

January 31, 2017

**REQUEST FOR INFORMATION****RE: MIAMI VA MEDICAL CENTER, MIAMI, FL  
SITE PREP FOR PET/CT INSTALLATION****Project No.: 546-CSI-113****From: DAVID NOVACK****REQUEST FOR INFORMATION**

ITEM NO.	RFI FROM	DATE RECEIVED BY AE	QUESTION	RESPONSE BY	RESPONSE
1	CPS, Inc.	1/17/2017	1. Is there any asbestos, lead paint or any other hazardous materials in the work area?	TMM	Yes. Refer to Specifications Section 02 82 11 – Traditional Asbestos Abatement. Also, refer to Asbestos Survey, Lead-Containing Paint Survey, and Asbestos Abatement Drawing included in Addendum.

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2	CPS, Inc.	1/17/2017	2. There are no structural drawings in the package (a typical PET CT Gantry weighs in excess of 7000 lbs.) Depending on the equipment vendor selected there will need to be several core holes drilled in the floor. As well drawing A101 shows a ceiling mounted injector. Will structural drawings be supplied?	TMM	<p>In accordance with the AE Scope of Work, the structure was analyzed utilizing the Siemens Biograph mCT.X 128 as the design basis. Any deviations from the exact information indicated in the Siemens documents will require additional structural analysis and potential reinforcement that is not included in the Scope of Work.</p> <p>The preliminary Siemens Drawings are dated 03/09/15. It is understood that this information is not considered final and that other vendors may propose other comparable systems in the future for consideration by the VA.</p> <p>Based upon TMM' structural engineer's analysis, no structural reinforcement is required. Refer to Drawing AD101R, which is included in this Addendum, for specific information regarding floor coring and Gantry locations.</p>
3	CPS, Inc.	1/17/2017	3. Drawing AD102 note 1 states "Remove existing construction as needed to install new work." Are there any drawings that show the type of construction used to build the hard ceiling that is above the existing acoustical tile ceiling?	TMM	Refer to revised Drawing AD102 issued with Addendum.

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4	CPS, Inc.	1/17/2017	4. Drawing A101 on the Floor Plan there appears to be several locations where the lead shielding will be needed but is not depicted on the drawings. Is the lead shielding as depicted in the drawings accurate in each room as drawn? Is there a Physicist report? It is not clear based on the floor plan and door schedule that have leaded doors and no lead in walls.	TMM	See revised Drawing A101 and Radiation Shielding Calculations Report issued by Addendum to clarify shielding locations. Also refer to Specifications, Section 13 49 00, Paragraph 3.3 for relevant information.

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5	CPS, Inc.	1/17/2017	5. Drawing A601 shows 5/8" Drywall Lead Lined with 1/16" lead. Will 1/16" rolled lead applied directly to the studs with 5/8" drywall applied on top of the lead be acceptable?	TMM	<p>Based on the VA's experience, its Master Specification, Section 13 49 00 – RADIATION PROTECTION, does not include a provision for general use of separate lead sheet for walls finished with gypsum wallboard. As such, bidders should include lead-lined gypsum wallboard in their proposals as specified.</p> <p>It should be noted that the Radiation Shielding Calculations Report prepared by Radiation Consulting Associates, Inc. (Revised 09/18/15) does not distinguish between lead sheet and lined gypsum wallboard. The Government may consider a substitution if the successful bidder can demonstrate a benefit to the Government.</p> <p>A copy of the Radiation Shield Calculations Report is included with this Addendum.</p>
6	CPS, Inc.	1/17/2017	6. Door schedule hardware type "2 J" for door D311B. Hardware schedule does not have hardware "2 J" listed please advise?	TMM	Refer to Hardware Set 2J included in Addendum.

