

GOVERNMENT REQUEST FOR LEASE PROPOSAL NO. VA257-14-R-0728 Palestine, Texas

Offers due by 08 June 2015

In order to be considered for award, offers conforming to the requirements of the RLP shall be received no later than 1600 CST on the date above. See "Receipt Of Lease Proposals" herein for additional information.

This Request for Lease Proposals ("RLP") sets forth instructions and requirements for proposals for a Lease described in the RLP documents. Proposals conforming to the RLP requirements will be evaluated in accordance with the Method of Award set forth herein. The Government will award the Lease, subject to the conditions herein.

The information collection requirements contained in this Solicitation/Contract, that are not required by regulation, have been approved by the Office of Management and Budget pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act and assigned the OMB Control No. 3090-0163

SUCCEEDING/SUPERSEDING RLP GSA FORM R102 (09/14)

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REQUEST FOR LEASE PROPOSALS NO. VA257-14-Q-0548

11 May 2015 SUCCEEDING/SUPERSEDING RLP GSA FORM R102 (September 2014)

SECTION 1 STATEMENT OF REQUIREMENTS

1.01 GENERAL INFORMATION (SUCCEEDING) (SEP 2013)

- A. This Request for Lease Proposals (RLP) sets forth instructions and requirements for proposals for a Succeeding or Superseding Lease where the Government is currently in occupancy and possession of the leased Premises. Unless otherwise noted, the Government will accept the leased Premises in their current condition, with the exceptions outlined in the RLP documents. The Government will evaluate the proposal conforming to the RLP requirements in accordance with the Method of Award set forth below. The Government will award the Lease subject to the conditions below.
- B. Included in the RLP documents is a lease form (GSA Form L202) setting forth the Lease term and other terms and conditions of the Lease contemplated by this RLP and a Proposal to Lease Space (GSA Form 1364-S) on which Offeror shall submit its offered rent and other price data, together with required information and submissions. The Lease paragraph titled "Definitions and General Terms" shall apply to the terms of this RLP.
- C. Do not attempt to complete the lease form (GSA Form L202). Upon selection for award, GSA will transcribe the final offered rent and other price data included on the GSA Form 1364-S into the lease form, and transmit the completed Lease, including any appropriate attachments, to the Offeror for execution. Neither the RLP nor any other part of the Offeror's proposal shall be part of the Lease except to the extent expressly incorporated therein. The Offeror should review the completed Lease for accuracy and consistency with his or her proposal, sign and date the first page, initial each subsequent page of the Lease, and return it to the Lease Contracting Officer (LCO).
- D. The Offeror's executed Lease shall constitute a firm offer. No Lease shall be formed until the LCO executes the Lease and delivers a signed copy to the Offeror.

1.02 AMOUNT AND TYPE OF SPACE, LEASE TERM, AND OCCUPANCY DATE (SUCCEEDING) (SEP 2013)

- A. The Government is seeking **9,999** of American National Standards Institute/Building Owners and Managers Association (ANSI/BOMA) for Office Area (ABOA) square feet (SF) of Space within the existing location. See Section 2 of the Lease for applicable ANSI/BOMA standards.
- B. The Government requires **75** structured/inside parking spaces and **07** surface/outside parking spaces, reserved for the exclusive use of the Government. These spaces must be secured and lit in accordance with the Security Requirements set forth in the Lease. Offeror shall include the cost of this parking as part of the rental consideration.
- C. As part of the rental consideration, the Government may require use of part of the Building roof for the installation of antenna(s). If antenna space is required, specifications regarding the type of antenna(s) and mounting requirements are included in the agency requirements information provided with this RLP.
- E. The lease term shall be **10** Years, **5** Years Firm, , with Government termination rights, in whole or in part, effective at any time after the Firm Term of the Lease by providing not less than 90 days' prior written notice.
- F. The Lease Term Commencement Date will be 02 April 2016, or upon acceptance of the Space, whichever is later.

1.03 LIST OF RLP DOCUMENTS (SUCCEEDING) (SEP 2013)

The following documents are attached to and included as part of this RLP package:

1.04 AMENDMENTS TO THE RLP (JUN 2012)

This RLP may be amended by notice from the LCO. Amendments may modify the terms of this RLP, or the terms, conditions, and requirements of the Lease contemplated by the RLP.

1.05 LEASE DESCRIPTION (SUCCEEDING) (SEP 2012)

Offeror shall examine the Lease form included in the RLP documents to understand the Government's and the Lessor's respective rights and responsibilities under the contemplated Lease.

The Lease contemplated by this RLP includes:

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Government Form L202 Lease	34				
Security Addendum 1	5				
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Exhibit B.1 – Schedule B	-	Complete & Submit			
Government Form 3516 Solicitation Provisions	5	Complete & Submit			
Government Form R102 Request for Lease Proposal	16	Complete & Submit			
GSA Form 1217	2	Complete & Submit			
GSA Form 3517B Clauses	46	Complete & Submit			
GSA Form 3518-SAM	2	Complete & Submit			
GSA Form 1364S	8	Complete & Submit			
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- A. The term of the Lease, and renewal option, if any.
- B. Terms and Conditions of the Lease, including Definitions, Standards, and Formulas applicable to the Lease and this RLP.
- C. Building Shell standards and requirements.
- D. Information concerning the tenant agency's buildout requirements, to be supplemented after award.
- E. Security Requirements.
- F. A description of all services to be provided by the Lessor.

Should the Offeror be awarded the Lease, the terms of the Lease will be binding upon the Lessor without regard to any statements contained in this RLP.

