

MEETING SUMMARY

PROJECT: Department of Veteran Affairs Medical Center – Iowa City
Asbestos Abatement of Building 1

MEETING DATE: March 11, 2014
1:00 p.m.
Building 1, Room 3W19B

ISSUE DATE: March 26, 2014

MEETING PURPOSE: Pre-Bid Conference

ATTENDING: See attached Attendance Sheet

Bidding Information:

1. Questions must be submitted in writing to Ben Smith (Benjamin.smith8@va.gov) and Angie Mabley (Angelique.Mabley@va.gov) by 4:30pm on March 25, 2014.
2. Bid opening will take place in Des Moines, IA on March 31, 2014 at 10:00am. Bids being mailed or hand delivered to the address below. Bids must be received and posted prior to 10:00am.

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3. An amendment to add Asbestos Abatement of Chase 10E22 will be included. The official amendment document will be available online.

Project Information:

1. This project is to abate asbestos in various locations in Building 1 of the VA Medical Center.
2. The project also includes removal of an existing Ash Silo and conversion of that space to storage spaces. The Ash Silo work includes creating a new third floor of structural steel and poured concrete.
3. Access to the Medical Center from the Ash Silo space will be created at two locations, the second and third floors. Infection Control measures must be taken in these areas as well as all areas inside the Medical Center to prevent the passage of any dust and other contaminants. Infection Control procedures can be found in the Contract Documents.



4. This project includes a Deduct Alternate. Deduct Alternate provides encapsulation of asbestos at column areas in Kitchen, Rooms 1S02 and 1S04, per drawings 1-AA2. Base Bid is removal and disposal of asbestos containing TSI. Base Bid also includes architectural work for demolition and reconstruction of column enclosures.

Questions and Concerns:

1. Q. Sub-Basement Tunnel – What is the VA's definition of an occupied space or unoccupied space in regards to whether they can do glove bag work or a full containment?
2. Q. What is positive on the duct wrap in the basement?
3. Q. When does the abatement of asbestos happen in the silo? Before, during, or after the demolition of the round silo?
4. Q. Has Mercury been tested in the silo?
5. Q. Will S-H be doing backgrounds, air monitoring, visual clearances, and air clearances?
6. Q. Is S-H capable of doing OSHA personal air monitoring?
7. Q. Is S-H capable of reading PCM air samples (personals and monitoring) onsite with a scope?
8. Q. Does the VA specify that a 3 stage decontamination unit be used for glove bag work? If so, will this specification actually be enforced? Could contractors use a remote decontamination unit for glove bag work?
9. Q. Elevator access for contractors?
10. Q. Who takes the hard plaster ceilings: abatement or general demo contractor?
11. Q. Will lighting be disconnected before plaster ceilings are demolished?
12. Q. Will sprinklers be disconnected before plaster ceilings are demolished?
13. Q. What happens to movable items in abatement areas (boxes, books, tools, equipment, chairs, desks, etc)?
14. Q. What happens to non-movable items in abatement areas? Specific question asked about 10E14 rooms with ACM countertops, fume hoods, and floor tile. What if they break a piece of the countertop?
15. Q. How thick are the plaster ceilings?
16. Q. Will the radiant heat piping in 10E14's plaster ceiling be disconnected before demolition? Who is in charge of doing this and does the piping have to be salvaged?
17. Q. Is the Abatement contractor in charge of demoing out chases and walls to access damaged pipes? (10th and 6th floors)

This documents our understanding of the items discussed and the agreements or decisions reached. Please contact our office with any omissions or discrepancies.

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