

## AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION/MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT

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2. AMENDMENT/MODIFICATION NO.

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3. EFFECTIVE DATE

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8. NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONTRACTOR (No., street, county, State and ZIP Code)

To all Offerors/Bidders

(X)

9A. AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION NO.

VA258-14-R-0157

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9B. DATED (SEE ITEM 11)

10A. MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT/ORDER NO.

10B. DATED (SEE ITEM 13)

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## 11. THIS ITEM ONLY APPLIES TO AMENDMENTS OF SOLICITATIONS

☒ The above numbered solicitation is amended as set forth in Item 14. The hour and date specified for receipt of Offers ☐ is extended, ☒ is not extended.

Offers must acknowledge receipt of this amendment prior to the hour and date specified in the solicitation or as amended, by one of the following methods:

(a) By completing Items 8 and 15, and returning 1 copies of the amendment; (b) By acknowledging receipt of this amendment on each copy of the offer submitted; or (c) By separate letter or telegram which includes a reference to the solicitation and amendment numbers. FAILURE OF YOUR ACKNOWLEDGMENT TO BE RECEIVED AT THE PLACE DESIGNATED FOR THE RECEIPT OF OFFERS PRIOR TO THE HOUR AND DATE SPECIFIED MAY RESULT IN REJECTION OF YOUR OFFER. If by virtue of this amendment you desire to change an offer already submitted, such change may be made by telegram or letter, provided each telegram or letter makes reference to the solicitation and this amendment, and is received prior to the opening hour and date specified.

12. ACCOUNTING AND APPROPRIATION DATA (If required)

13. THIS ITEM APPLIES ONLY TO MODIFICATIONS OF CONTRACTS/ORDERS,  
IT MODIFIES THE CONTRACT/ORDER NO. AS DESCRIBED IN ITEM 14.

(X)

A. THIS CHANGE ORDER IS ISSUED PURSUANT TO: (Specify authority) THE CHANGES SET FORTH IN ITEM 14 ARE MADE IN THE CONTRACT ORDER NO. IN ITEM 10A.

B. THE ABOVE NUMBERED CONTRACT/ORDER IS MODIFIED TO REFLECT THE ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES (such as changes in paying office, appropriation date, etc.) SET FORTH IN ITEM 14, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY OF FAR 43.103(b).

C. THIS SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT IS ENTERED INTO PURSUANT TO AUTHORITY OF:

D. OTHER (Specify type of modification and authority)

E. IMPORTANT: Contractor ☐ is not, ☒ is required to sign this document and return 1 copies to the issuing office.

14. DESCRIPTION OF AMENDMENT/MODIFICATION (Organized by UCF section headings, including solicitation/contract subject matter where feasible.)

Please see attachment for responses to the Q&amp;A session held on 4/14/14.

Except as provided herein, all terms and conditions of the document referenced in Item 9A or 10A, as heretofore changed, remains unchanged and in full force and effect.

15A. NAME AND TITLE OF SIGNER (Type or print)

16A. NAME AND TITLE OF CONTRACTING OFFICER (Type or print)

Edelma Galarza-Valentin  
Contracting Officer

15B. CONTRACTOR/OFFEROR

15C. DATE SIGNED

16B. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

16C. DATE SIGNED

(Signature of person authorized to sign)

BY

(Signature of Contracting Officer)

## Las Cruces CBOC Question and Answer Session, April 14 2014

### Technical Questions

Q1. Will there be a need to issue any performance or bid bonds?

A1. It will be determined at the time of the competitive range if a bid bond will be required. Performance Bond will be required.

Q2. Does the construction have to all be non-combustible or can we build a type 5-B?

A2. Yes, as specified in Paragraph 1.14, Fire Protection and Safety.

Q3. Is this going to be a LEED Silver HC or NC project?

A3. If the site proposed is a built-to-suit then the project must meet the requirements of LEED – HC. If the site proposed is tenant space then the project must meet the requirements of LEED – CI.

Q4. Can we frame stucco vs block?

A4. Yes, however all structural requirements must be met. Concrete panels are also acceptable.

Q5. Can we have a flat roof vs a pitch roof to say with a southwestern design?

A5. Refer to paragraph 6.2.5.4.2, Low Slope Roof Systems.

Q6. Will you consider property that is currently in FEMA's 100 year flood plan, but is currently processing a LOMR (Letter of Map Revision) that will remove it from the flood plain?

A6. No

Q7. A facility located in an urban shopping mall setting will have limited landscaping. Is this acceptable?

A7. Yes

Q8. Of the 80 required parking spaces 3% or 3 handicapped spaces are required. Does this paragraph raise that requirement to 15% (12 spaces)? The invitation originally required 60 spaces and the City of Las Cruces would require approximately 50 spaces. Are 80 the number of spaces required?

A8. 80 is the number that is required due to addition of services during the development of the requirements package. 12 handicap spaces would be required due to the higher average of handicap patients within the VHA. 15 spaces must be fenced.

Q9. In an urban shopping mall setting – is it important that the SFO facility express an individual front and entry?

A9. Yes

Q10. If an existing building is proposed are there any LEED requirements?

A10. Yes, if the site proposed is tenant space then the project must meet the requirements of LEED – CI.

Q11. For calculating net usable space use 15% for circulation regardless of what actual circulation is?

A11. Use 15% of inside gross area for corridors and circulation

Q12. Public toilets are listed in the FIT UP. Are there additional public toilets required by this section?  
Also are public toilets to all have automatic door openers?

A12. No additional toilets, yes automatic openers are required.

Q13. Can the circular building drop off be a part of the parking area?

A13. Only if located directly in front of the main entrance and pedestrians can safely cross.

Q14. In an urban shopping mall setting, fencing of the site facility will not be possible and the designation of specific parking spaces also will not work because entries, access isles and parking spaces must be shared. Is this an acceptable situation?

A14. No, Security of government vehicles is required. Due to patient appointment and the high volume of handicapped Veterans we will require dedicated parking as close to the main entrance of the facility as possible

Q15. The example plans provided do not appear to have revolving door entries or vestibules of 21 foot lengths. Are these items required?

A15. No

Q16. Section 6.2.5.3 seems to conflict with requirements of section 6.2.3.1 Exterior doors. Which controls?

A16. The controls which operate the automatic doors.

Q17. Is an individual temperature control required in all perimeter rooms and for maximum groupings of four interior rooms?

A17. Refer to paragraph 6.5.3.1, Room Temperature Control

Q18. The SFO references the PACT Teamlet. In the past once we have gotten to the design development phase this PACT teamlet has been overridden by more desirable adjacency requests from the local users. Will this also be the case for Las Cruces or should we focus on the PACT teamlet when identifying special adjacencies?

A18. Focus on PACT Teamlet; this is now a CFM requirement

Q19. Which bonds will be required?

A19. It will be determined at the time of the competitive range if a bid bond will be required. Performance Bond will be required.

Q20. Does the architect need to be LEED certified or is it just the building that needs the LEED certification?

A20. Just the building

### **Contracting Questions**

Q20. Is it possible to push the submittal date a month?

A20. No

Q21. Is there going to be 5 year out or will it be 10 year fixed?

A21. 5 year out. The term will be as stated in the SFO. No deviations will be accepted for either the term, or the amortization of the Tenant Improvements.