES	FEB 2013
52.232-5	PAYMENTS UNDER FIXED-PRICE CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS	SEP 2002
52.232-17	INTEREST	OCT 2010
52.232-23	ASSIGNMENT OF CLAIMS	JAN 1986
52.232-27	PROMPT PAYMENT FOR CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS	JUL 2013
52.232-39	UNENFORCEABILITY OF UNAUTHORIZED OBLIGATIONS	JUN 2013
52.233-1	DISPUTES ALTERNATE I (DEC 1991)	JUL 2002
52.233-3	PROTEST AFTER AWARD	AUG 1996
52.233-4	APPLICABLE LAW FOR BREACH OF CONTRACT CLAIM	OCT 2004
52.236-2	DIFFERING SITE CONDITIONS	APR 1984
52.236-3	SITE INVESTIGATION AND CONDITIONS AFFECTING THE WORK	APR 1984
52.236-5	MATERIAL AND WORKMANSHIP	APR 1984
52.236-6	SUPERINTENDENCE BY THE CONTRACTOR	APR 1984
52.236-7	PERMITS AND RESPONSIBILITIES	NOV 1991
52.236-8	OTHER CONTRACTS	APR 1984
52.236-9	PROTECTION OF EXISTING VEGETATION, STRUCTURES, EQUIPMENT, UTILITIES, AND IMPROVEMENTS	APR 1984
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52.236-17	LAYOUT OF WORK	APR 1984
52.236-21	SPECIFICATIONS AND DRAWINGS FOR CONSTRUCTION ALTERNATE I (APR 1984)	FEB 1997
52.236-26	PRECONSTRUCTION CONFERENCE	FEB 1995
52.242-13	BANKRUPTCY	
52.242-14	SUSPENSION OF WORK	JUL 1995
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52.243-6	CHANGE ORDER ACCOUNTING	JUN 2007
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52.244-6	SUBCONTRACTS FOR COMMERCIAL ITEMS	
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52.248-3	VALUE ENGINEERING--CONSTRUCTION	MAR 1994
52.249-2	TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE OF THE GOVERNMENT (FIXED PRICE) ALTERNATE I (SEPT 1996)	OCT 2010
52.249-10	DEFAULT (FIXED-PRICE CONSTRUCTION)	APR 2012
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		JAN 1991

4.39 DAVIS BACON WAGES

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Superseded General Decision Number: MT20130058

State: Montana

Construction Type: Building

Counties: Carter, Custer, Fallon, Garfield, Phillips, Powder
River, Rosebud and Valley Counties in Montana.

BUILDING CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS (does not include single family
homes or apartments up to and including 4 stories).

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	Rates	Fringes
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Heat and Frost Insulator.....	\$ 32.17	16.25
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BOIL0011-002 10/01/2013

	Rates	Fringes
BOILERMAKER.....	\$ 33.67	23.85

BRMT0010-003 06/01/2011

CARTER, CUSTER, FALLON, GARFIELD, POWDER RIVER & ROSEBUD
COUNTIES

	Rates	Fringes
BRICKLAYER.....	\$ 24.84	11.69

BRMT0012-001 06/01/2011

PHILLIPS AND VALLEY COUNTIES

	Rates	Fringes
BRICKLAYER.....	\$ 25.16	11.35

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	Rates	Fringes
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CARPENTER (Form Work Only).....	\$ 21.00	11.57
MILLWRIGHT.....	\$ 26.00	11.57

Zone Definition:

The hourly rate applicable to each project is determined by measuring the road miles over the shortest practical route from the County Courthouse of the following towns to the center of the job: Billings, Bozeman, Butte, Great Falls, Helena, Kalispell, Lewiston, Miles City, and Missoula

Zone 1: 0 to 30 miles - Base Rate

Zone 2: 31 to 60 miles - \$3.70

Zone 3: over 60 miles - \$5.60

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Phillips and Valley Counties