The Lease contemplated by this RLP is a fully serviced turnkey Lease with a rent that covers all Lessor costs, including all shell upgrades, Tls, operating costs, real estate taxes and security upgrades. Rent will be based upon a proposed rental rate per Rentable Square Foot (RSF), limited by the offered rate and the ABOA SF solicited under this RLP. The Tenant Improvements (TI) to be delivered by the Lessor will be based upon information provided with this RLP and Lease. The Lessor shall build the Tls and will be compensated for the Tl costs based upon turnkey pricing established under the Lease. The Lease also provides that the Government may modify the Tenant Improvement requirements, subject to the Lessor's right to receive compensation for such changes. Upon completion and acceptance of the leased Space, the lease term shall commence. During the term of the Lease, rent will be adjusted for changes to the Lessor's operating costs and real estate taxes, pursuant to paragraphs set forth in Section 2 of the Lease.

The security pricing process is described in a separate paragraph.

The Offeror is advised that doing business with the Government carries special responsibilities with respect to sustainability, fire protection and life safety, and security, as well as other requirements not typically found in private commercial leases. These are set forth both in the lease form and in the GSA Form 3517B, which will be part of the Lease.

1.06 RELATIONSHIP OF RLP BUILDING MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS AND LEASE OBLIGATIONS (JUN 2012)

The Lease establishes various requirements relating to the Building shell. Such requirements are not deemed Tls. Certain of these Building requirements are established as minimum requirements in this RLP. If the Lessor's Building does not meet the requirements at the time of award, the Lessor may still be awarded the Lease. However, as a condition of award, the Government will require Lessor to identify those Building improvements that will bring the Building into compliance with RLP requirements. Upon award of the Lease, completion of those Building improvements will become Lease obligations.

1.07 PRICING OF SECURITY REQUIREMENTS (SUCCEEDING) (SEP 2013)

A. This proposed Lease contains an attachment with the security requirements and obligations for the Building, which are based on the facility security level (FSL). The Federal Government determines the facility's FSL rating, which ranges from FSL I to FSL IV.

The FSL is based on client agency mix, required size of space, number of employees, use of the space, location, configuration of the site and lot, and public access into and around the facility.

- B. The security requirements attached to this Lease includes a general list of countermeasures that may be installed in the leased Space as part of the Building Specific Amortized Capital (BSAC). The final list of security countermeasures will be determined post-award, after which the Lessor shall submit a list of the itemized security countermeasure costs. Such costs shall be subject to negotiation.
- C. There shall be no charge to the Government for any items that already exist in the offered Building or facility.

1.08 AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVES (JUN 2012)

With respect to all matters relating to this RLP, only the Government's LCO designated below shall have the authority to amend the RLP and award a Lease. The Government shall have the right to substitute its LCO by notice, without an express delegation by the prior LCO.

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SECTION 2 ELIGIBILITY AND PREFERENCES FOR AWARD

2.01 SEISMIC SAFETY – MODERATE SEISMICITY (SEP 2012)

- A. The Government intends to award a Lease to an Offeror of a Building that is in compliance with the Seismic Standards. If an offer is received which is in compliance with the Seismic Standards and the other requirements of this RLP, then other offers which do not comply with the Seismic Standards will not be considered. If none of the offers is in compliance with the Seismic Standards, the LCO will make the award to the Offeror whose offer meets the other requirements of this RLP and provides the best value to the Government, taking into account price, seismic safety and any other award factors specified in this RLP.
- B. An offered Building will be considered to be in compliance with the Seismic Standards if it meets one of the following conditions:
 - The offer include a representation that the Building will have less than 10,000 ABOA SF of Space leased to the Federal Government upon commencement of the lease term (Seismic Form D).
 - 2. The offer includes a Seismic Certificate certifying that the Building is a Benchmark Building (Seismic Form A).
 - 3. The offer includes a Seismic Certificate based on a Tier I Evaluation showing that the Building meets the Seismic Standards (Seismic Form B). The submission must include the checklists and backup calculations from the Tier 1 Evaluation
 - 4. The offer includes a Seismic Certificate based on a Tier 2 or Tier 3 Evaluation showing that the Building complies with the Seismic Standards (Seismic Form B). If the certificate is based on a Tier 2 or Tier 3 Evaluation, the data, working papers, calculations and reports from the evaluation must be made available to the Government.
 - 5. The offer includes a commitment to retrofit the Building to satisfy all of the Basic Safety Objective requirements of ASCE/SEI 41 (Seismic Form C, Part 1). If the Offeror proposes to retrofit the Building, the offer must include a Tier 1 report with all supporting documents, a narrative explaining the process and scope of retrofit, and a schedule for the seismic retrofit. The Offeror shall provide a construction schedule, concept design for the seismic upgrade, and supporting documents for the retrofit, including structural calculations, drawings, specifications, and geotechnical report to the Government for review and approval prior to award. The documentation must demonstrate the seismic retrofit will meet the seismic standards and be completed within the time frame required.
 - 6. The offer includes a pre-award commitment to construct a new Building, using local building codes (Seismic Form C, Part 2).