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7	CPS, Inc.	1/17/2017	7. Existing Room C301C has an existing lowered ceiling along the back wall with sprinkler heads in it. Are there any plans depicting what is in that chase/lowered area?	TMM	Refer to Drawings FD101, MD101 for information regarding existing piping and ductwork installed above gypsum board ceiling/bulkhead. Contractor shall assume that indicated sprinkler heads are connected to sprinkler piping. Also, refer to asbestos abatement drawing included in Addendum.
8	CPS, Inc.	1/17/2017	8. It was stated during the walk-through that "the contractor will be responsible for the delivery of the new equipment." Does this mean that the contractor is responsible for the work required on the delivery route and any required shoring or demolition and rebuilding required for delivery of the equipment?	VA	No, the equipment manufacturer will provide that function.
9	CPS, Inc.	1/17/2017	9. Is the contractor responsible for rigging the equipment?	VA	No, the equipment manufacturer will provide that function.
10	CPS, Inc.	1/17/2017	10. Are the elevators up to the floor rated for weight in excess 5000 lbs and are they at least 8'6" deep?	VA	No, the service elevators are only rated at 4,000 lbs. and depth is 7'-7".

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11	CPS, Inc.	1/17/2017	11. It is apparent that some of the plans provided are based on Siemens equipment. However multiple required conduit runs for Siemens or GE are not depicted in the current drawings. Will the drawings be revised upon selection of an equipment vendor?	TMM	Based upon the Preliminary Siemens Drawings which were used as the design basis, conduits to be provided by the Contractor are indicated in the Bid Documents. It is possible that the requirements for conduits will be modified by the Final Design Documents developed by the successful PET/CT equipment vendor.
12	Hernandez Consulting & Construction	1/20/2017	1. Is this project sales tax exempt? If the project is sales tax exempt can the government provide a sales tax exemption certificate?	VA	No
13	Hernandez Consulting & Construction	1/20/2017	2. Must the original bid bond be received in-hand prior to the bid due date/time?	VA	No. RFP says submit under Tab A General Information Offer Guarantee Bond. It also says a scanned copy of the original is acceptable with the original sent by mail.
14	Hernandez Consulting & Construction	1/20/2017	3. Should the Technical Proposal and Price Proposal be in separate electronic files?	VA	Yes. RFP states A. TECHNICAL PROPOSAL – Technical Proposal shall be submitted <u>separately</u> from the price proposal of the solicitation requirements identified. Do not combine the technical and price proposal together.
15	Hernandez Consulting & Construction	1/20/2017	4. Should we submit a Past Safety Record (with OSHA 300s & DART) with the EMR Rating?	VA	Follow instructions on attachment 1 EMR FORM

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16	Hernandez Consulting & Construction	1/20/2017	5. Will the Government provide comprehensive written badging requirements for the project if badging is required?	VA	Yes
17	Hernandez Consulting & Construction	1/20/2017	6. Where will the designated parking area be for workers accessing the construction site?	VA	Yes
18	Hernandez Consulting & Construction	1/20/2017	7. Will the fire sprinkler system and/or the fire alarm system need to be disrupted during construction? If yes, what if any additional security measures will the government require e.g. fire watch, temporary fire alarms, adjustments to sprinkler heads, etc.	TMM	Yes. Refer to Specifications including Sections 01 00 00 - GENERAL REQUIREMENTS, 01 35 26 – SAFETY REQUIREMENTS, 21 13 13 – WET-PIPE SPRINKLER SYSTEMS, and the Drawings for additional information. Fire alarm test will be done on a Saturday at 9:00 a.m. No other test required. VA Police will provide security for doors.
19	Hernandez Consulting & Construction	1/20/2017	8. Does the Government have a fire alarm servicer that they currently work with? What is the name and contact information of the person or persons that will need to be coordinated with for security and fire alarm and suppression systems work and/or disruptions?	VA	Simplex Grinnell (Tyco). POC Information on website.

