

Response to RFI's

Project #:	691-14-122WL
Project Name:	Remove Underground Storage Tanks B.295
Solicitation #:	VA262-14-B-0696

1. Who removes amber oil and disposes it?
VA has a separate contractor to remove the oil from the tanks
2. How much amber oil is to be removed?
VA has a separate contractor to remove the oil from the tanks.
3. How thick is concrete on top of tanks?
Please refer to the drawings provided for information
4. Is there rebar in concrete over tanks?
Please refer to the drawings provided for information
5. What are the tanks made of?
Please refer to the drawings provided for information
6. Should the tanks be considered to be made of fiberglass?
Please refer to the drawings provided for information
7. What are the backfill and compaction requirements?
95% minimum but shall be in compliance with application regulations. Please refer to specs for more information
8. If pea gravel is encountered can it be used as fill material or can it be hauled away?
Fill materials shall be tested to meet standards and requirements. Please refer to specs for more information
9. What is the diameter and length of the tanks?
Please refer to the drawings provided for information
10. How deep are the tanks buried?
Please refer to the drawings provided for information
11. What is the depth to the top of the tanks?
Please refer to the drawings provided for information
12. When the tanks were installed was the excavation shored? **Yes**
 - a. If so what type of excavation was used? **Both backhoe and manual methods**

13. Are there any structures near the tanks that will be required to be protected?
Please refer to the drawings provided for information. When excavate, precautions shall be practiced to ensure protection of surrounding areas. Underground survey shall be needed to determine underground obstacles such as utilities prior to start of excavation.
14. Is the contractor required to include disposal of contaminated soil in the base bid?
Contractor is required to test the soils for contamination. If they are contaminated, then it shall be disposed of according to the regulations
15. If so, what is the volume of soil?
This depends if the soil is contaminated or not. All contaminated soil shall be treated and disposed of in accordance with regulations.
16. If geotechnical is required (i.e. compaction testing) will the VA provide the service?
Contractor is responsible for geotechnical and testing services and all permits required for this job.
17. Does the chain link fence remain?
No
18. What is the finished grade to consist of in place of the UST pad?
Same grade as the existing – seed area with grass seeds
19. Is the paint on the pipes (pink) lead based?
Contractor shall perform testing to determine if the materials are hazardous. If hazardous, they shall be abated and disposed of in accordance with regulations.
20. If so, will the VA remove it prior to contractor removing the piping?
Contractor is responsible for this work
21. Is Shoring Required to be:
a. Designed – Yes, shop drawings will be needed from contractor prior to start of construction
22. Are the UST's currently Permitted/registered?
Yes
23. Will VA provide a copy of the last SB989 test performed on the three UST?
Yes, report shall be provided prior to start
24. Regarding the project will there be any replacement of the UST's after they are removed?
No. There will NOT be any replacement of the underground tanks after they are removed. The drawings provided to the bidders with the RFP documentation are the drawings for the installation of the tanks which are required to be removed as part of the scope of this project. These are reference drawings. They were provided to show three underground amber fuel oil tanks which must be removed as part of this project.

25. Will the amber oil in the (3) UST's be pumped out and if so what will be the remaining quantity of product remaining in each tank?
Yes, prior to start of construction, VA will have a separate vendor to come in and remove the amber oil in all three tanks. Prior to removal and demolition of the tanks, contractor shall clean all three tanks of any residual oil. All work shall comply with laws and regulations.
26. Will the monitoring system be salvaged?
All components associated with the monitoring system shall be demolished as part of this project. However, contractor shall turn over the main panel of the tanks monitoring system to the VA. The rest of the components shall be disposed of in accordance with regulations.
27. Please verify the extent of the demolition for this project?
Contractor shall demolish all three underground storage tanks and their associated components relating to these tanks. This includes but not limited to all piping, pumps, valves, electrical connections, etc...
28. Please clarify which Contractor License is required **from the SDVOSB Prime**? A or B.
Not required as part of bid contents.
29. Safety/Environmental Violations and Experience Modification Rate (EMR) is required?
Not required as part of bid contents.
30. What is a liquidated damages per day?
Not applicable

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