- C. The LCO may allow an Offeror to submit a Seismic Certificate after the deadline for final proposal revisions. However, the LCO is not obligated to delay award in order to enable an Offeror to submit a Seismic Certificate.
- D. **Definitions.** For the purpose of this paragraph:
 - "ASCE/SEI 31" means the American Society of Civil Engineers standard, Seismic Evaluation of Existing Buildings. You can purchase ASCE/SEI from ASCE at (800) 548-2723 or by visiting HTTP://WWW.PUBS.ASCE.ORG.
 - "ASCE/SEI 41" means American Society of Civil Engineers standard, Seismic Rehabilitation of Existing Buildings. You can purchase ASCE/SEI from ASCE at (800) 548-2723 or by visiting <u>HTTP://www.pubs.asce.org</u>.
 - "Benchmark Building" means a building that was designed and built, or retrofitted, in accordance with the seismic provisions of the applicable codes specified in Section 1.3.1 of RP 8.
 - Engineer" means a professional engineer who is licensed in Civil or Structural Engineering and qualified in the structural design of buildings. They must be licensed in the state where the property is located.
 - "RP 8" means "Standards of Seismic Safety for Existing Federally Owned and Leased Buildings ICSSC Recommended Practice 8 (RP 8)," issued by the Interagency Committee on Seismic Safety in Construction as ICSSC RP 8 and the National Institute of Standards and Technology as NIST GCR 11-917-12. RP 8 can be obtained from https://www.wbbg.org/ccb/NIST/NIST_GCR11_917_12.PDF
 - "Seismic Certificate" means a certificate executed and stamped by an Engineer on the appropriate Certificate of Seismic Compliance form included with this RLP together with any required attachments.
 - "Seismic Standards" means the requirements of RP 8 Section 2.2 for Life Safety Performance Level in ASCE/SEI 31 or the Basic Safety Objective in ASCE/SEI 41, unless otherwise specified.
 - "Tier 1 Evaluation" means an evaluation by an Engineer in accordance with Chapters 2.0 and 3.0 of ASCE/SEI 31. A Tier
 1 Evaluation must include the appropriate Structural, Nonstructural and Geologic Site Hazards and Foundation Checklists.
 - "Tier 2 Evaluation" means an evaluation by an Engineer in accordance with Chapter 4.0 of ASCE/SEI 31.
 - "Tier 3 Evaluation" means an evaluation by an Engineer in accordance with Chapter 5.0 of ASCE/SEI 31.

2.02 SEISMIC SAFETY – HIGH SEISMICITY (SEP 2013)

- A. The Government intends to award a Lease to an Offeror of a Building that is in compliance with the Seismic Standards. If an offer is received which is in compliance with the Seismic Standards and the other requirements of this RLP, then other offers which do not comply with the Seismic Standards must not be considered. If none of the offers is in compliance with the Standards, the LCO will make the award to the Offeror whose offer meets the other requirements of this RLP and provides the best value to the Government, taking into account price, seismic safety and any other award factors specified in this RLP.
- B. An offered Building will be considered to be in compliance with the Seismic Standards if it meets one of the following conditions:
 - The offer includes a representation that the Premises will be in a one-story Building of steel light frame or wood construction with less than 3,000 ABOA SF of space in the Building (Seismic Form D).
 - 2. The offer includes a Seismic Certificate certifying that the Building is a Benchmark Building (Seismic Form A).
 - 3. The offer includes a Seismic Certificate based on a Tier I Evaluation showing that the Building meets the Seismic Standards (Seismic Form B). The submission must include the checklists and backup calculations from the Tier 1 Evaluation.
 - 4. The offer includes a Seismic Certificate based on a Tier 2 or Tier 3 Evaluation showing that the Building complies with the Seismic Standards (Seismic Form B). If the certificate is based on a Tier 2 or Tier 3 Evaluation, the data, working papers, calculations and reports from the evaluation must be made available to the Government.
 - The offer includes a commitment to retrofit the Building to satisfy all of the Basic Safety Objective requirements of ASCE/SEI 41 (Seismic Form C, Part 1). If the Offeror proposes to retrofit the Building, the offer must include a Tier 1 report with all supporting documents, a narrative explaining the process and scope of retrofit and a schedule for the seismic retrofit. The Offeror shall provide a construction schedule, concept design for the seismic upgrade and supporting documents for the retrofit, including structural calculations, drawings, specifications, and geotechnical report to the Government for review and approval prior to award. The documentation must demonstrate the seismic retrofit will meet the seismic standards and be completed within the time frame required.
 - 6. The offer includes a pre-award commitment to construct a new Building, using local building codes (Seismic Form C, Part 2).
- C. The LCO may allow an Offeror to submit a Seismic Certificate after the deadline for final proposal revisions. However, the LCO is not obligated to delay award in order to enable an Offeror to submit a Seismic Certificate.
- D. **Definitions.** For the purpose of this paragraph:

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 1 Evaluation must include the appropriate Structural, Nonstructural and Geologic Site Hazards and Foundation Checklists.
- "Tier 2 Evaluation" means an evaluation by an Engineer in accordance with Chapter 4.0 of ASCE/SEI 31.
- "Tier 3 Evaluation" means an evaluation by an Engineer in accordance with Chapter 5.0 of ASCE/SEI 31.

2.03 ASBESTOS (JUN 2012)

- A. Government requests space with no asbestos-containing materials (ACM), or with ACM in a stable, solid matrix (e.g., asbestos flooring or asbestos cement panels), which is not damaged or subject to damage by routine operations. For purposes of this paragraph, "space" includes the 1) space offered for lease; 2) common building area; 3) ventilation systems and zones serving the space offered; and 4) the area above suspended ceilings and engineering space in the same ventilation zone as the space offered. If no offers are received for such space, the Government may consider space with thermal system insulation ACM (e.g., wrapped pipe or boiler lagging), which is not damaged or subject to damage by routine operations.
- B. ACM is defined as any materials with a concentration of greater than 1 percent by dry weight of asbestos.
- C. Space with ACM of any type or condition may be upgraded by the Offeror to meet conditions described in sub-paragraph A by abatement (removal, enclosure, encapsulation, or repair) of ACM not meeting those conditions. If any offer involving abatement of ACM is accepted by the Government, the successful Offeror will be required to successfully complete the abatement in accordance with OSHA, EPA, Department of Transportation (DOT), state, and local regulations and guidance prior to occupancy.
- D. <u>Management Plan</u>. If space is offered which contains ACM, the Offeror shall submit an asbestos-related management plan for acceptance by the Government prior to lease award. This plan shall conform to EPA guidance.