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20	Hernandez Consulting & Construction	1/20/2017	9. Has an asbestos and lead paint survey been done for the area? Please provide if so.	TMM	Yes. Refer to Specifications Section 02 82 11 – Traditional Asbestos Abatement. Also, refer to Asbestos Survey, Lead-Containing Paint Survey, and Asbestos Abatement Drawing included in Addendum.
21	Hernandez Consulting & Construction	1/20/2017	10. What is the Governments' policy if asbestos products are encountered during construction?	TMM	Refer to response to Items No. 1 and 20.
22	Hernandez Consulting & Construction	1/20/2017	11. Does the Government currently have a 3rd party testing service for those items requiring testing or is the contractor free to locate and hire applicable testing firms?	VA	Simplex Grinnell (Tyco). POC Information on website.
23	Hernandez Consulting & Construction	1/20/2017	12. What is the style, size and color of the accent tile on the restroom walls on page #A451?	TMM	Refer to Drawing A101, Room Finish Schedule.
24	Hernandez Consulting & Construction	1/20/2017	13. What is the style, size and color of the carpet for the reading room?	TMM	Refer to revised Drawing A101, Room Finish Schedule included in Addendum.
25	Hernandez Consulting & Construction	1/20/2017	14. Are there any special structural capacity issues we need to consider for the equipment in the space?	TMM	See response to Item No. 2.



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26	Hernandez Consulting & Construction	1/20/2017	15. Can VA provide weight and size details of the equipment? And a POC for the equipment manufacturer	VA	Yes, we will provide the equipment cut sheets and POC from the VA Miami
27	Hernandez Consulting & Construction	1/20/2017	16. Will both the freight elevator and service elevator handle the weight of the CT scan equipment? (FYI don't email this part to VA as RFI – freight elevator only takes us to 2nd floor and service elevator gets us to 3rd floor.)	VA	The service elevator is only rated to 4,000 lbs. Depth is 7'-7".
28	Hernandez Consulting & Construction	1/20/2017	17. Can VA provide details on location of the chiller? (Question from Blizzard HVAC)	TMM	Refer to Drawing M103.
29	Hernandez Consulting & Construction	1/20/2017	18. Can VA provide details on what is below and above the spaces we are working in?	TMM/VA	Refer to Drawing AD103 – PARTIAL SECOND FLOOR DEMOLITION PLAN which is included in Addendum.
30	Hernandez Consulting & Construction	1/20/2017	19. Can we conduct demo during off hours and weekend to minimize noise and disruption?	VA	Yes
31	Hernandez Consulting & Construction	1/20/2017	20. Will Contractor be given a laydown area for a dumpster and conex box.	VA	Yes
32	Hernandez Consulting & Construction	1/20/2017	21. Are any lighting fixtures to be saved and reused?	TMM	Yes. Refer to Drawings and information included in this Addendum.

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33	Seawolf Construction	1/24/2017	1. Hardware set #2J is missing from specification Section 08710. Please provide set description.	TMM	Refer to response to Item No. 6.
34	Seawolf Construction	1/25/2017	2. After reviewing with NanaWall, I must inform you that NanaWall does not provide product that: a. Includes leaded glazing, as it adds too much weight. b. Is 1/16" thick glazing.	VA	The NanaWall product is not intended to have leaded glazing. The note indicated on Drawing A601, Door Type D is incorrect and will be revised by Addendum.
35	Seawolf Construction	1/25/2017	3. Will contractor have to provide any steel for government furnished ceiling mounted items?	VA	No
36	Seawolf Construction	1/25/2017	4. Has existing floor been evaluated for loads of new equipment?	VA	See response No. 2
37	Seawolf Construction	1/25/2017	5. <i>On sheet A611 there is a list of Siemens provided equipment, is Siemens installing and testing all this equipment</i>	VA	Yes
38	Seawolf Construction	1/25/2017	6. <i>The Contractor shall be a Certified General Contractor?</i>	VA	<i>Can be certified in any State</i>
39	Seawolf Construction	1/25/2017	7. <i>The Electrical Subcontractor shall be a Certified Electrical Contractor?</i>	VA	<i>Can be certified in any State</i>

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40	VA COR	2/3/2017	<i>Fire rated wall</i>	VA	<i>See attached Design provided by A/E related to new Fire rated wall inside PET CT Project Area.</i>

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