

Contractor Questions Correct Electrical Deficiencies Load Study

- 1) It was stated that all circuit breakers under 250A would not require testing, is this correct? **No.** The revised SOW of March 7, 2016, Item F. Circuit breakers with a rating of 250A and higher shall be tested using Primary Injection. Are we only testing the Switches that are 250A and above? **No.** The revised SOW goes on to say all other distribution breakers shall be tested using Secondary Injection where applicable. This means that on distribution breakers less than 250V that have the accommodations (digital input) they shall be tested using secondary injection.
- 2) It was addressed for timeline/scheduling purposes consistency all contractors should use the proposed starting date for site construction of June 6, 2016. Is this correct? **Construct a schedule using June 6, 2016 as the hypothetical starting date of the project. In actuality, the term of the contract may go out for up to a year to accommodate heating/cooling seasons and shutdowns.**
- 3) Can you provide the name and contact information for the company that has been performing the inspection and maintenance on the generators?
Yearly inspections and maintenance for the emergency generators have been conducted by Cummins NPower. Bruce Thompson at 651-286-2047
- 4) The SF1442 form, 13b, indicates that an offer guarantee is not required. On page 03 of the solicitation, it indicates that bid bonds shall be submitted in original hard copy paper form, in the same package in which the proposal CD/DVD disk is submitted.
Box 13b should be marked is (Yes an offer guarantee is required)
- 5) Instructions for Submission of Offers and Bid Bonds VA263-16-R-0213
Complete proposals shall be submitted in a sealed envelope, saved in any format on a CD/DVD disk that can be opened using either Microsoft Office 2010 or Adobe Acrobat version 9 along with 2 paper copies to include original bid bonds submitted in hard copy paper form, in the same package as the proposal.
All proposals shall be submitted in sealed envelopes or cartons, clearly addressed to:

**Department Of Veterans Affairs
ATTN: Richard Digatono, Contract Specialist
VA263-16-R-0094 Carpet Bldg. 48 First Floor
708 S. 3rd Street Suite 200E
Minneapolis, MN 55415**
- 6) For the updating of the one lines, is the VA supplying the cad files for the contractor to update these drawings? **Yes, after award.**
- 7) I am assuming all the drawings that were sent with RFQ are the only needing updating? **Not necessarily. The solicitation clearly states to "Update entire facility electrical one-line". There may be a few pages to update that weren't included. In addition, the solicitation states to "Update Campus 'colored riser 'drawings". These are six pages of floor plans that are color codes for risers.**

- 8) Contractor would verify drawings during the outage work while performing the scheduled testing correct? **Not necessarily. The contractor could verify drawings during regular hours as well where an electrical shutdown is not required.**
- 9) Do you want the Price Proposal submitted separately from the Technical? If so, do you want the Price on a completely separate CD or can all documents be submitted on a single CD, but with two separate files on it (1 for Price and 1 for Technical)? **Single CD separate files for technical and pricing.**