2.04 ACCESSIBILITY (SEP 2013)

The Lease contemplated by this RLP contains requirements for Accessibility. In order to be eligible for award, Offeror must either:

- A. Verify in the Lease proposal that the Building, offered Space, and areas serving the offered Space meet the Lease accessibility requirements, or
- B. Include as a specific obligation in its Lease proposal that improvements to bring the Building, offered Space, and areas serving the offered Space into compliance with Lease accessibility requirements will be completed prior to acceptance of the Space.

2.05 FIRE PROTECTION AND LIFE SAFETY (SEP 2013)

The Lease contemplated by this RLP contains Building requirements for Means of Egress, Automatic Fire Sprinkler System, and Fire Alarm System. In order to be eligible for award, Offeror must either:

A. Verify in the Lease proposal that the Building in which Space is offered meets the Means of Egress, Automatic Fire Sprinkler System, and Fire Alarm System requirements of the Lease; or

B. Include as a specific obligation in its Lease proposal that improvements to bring the Building into compliance with Lease requirements will be completed prior to acceptance of the Space.

2.06 ENERGY INDEPENDENCE AND SECURITY ACT (SUCCEEDING) (SEP 2013)

- A. The Energy Independence and Security Act (EISA) establishes requirements for Government leases relating to energy efficiency standards and potential cost effective energy efficiency and conservation improvements.
- B. Unless one of the statutory exceptions listed in sub-paragraph C below applies, GSA may award a Lease for a Building only if the Building has earned the ENERGY STAR® label conferred by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) within the most recent year prior to the due date for final proposal revisions. The term "most recent year" means that the date of award of the ENERGY STAR® label by EPA must not be more than 1 year prior to the due date of final proposal revisions. For example, an ENERGY STAR® label awarded by EPA on October 1, 2010, is valid for all lease procurements where final proposal revisions are due on or before September 30, 2011. In lieu of the above, all new Buildings being specifically constructed for the Government must achieve an ENERGY STAR® label within 18 months after occupancy by the Government. In addition, Offerors of the following Buildings shall also have up to 18 months after occupancy by the Government, or as soon thereafter as the Building is eligible for Energy Star consideration, to achieve an Energy Star label: 1) All existing Buildings that have had an Energy Star label but are unable to obtain a label in the most recent year (i.e., within 12 months prior to the due date for final proposal revisions) because of insufficient occupancy; 2) Newly built Buildings that have used Energy Star's Target Finder tool and either achieved a "Designed to Earn the Energy Star" certification or received an unofficial score (in strict adherence to Target Finder's usage instructions, including the use of required energy modeling) of 75 or higher prior to the due date for final proposal revisions and who are unable to obtain a label in the most recent year because of insufficient occupancy; 3) An existing Building that is unable to obtain a label because of insufficient occupancy but that can produce an indication, through the use of energy modeling or past utility and occupancy data input into Energy Star's Portfolio Manager tool or Target Finder, that it can receive an unofficial score of 75 or higher using all other requirements of Target Finder or Portfolio Manager, except for actual data from the most recent year. ENERGY STAR tools and resources can be found at WWW.ENERGYSTAR.GOV.
- C. EISA allows a Federal agency to lease Space in a Building that does not have an ENERGY STAR® Label if:
- 1. No Space is offered in a Building with an ENERGY STAR® Label that meets RLP requirements, including locational needs;
- 2. The agency will remain in a Building it currently occupies;
- 3. The Lease will be in a Building of historical, architectural, or cultural significance listed or eligible to be listed on the National Register of Historic Places; or
- 4. The Lease is for 10,000 RSF or less.
- D. If one or more of the statutory exceptions applies, and the offered Space is not in a Building that has earned the ENERGY STAR® Label within one year prior to the due date for final proposal revisions, Offerors are required to include in their Lease proposal an agreement to renovate the Building for all energy efficiency and conservation improvements that it has determined would be cost effective over the Firm Term of the Lease, if any, prior to acceptance of the Space (or not later than one year after the Lease Award Date of a succeeding or superseding Lease). Such improvements may consist of, but are not limited to, the following:
- 1. Heating, Ventilating, and Air Conditioning (HVAC) upgrades, including boilers, chillers, and Building Automation System (BAS) /Monitoring/Control System (EMCS).
- 2. Lighting Improvements. See Lease paragraph "Lighting: Interior and Parking Shell (Succeeding)" for required specifications. Existing lighting systems must be upgraded to meet required specification unless Offeror can demonstrate, using the Building Upgrade Value Calculator discussed below, that modifications to meet the lighting specifications are not cost effective over the Firm Term of the Lease.
- 3. Building Envelope Modifications.

Note: Additional information can be found on http://www.gsa.gov/leasing under "Green Leasing."

- E. The term "cost effective" means an improvement that will result in substantial operational cost savings to the landlord by reducing electricity or fossil fuel consumption, water, or other utility costs. The term "operational cost savings" means a reduction in operational costs to the landlord through the application of Building improvements that achieve cost savings over the Firm Term of the Lease sufficient to pay the incremental additional costs of making the Building improvements.
- F. Instructions for obtaining an ENERGY STAR® Label are provided at http://www.energystar.gov/eslabel (use "Portfolio Manager" to apply). ENERGY STAR® tools and resources can be found at www.energystar.gov. The ENERGY STAR® Building Upgrade Manual (http://www.energystar.gov/) and Building Upgrade Value Calculator (http://www.energystar.gov/financial evaluation) are tools which can be useful in considering energy efficiency and conservation improvements to Buildings.
- G. If one or more of the statutory exceptions applies, and the offered Space is not in a Building that has earned the ENERGY STAR® Label within one year prior to the due date for final proposal revisions, the successful Offeror will be excused from performing any agreed-to energy efficiency and conservation renovations if it obtains the Energy Star Label prior to the

Government's acceptance of the Space (or not later than one year after the Lease Award Date for succeeding and superseding leases).