	Rates	Fringes
ELECTRICIAN.....	\$ 29.06	2%+10.57

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Carter, Custer, Fallon, Garfield, Powder River & Rosebud

Counties

	Rates	Fringes
ELECTRICIAN.....	\$ 30.73	12.26

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	Rates	Fringes
ELEVATOR MECHANIC.....	\$ 47.00	25.185+a+b

FOOTNOTE:

- a. Employer contributes 8% of the basic hourly rate
for over 5 year's service and 6% of the basic
hourly rate for 6 months to 5 years' of service
as vacation paid credit.
- b. Eight paid holidays: New Year's Day; Memorial Day;
Independence Day; Labor Day; Veteran's Day; Thanksgiving
Day; Friday after Thanksgiving and Christmas Day

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	Rates	Fringes
POWER EQUIPMENT OPERATOR:		

(1) A-frame truck Crane.....\$ 24.32	11.40
(4) Cranes 25-44 tons.....\$ 27.00	11.40
(5) Cranes 45-74 tons.....\$ 28.00	11.40
(6) Cranes 75 to 144 tons, whirley cranes.....\$ 29.00	11.40
(7) Cranes, 150 tons to including 250 tons (add \$1.00 for every 100 tons over 250 tons); Crane, Tower (all).....\$ 30.00	11.40

ZONE DEFINITIONS FOR POWER EQUIPMENT OPERATORS:

The zone hourly rates applicable to each project shall be determined by measuring the road miles over the shortest practical maintained route from the nearest County Court House of the following listed towns to the center of the job:

BILLINGS, BOZEMAN, BUTTE, GREAT FALLS, HELENA, KALISPELL, MISSOULA

Zone 1: 0 to 30 miles - Base Pay

Zone 2: 30 to 60 miles - Base Pay + \$3.50

Zone 3: Over 60 miles - Base Pay + \$5.50

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	Rates	Fringes
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IRONWORKER, REINFORCING.....	\$ 26.50	19.03+a
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a: PAID HOLIDAYS: New Years Day, Memorial Day, July 4th,
Labor Day, Veteran's Day, Thanksgiving Day, Day following
Thanksgiving, and Christmas Day.

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Carter, Custer, Fallon, Garfield, Powder River, and Rosebud
Counties

	Rates	Fringes
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PIPEFITTER, Excludes HVAC

Pipe Installation.....	\$ 29.94	14.91
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PLUMBER, Excludes HVAC Pipe

Installation.....	\$ 29.94	14.91
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PHILLIPS & VALLEY COUNTIES

	Rates	Fringes
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PLUMBER/PIPEFITTER (Excluding
HVAC Pipe Installation).....\$ 28.32 12.73

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Rates Fringes

SHEET METAL WORKER (HVAC Duct
Installation Only).....\$ 27.33 13.16

SUMT2011-033 01/04/2011

Rates Fringes

CARPENTER (Drywall Hanging
Only).....\$ 22.69 0.00

CARPENTER, Excludes Drywall
Hanging, and Form Work.....\$ 16.70 2.31

CEMENT MASON/CONCRETE FINISHER...\$ 18.27 1.50

IRONWORKER, STRUCTURAL.....\$ 20.45 12.76

LABORER: Common or General.....\$ 14.47 3.11

LABORER: Mason Tender - Brick...\$ 18.37 5.94

OPERATOR: Excavator.....\$ 22.98 5.57

OPERATOR: Forklift.....\$ 21.44 8.05

PAINTER: Brush, Roller and

Spray.....\$ 19.18 0.00

PLUMBER (HVAC Pipe

Installation).....\$ 25.75 10.87

ROOFER.....\$ 17.36 3.83

TRUCK DRIVER: Dump Truck.....\$ 18.88 4.66

WELDERS - Receive rate prescribed for craft performing
operation to which welding is incidental.

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Unlisted classifications needed for work not included within
the scope of the classifications listed may be added after
award only as provided in the labor standards contract clauses
(29CFR 5.5 (a) (1) (ii)).