- H. If no improvements are proposed, the Offeror must demonstrate to the Government using the ENERGY STAR® Online Tools why no energy efficiency and conservation improvements are cost effective. If such explanation is unreasonable, the offer may be rejected.
- I. All new Buildings being specifically constructed for the Government must achieve the ENERGY STAR® Label within 18 months after occupancy by the Government.

2.07 DUE DILIGENCE AND NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT REQUIREMENTS - RLP (SEP 2014)

A. Environmental Due Diligence

- 1. At the direction of the LCO, the Offeror must provide, at the Offeror's sole cost and expense, a current Phase I Environmental Site Assessment (ESA), using the American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) Standard E1527-13 and timeline, as such standard may be revised from time to time. In accordance with ASTM standards, the study must be performed by an environmental professional with qualifications that meet ASTM standards. This Phase I ESA must be prepared with a focus on the Government being the "user" of the Phase I, as the term "user" is defined in E1527-13. Failure to submit the required study may result in dismissal from consideration.
- 2. If the Phase I ESA identifies any recognized environmental conditions (RECs), the Offeror will be responsible for addressing such RECs, at its sole cost and expense, including performing any necessary Phase II ESA (using ASTM Standard E1903-11), performing any necessary cleanup actions in accordance with federal and state standards and requirements and submitting a proposed schedule for complying with these obligations. The Government will evaluate whether the nature of any of the RECs, the results of the Phase II, any completed cleanup, and the proposed schedule meet the Government's needs.

B. National Environmental Policy Act

- 1. While the Offeror is responsible for performing all environmental due diligence studies of the offered Property, the Government is responsible for compliance with NEPA, whether in whole or in part, on its own or with the assistance of the Offerors. NEPA requires federal agencies to consider the effects of their actions on the quality of the human environment as part of the federal decision making process and, to that end, the Government's obligations may, and in some cases will, be augmented by the Offerors as described in greater detail in the RLP.
- 2. The Government may either request information from the Offerors to help it meet its obligations under NEPA or share information provided in response to this provision with federal, state and local regulatory agencies as part of its compliance responsibilities under NEPA and other applicable federal, state and local environmental laws and regulations. Further consultation with these regulatory agencies may be necessary as part of the NEPA process.
- 3. The Offerors are advised that the Government may be required to release the location of each offered site and other building specific information in public hearings or in public NEPA documents. By submitting an offer in response to this RLP and without the need for any further documentation, the Offeror acknowledges and consents to such release.
- 4. The Government reserves the right to reject any offer where (i) the NEPA-related documentation provided by the Offeror for the offered Property is inadequate, (ii) the offer entails unacceptably adverse impacts on the human environment, (iii) the identified adverse impacts cannot be readily mitigated, or (iv) the level of NEPA analysis is more extensive than is acceptable to the Government (e.g., offers must be of a nature that would allow NEPA to be satisfied by preparation of a Categorical Exclusion (CATEX) NEPA study or an Environmental Assessment (EA) with or without mandatory mitigation).
- 5. An Offeror must allow the Government access to the offered Property to conduct studies in furtherance of NEPA compliance. This requires research and field surveys to assess the potential impacts to the natural, social and cultural environments. Any recent studies previously conducted by the Offeror may be submitted to be included in the NEPA process.
- 6. The Government will not proceed with Lease award until the NEPA process is complete as evidenced by the Government's issuance of a completed CATEX, EA or Environmental Impact Statement. Upon Lease award, any mitigation measures, whether optional or mandatory, identified and adopted by the Government will become Lease obligations. All costs and expenses for development of design alternatives, mitigation measures and review submittals for work to be performed under the Lease will be the sole responsibility of Lessor.

2.08 NATIONAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION ACT REQUIREMENTS - RLP (SEP 2014)

A. The Government is responsible for complying with section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, 16 U.S.C. § 470f (Section 106). Section 106 requires federal agencies to consider the effects of their actions on historic properties prior to expending any federal funds on the undertaking. The Government is responsible for identifying whether any historic properties exist in, on, under, or near the offered Property that could be affected by the leasing action. Historic properties include both above-grade (*i.e.*, buildings and historic districts) and below-grade

(i.e., archeological sites) resources. The Government is responsible for assessing effects to identified historic properties and for consulting with the State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO), the Tribal Historic Preservation Officer (THPO), if applicable, any

local Historic Preservation or Landmarks Commission, and other interested parties, if applicable, in accordance with the implementing regulations set forth at 36 C.F.R. part 800 (Protection of Historic Properties).

- B. An Offeror must allow the Government access to the offered Property to conduct studies in furtherance of the Section 106 compliance. This requires research and field surveys to assess the potential presence of historic properties that may be affected by construction activity, both above- and below-grade. Compliance also may require below-grade testing to determine the presence of archeological resources and possible artifact recovery, recordation and interpretation mitigation measures.
- C. Demolition or destruction of a historic property by an Offeror in anticipation of an award of a Government lease may disqualify the Offeror from further consideration.
- D. The Government reserves the right to reject any offer where documentation for the offered Property is inadequate or otherwise indicates preservation concerns or adverse effects to historic properties that cannot be reasonably mitigated.
- If the Government determines that the leasing action could affect historic property, the Offeror of any Property that the Government determines could affect historic property will be required to retain, at its sole cost and expense, the services of a preservation architect who meets or exceeds the Secretary of the Interior's Professional Qualifications Standards for Historic Architecture, as amended and annotated and previously published in the Code of Federal Regulations, 36 C.F.R. part 61, and the for Preservation Qualifications Standards Architects. These standards are available HTTP://WWW.GSA.GOV/HISTORICPRESERVATION>Project Management Tools> Qualification Requirements for Preservation Architects. The preservation architect will be responsible for developing preservation design solutions and project documentation required for review by the Government, the SHPO, the THPO, if applicable, and other consulting parties in accordance with Section 106. For Tenant Improvements and other tenant-driven alterations within an existing historic building, the preservation architect must develop context-sensitive design options consistent with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties. Where new construction or exterior alterations, or both, are located within a historic district, may be visible from historic properties or may affect archeological resources, compliance may require tailoring the design of the improvements to be compatible with the surrounding area. Design review may require multiple revised submissions, depending on the complexity of the project and potential for adverse effects to historic properties, to respond to comments from the Government and the other consulting parties. Within GSA, the Regional Historic Preservation Officer is solely responsible for corresponding with the SHPO, the THPO, if applicable, and any other consulting party. All design costs and expenses relating to satisfying the requirements of this paragraph will be borne solely by the Offeror.

SECTION 3 HOW TO OFFER

3.01 GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS (JUN 2012)

Offeror shall prepare a complete offer, using the forms provided with this RLP, and submit the completed Lease proposal package to the Government as indicated below.

3.02 RECEIPT OF LEASE PROPOSALS (SEP 2013)

- A. Offeror is authorized to transmit its Lease proposal as an attachment to an email. Offeror's email shall include the name, address and telephone number of the Offeror, and identify the name and title of the individual signing on behalf of the Offeror. Offeror's signed lease proposal must be saved in a generally accessible format (such as portable document format (pdf)), which displays a visible image of all original document signatures, and must be transmitted as an attachment to the email. Only emails transmitted to, and received at, the GSA email address identified in the RLP will be accepted. Offeror submitting a lease proposal by email shall retain in its possession, and make available upon GSA's request, its original signed proposal. Offeror choosing not to submit its proposal via email may still submit its lease proposal by United States mail or other express delivery service of Offeror's choosing.
- B. In order to be considered for award, offers conforming to the requirements of the RLP shall be received in one of the following ways:

Lease Proposal Package

No later than [1600] [CST] on the following date at the following designated office and address:

Date: 08 June 2015

Office: NCO 17, Contracting Office

Address: 2002 Scott BLVD, Temple, TX 76504

** Utilize shipping that provides services for monitoring receipt such as track and confirm, proof of delivery, signature confirmation, or return receipt.

Request for Information

No later than [1600] [CST] on the following date at the following address:

Date: 24 May 2015

Office: NCO 17, Contracting Office Address: 2002 Scott BLVD, Temple, TX 76504

Or electronic mail address: STEVEN.MOYA@VA.GOV

- C. Offers sent by United States mail or hand delivered (including delivery by commercial carrier) shall be deemed late if delivered to the address of the office designated for receipt of offers after the date and time established for receipt of offers.
- D. Offers transmitted through email shall be deemed late if received at the designated email address after the date and time established for receipt of offers unless it was received at the initial point of entry to the Government infrastructure not later than 5:00 p.m. one Working Day prior to the date specified for receipt of proposals.
- E. Offers delivered through any means authorized by the RLP may be also deemed timely if there is acceptable evidence to establish that it was received at the Government installation designated for receipt of proposals and was under the Government's control prior to the time set for receipt of proposals; or if it was the only proposal received.
- F. There will be no public opening of offers, and all offers will be confidential until the Lease has been awarded. However, the Government may release proposals outside the Government such as to support contractors to assist in the evaluation of offers. Such Government contractors shall be required to protect the data from unauthorized disclosure.

3.03 PRICING TERMS (SUCCEEDING) (SEP 2013)

Offeror shall provide the following pricing information with its offer:

- A. GSA Form 1364-S, Proposal to Lease Space. Complete all sections of the 1364-S, including, but not limited to:
 - 1. A fully serviced Lease rate (gross rate) per ABOA and RSF, clearly itemizing the total Building shell rental, TI rate, Building Specific Amortized Capital (BSAC) rate, operating costs, and parking (itemizing all costs of parking above base local code requirements or otherwise already included in shell rent).
 - Improvements. All improvements in the base Building, lobbies, common areas, and core areas shall be provided by the Lessor, at the Lessor's expense. This Building shell rental rate shall also include, but is not limited to, property financing

(exclusive of TIs and BSAC), insurance, taxes, management, profit, etc., for the Building. The Building shell rental rate shall also include all basic Building systems and common area buildout, including base Building lobbies, common areas, core areas, etc., exclusive of the ABOA Space offered as required in this RLP.

3. The annual cost per ABOA and rentable square foot (RSF) for the cost of services and utilities.

This equals line 27 of GSA Form 1217, Lessor's Annual Cost Statement, divided by the Building size (shown on the top of both GSA Form 1364-S, Proposal to Lease Space, and Form 1217) for ABOA and RSF, respectively.

- 4. The annual rental rate per ABOA and RSF to amortize Tenant Improvements. This shall be all alterations as described and defined in the RLP and Lease for the Space above the Building shell and BSAC build-out. Such amortization shall be expressed as a rate per ABOA and RSF per year
- 5. The annual rent to amortize the Building Specific Amortized Capital (BSAC) costs, if any. Such amortization shall be expressed as a rate per ABOA and RSF per year. Refer to the security requirements attached to the Lease.
- A fully serviced Lease rate per ABOA and RSF for that portion of the lease term extending beyond the Firm Term. The rate proposed for this portion of the term shall not reflect any TIs or BSAC as they will have been fully amortized over the Firm Term.
- 7. An hourly overtime rate for overtime use of heating and cooling, and annual rate for areas requiring 24/7 HVAC. **Note:** Refer to the Lease document for additional guidance.
- 8. Adjustment for Vacant Leased Premises. Note: Refer to the Lease document for additional guidance.
- 9. Rent concessions being offered either on the GSA Form 1364-S Proposal to Lease Space or in separate correspondence.
- B. Completed form 1217 Lessor's Annual Cost Statement. Compensation (expressed as either % or \$) to Offeror's broker and/or representative arising from an agreement between the Offeror and the Offeror's representative, agent(s), broker(s), property manager, developer, employee, or any other agent or representative in connection with the Lease contemplated herein shall be entered in block 31(a), and if GSA is using a Tenant Representative Broker, compensation (expressed as either % or \$) to GSA's Broker reflecting the agreement between Offeror and GSA's Broker, shall be entered in block 31(b).