The body of each wage determination lists the classification and wage rates that have been found to be prevailing for the cited type(s) of construction in the area covered by the wage determination. The classifications are listed in alphabetical order of "identifiers" that indicate whether the particular rate is union or non-union.

Union Identifiers

An identifier enclosed in dotted lines beginning with characters other than "SU" denotes that the union classification and rate have found to be prevailing for that classification. Example: PLUM0198-005 07/01/2011. The first four letters , PLUM, indicate the international union and the four-digit number, 0198, that follows indicates the local union number or district council number where applicable , i.e., Plumbers Local 0198. The next number, 005 in the example, is an internal number used in processing the wage determination. The date, 07/01/2011, following these characters is the effective date of the most current negotiated rate/collective bargaining agreement which would be July 1, 2011 in the above example.

Union prevailing wage rates will be updated to reflect any changes in the collective bargaining agreements governing the

rates.

0000/9999: weighted union wage rates will be published annually each January.

Non-Union Identifiers

Classifications listed under an "SU" identifier were derived from survey data by computing average rates and are not union rates; however, the data used in computing these rates may include both union and non-union data. Example: SULA2004-007 5/13/2010. SU indicates the rates are not union majority rates, LA indicates the State of Louisiana; 2004 is the year of the survey; and 007 is an internal number used in producing the wage determination. A 1993 or later date, 5/13/2010, indicates the classifications and rates under that identifier were issued as a General Wage Determination on that date.

Survey wage rates will remain in effect and will not change until a new survey is conducted.

WAGE DETERMINATION APPEALS PROCESS

1.) Has there been an initial decision in the matter? This can be:

- * an existing published wage determination
- * a survey underlying a wage determination
- * a Wage and Hour Division letter setting forth a position on a wage determination matter
- * a conformance (additional classification and rate) ruling

On survey related matters, initial contact, including requests for summaries of surveys, should be with the Wage and Hour Regional Office for the area in which the survey was conducted because those Regional Offices have responsibility for the Davis-Bacon survey program. If the response from this initial contact is not satisfactory, then the process described in 2.) and 3.) should be followed.

With regard to any other matter not yet ripe for the formal process described here, initial contact should be with the Branch of Construction Wage Determinations. Write to:

Branch of Construction Wage Determinations
Wage and Hour Division
U.S. Department of Labor
200 Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20210

2.) If the answer to the question in 1.) is yes, then an

interested party (those affected by the action) can request review and reconsideration from the Wage and Hour Administrator (See 29 CFR Part 1.8 and 29 CFR Part 7). Write to:

Wage and Hour Administrator
U.S. Department of Labor
200 Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20210

The request should be accompanied by a full statement of the interested party's position and by any information (wage payment data, project description, area practice material, etc.) that the requestor considers relevant to the issue.

3.) If the decision of the Administrator is not favorable, an interested party may appeal directly to the Administrative Review Board (formerly the Wage Appeals Board). Write to:

Administrative Review Board
U.S. Department of Labor
200 Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20210

4.) All decisions by the Administrative Review Board are final.

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END OF GENERAL DECISION

4.40 LIST OF ATTACHMENTS

See attached document: Miles City Asbestos - Addendum 1 - (2-18-14).

See attached document: Miles City Asbestos - Addendum 2 - (2-26-14).doc.

See attached document: VAMC Miles City Composite Sheet Summary.

See attached document: Miles City VA Current Set (Phase 2-16) 1 of 3.

See attached document: Miles City VA Current Set (Phase 2-16) 2 of 3.

See attached document: Miles City VA Current Set (Phase 2-16) 3 of 3.

See attached document: Miles City VA Asbestos Abatement Original Drawings - Sheets CV - HA402.

See attached document: 12 MCVA - 09 65 19 1.3.C - 12 inch VFT.

See attached document: Technical Specifications - Appendix A Coversheet.

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