3.04 ADDITIONAL SUBMITTALS (SUCCEEDING) (SEP 2014)

Offeror shall also submit with its offer the following:

- A. GSA Form 3518, Representations and Certifications. Note: This information applies to the status of the Ownership entity and not the authorized representative completing the form.
- B. Evidence of ownership or control of Building.
- C. The Offeror must have an active registration in the Central Contractor Registration (CCR) database, now the System for Award Management (SAM), via the Internet at https://www.acquisition.gov, prior to final proposal revisions. This registration service is free of charge.
- D. The Offeror must submit the Fire Protection and Life Safety (FPLS) Information in D.1, unless the Building meets either exemption in D.2 or D.3 below.
 - 1. FPLS Submittal Information
 - a. Completed GSA Form 12000, Prelease Fire Protection and Life Safety Evaluation for an Office Building (Part A or Part B, as applicable).
 - b. A copy of the previous year's fire alarm system maintenance record showing compliance with the requirements in NFPA 72 (if a system is installed in the Building).
 - A copy of the previous year's automatic fire sprinkler system maintenance record showing compliance with the requirements in NFPA 25 (if a system is installed in the Building).
 - d. A valid Building Certificate of Occupancy (C of O) issued by the local jurisdiction. If the Building C of O is not available or the local jurisdiction does not issue a Building C of O, a report prepared by a licensed fire protection engineer with their assessment of the offered Space regarding compliance with all applicable local Fire Protection and Life Safety-related codes and ordinances must be provided.
 - 2. If the Space offered is 10,000 RSF or less in area and is located on the 1st floor of the Building, Offeror is not required to submit to GSA the Fire Protection and Life Safety (FPLS) Submittal Information listed in D.1 above.
 - 3. If the Offeror provides a Building C of O obtained under any edition of the IBC, and the offered Space meets or will meet all the requirements of the Lease with regard to Means of Egress, Automatic Fire Sprinkler System, and Fire Alarm System prior to occupancy, then the Offeror is not required to submit to GSA the FPLS Submittal Information listed in D.1.a through D.1.d above.

- E. The legal description of the Property and tax ID number associated with the Property, copies of prior year tax notices and prior year tax bills, as well as any other information (such as a fact sheet, 5" wide x 3" high or larger color photograph, site plan, location map, and tax parcel map) in case of multiple tax parcels for an offered Building, and any other information that may affect the assessed value, in order for the Government to perform a complete and adequate analysis of the offered Property. The Offeror is to provide a detailed overview and documentation of any Tax Abatements on the Property as outlined in the "Real Estate Tax Adjustment" paragraph of the Lease.
- F. An asbestos management plan, if the offered Building contains asbestos-containing materials.
- G. First generation plans scaled at a minimum of 1/8" = 1'-0" (preferred) shall be submitted for review and consideration and meet G.1 through G.5 noted below.
 - All plans submitted for consideration shall include floor plan(s) for which Space is being offered and floor plan(s) of the
 floor(s) of exit discharge (e.g., street level(s)). Each plan submitted shall_include the locations of all exit stairs, elevators,
 and the Space(s) being offered to the Government. In addition, where Building exit stairs are interrupted or discontinued
 before the level of exit discharge, additional floor plans for the level(s) where exit stairs are interrupted or discontinued
 must also be provided.
 - 2. All plans submitted for consideration shall have been generated by a Computer Aided Design (CAD) program which is compatible with the latest release of AutoCAD. The required file extension is .DWG. Clean and purged files shall be submitted on CD-ROM. Plans shall include a proposed corridor pattern for typical floors and/or partial floors. The CAD file showing the offered Space should show the Poly-Line utilized to determine the square footage on a separate and unique layer. All submissions shall be accompanied with a written matrix indicating the layering standard to verify that all information is recoverable. All architectural features of the Space shall be accurately shown.
 - Photostatic copies are not acceptable. All architectural features of the Space shall be accurately shown. If conversion or renovation of the Building is planned, alterations to meet this RLP shall be indicated.
 - Plans shall reflect corridors in place or the proposed corridor pattern for both a typical full (single-tenant) floor and/or
 partial (multi-tenant) floor. The corridors in place or proposed corridors shall meet local code requirements for issuance of
 occupancy permits.
 - 5. GSA will review all plans submitted to determine if an acceptable level of safety is provided. In addition, GSA will review the common corridors in place and/or proposed corridor pattern to determine whether these achieve an acceptable level of safety as well as to verify that the corridors provide public access to all essential Building elements. The Offeror will be advised of any adjustments that are required to the corridors for determining the ABOA Space. The required corridors may or may not be defined by ceiling-high partitions. Actual corridors in the approved layout for the successful Offeror's Space may differ from the corridors used in determining the ABOA square footage for the lease award. Additional egress corridors required by the tenant agency's layout will not be deducted from the ABOA square footage that the most efficient corridor pattern would have yielded.
- H. As provided in the "Amount and Type of Space, Lease Term, and Occupancy Date (Succeeding)" paragraph in the RLP, advise whether there are existing vending facilities in the offered Building which have exclusive rights in the Building.
- I. No later than the due date for final proposal revisions, the Offeror must submit to the LCO:
 - 1. Evidence of an Energy Star® label obtained within the 12 months prior to the due date of final proposal revisions,
 - 2. Offerors falling under a statutory exception must also indicate by the due date for final proposal revisions what cost effective energy efficiency and conservation improvements they are proposing to make.
 - 3. If no cost-effective improvements can be made, the Offeror must demonstrate to the Government using the ENERGY STAR® Online Tools referenced in the RLP paragraph, entitled "ENERGY INDEPENDENCE AND SECURITY ACT," why no energy efficiency and conservation improvements are cost effective. This explanation will be subject to review by the LCO. If the explanation is considered unreasonable, the offer may be considered technically unacceptable.
 - 4. If the Offeror is claiming eligibility for additional time to obtain the Energy Star® label per sub-paragraph B of the RLP paragraph entitled "Energy Independence and Security Act," then the Offeror shall provide such indication with its initial offer and also must provide by the due date for final proposal revisions evidence substantiating their claim for additional time to obtain the Energy Star® label and substantiating their capability of earning the Energy Star®.
- J. Evidence of seismic safety compliance as required in Section 2 of this RLP.
- K. Information required under paragraph entitled "NATIONAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION ACT REQUIREMENTS RLP."
- L. If the Offeror requests any deviations, all deviations must be documented on Form 1364-S in block labeled "Additional Remarks or Conditions with Respect to this Offer." GSA at its sole discretion will make the decision whether or not to accept the deviation. Any deviations must be requested prior to the request for final proposal revisions. If the Offeror requests any deviations, GSA at its sole discretion will make the decision whether to accept the deviation.

3.05 TENANT IMPROVEMENTS INCLUDED IN OFFER (SUCCEEDING) (APR 2011)

The TIs for this requirement shall consist of the following:

☐ Repainting of the leased Premises in accordance with the "Painting — TI" paragraph in Section 5 of the Lease.
☑ Re-carpeting of the leased Premises in accordance with the "Floor Coverings and Perimeters (Succeeding)" paragraph in Section 5 of the Lease.
☐ Other—See attached Scope of Work.

All TIs required by the Government for occupancy shall be performed by the successful Offeror as part of the rental consideration, and all improvements shall meet the quality standards and requirements of this RLP package and its attachments.

3.06 UTILITIES SEPARATE FROM RENTAL / BUILDING OPERATING PLAN (JUN 2012)

The Offeror shall specify which utilities, if any, are excluded from the rental consideration. If any such utilities are excluded, the Offeror shall obtain a statement from a registered professional engineer stating that all HVAC, plumbing, and other energy intensive Building systems can operate under the control conditions stated in the Lease. The statement shall also identify all Building systems that do not conform to the system performance values, including the "recommended" or "suggested" values of ANSI/ASHRAE Standard 90.1, "Energy Efficient Design of New Buildings Except Low Rise Residential Buildings," or more restrictive state and local codes.

The Offeror shall submit a building operating plan with the offer. Such plan shall include a schedule of startup and shutdown times for operation of each Building system, such as lighting, HVAC, and plumbing. Such plan shall be in effect on the Lease Term Commencement Date.

3.07 SECURITY IMPROVEMENTS INCLUDED IN OFFER (SUCCEEDING) (SEP 2013)

- A. The Building Specific Amortized Capital (BSAC) amount is **\$25.00** per ABOA SF. The BSAC shall be used for the build-out of security-related improvements in the Building. All security countermeasures required by the Government for occupancy shall be performed by the successful Offeror as part of the rental consideration, and all improvements shall meet the quality standards and requirements of this RLP package and its attachments.
- B. The BSAC shall include all the Offeror's administrative costs, general contractor fees, subcontractor's profit and overhead costs, Offeror's profit and overhead, design costs, and other associated project fees necessary to prepare construction documents and to complete the security countermeasures. It is the successful Offeror's responsibility to prepare all documentation (working/construction drawings, etc.) required to receive construction permits. No costs associated with the building shell or TI shall be included in the BSAC pricing.

SECTION 4 METHOD OF AWARD

4.01 NEGOTIATIONS (SUCCEEDING) (JUN 2012)

Negotiations may be conducted on behalf of the Government by the GSA LCO or designated representative. When negotiations are conducted, GSA will negotiate the rental price for the initial term, any renewal periods, and any other aspect of the offer as deemed necessary. The Offeror shall not enter into negotiations concerning the Space leased or to be leased with representatives of federal agencies other than the LCO or their designee.

4.02 AWARD (SEP 2013)

- A. To document the agreement between the parties, the successful Offeror and the GSA LCO will execute a Lease prepared by GSA, which incorporates the agreement of the parties. The Lease shall consist of the following:
 - 1. Lease No. VA257-14-L0054 and any associated Lease amendments.
 - 2. GSA Form 3517B, General Clauses.
 - 3. GSA Form 3518, Representations and Certifications for Acquisitions of Leasehold Interests in Real Property.
 - 4. The pertinent provisions of the offer.
 - 5. Floor plans of the offered Space.
- B. The acceptance of the offer and award of the Lease by the Government occurs upon execution of the Lease by the LCO and mailing or otherwise furnishing written notification of the executed Lease to the successful Offeror.

SECTION 5 ADDITIONAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- A. Two (2) sets of keys for every lock (interior & exterior) shall be presented to the Government upon acceptance of space.
- B. Lessor to provide most current HVAC load test. If a build out is to occur a plan of action addressing circulation patterns and HVAC system specifications shall be presented for review and analysis.
- C. The Government will utilize the lessors work order system in place for work requests. For work, not covered under the lease the Government shall utilize a bilaterally signed Supplemental Lease Agreement (SLA). Under no circumstances shall the lessor perform work outside the scope of this lease without written approval from LCO or authorized Government contracting official.
 - 1. Once a project is identified by the LCO or authorized Government contracting official the lessor shall make every effort to solicit at least two (2) sources and presenting the quote(s) to LCO.
 - 2. Any work or ordering shall not start until a SLA is bilaterally executed.
 - 3. The lessor shall be responsible for quality assurance and quality control of all works performed.
 - 4. All warranty documents, product literature, manuals and packaging shall be presented to the Government contracting official.

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