


**SOLICITATION NUMBER VA101-17-R-0301  
PRE- PROPOSAL INQUIRY (PPI) FORM  
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<b>Question No.</b>	<b>Reference (Sect/Para/Page)</b>	<b>QUESTION</b>	<b>GOVERNMENT RESPONSE</b>
41	Detail 2, 3 & 11 on Plan Sheet 2J-A11.65 (sequence 39 of 86)	Detail 2 and 3 on Plan Sheet 2J-A11.65 (sequence 39 of 86) calls for removal of unused pipe and adding new straight pipe. Photo on detail 11 same sheet shows a considerable amount of piping. Can a more descriptive plumbing diagram be provided indicating scope of piping to be removed and new pipe being added?	Refer to attached document. REF: Bldg 2J - 2J0B01 – A; Bldg 2J - 2J0B01 – B, Bldg 2J - 2J0B01 – C, Bldg 2J - 2J0B01 - D
42	G01.03	On Conditions 020602, 020603, & 2J0610 no information is able to be located further in the plans. Are these line items to be deleted?	See attached updated index page. Page G01.03
45	Detail Plan Sheet 60-A12.04 (Typical) (sequence 62 of 86)	Much of the work inside building 60 requires removing plumbing lines in walls at each patient restroom. From the official site visit held yesterday, the existing walls where this piping is to be removed is ceramic tile. Can the VA provide a manufacturer, model, and color of the existing ceramic tile wall so pricing can be obtained to patch this wall (after pipe demolition)?	All piping to be removed that does not impact the ceramic tile – piping that is behind the ceramic tile is to be cut and capped as close as possible – ceramic tile is not to be disturbed – contractor to cut and remove and cap both ends and abandon piping that is behind the wall that is covered in ceramic tile
46	Detail Plan Sheet 60-A12.04 (Typical) (sequence 62 of 86)	3. Much of the work inside building 60 requires removing plumbing lines in ceilings back to the tee connection (patient restrooms, patient room, and corridor). We were able to see the existing ceilings to figure patching of this ceiling. If there are any additional ceilings above this ceiling, please indicate what they are (if any) to all by amendment.	There are no sub-ceilings known to the Architect or the Government. However, it is ultimately the offeror's responsibility to field verify project conditions.
47	Detail Plan Sheet 60-A12.04 (Typical) (sequence 62 of 86)	Much of the work inside building 60 requires removing plumbing lines in wall and in ceiling back to the tee connection. From the official site visit held yesterday, the existing walls where this piping to be removed is ceramic tile. Can the VA provide a manufacturer, model, and color of the existing ceramic tile wall so pricing can be obtained to patch this wall (after pipe demolition)?	All piping to be removed that does not impact the ceramic tile – piping that is behind the ceramic tile is to be cut and capped as close as possible – ceramic tile is not to be disturbed – contractor to cut and remove and cap both ends and abandon piping that is behind the wall that is covered in ceramic tile

55	Details 8&11/Plan Sheet 2-A10.17	Plans provided do not include a roofing plan showing layout of other equipment on roof. We assume that there is existing space on building 2 roof for the installation of the 2 new roof exhaust fans without having to relocate any existing mechanical or electrical or other equipment on the roof. If this is not a correct understanding, please identify what equipment will need relocation (if any) by amendment.	 <p>The design intent is to only install the exhaust fans on the roof without modifying the location of any existing equipment located on the roof. However installation might require offsets in the ductwork to access the roof and clear any obstructions. Ref Google Earth image above.</p>
56	Solicitation	What is the construction duration for the Legionella seed project?	IAW solicitation attachment titled "Seed project provisions _ clauses" issued 4/13/17 - "complete the entire work ready for use not later than 180 calendar days. The time stated for completion shall include final cleanup of the premises."
57	Various	In instances where sanitary sewer lines are cut and abandoned, is it acceptable to cut and cap the line at the point closest to the abandoned removed fixture/item? Or will it be necessary to tear out the wall up to the ceiling level and then cap the line? The former course of action will save the Government money and make for a cleaner job in occupied areas.	Yes. Note the venting and draining functions of the sanitary sewer system shall be maintained.
58	Spec Section 22 31 11 (Water Softeners) and drawings with water softener and brining tank details	We have reviewed the Specs and Plans carefully and just to make sure we are not misinterpreting what the Government wants for water softeners and brining tanks, is it possible for the Government to provide a preferred/acceptable manufacturer(s) and model(s) for water softening systems and brining tanks? This will also ensure bid pricing consistency for the proposed bid deduct alternates.	No

59	General Note K on Drawing P1.01	General Note K on Drawing P1.01 states that contractor is to provide shut-off valves at each branch line connecting to the main. Which branches does this refer to? Please provide locations, pipe sizes and quantities. We need at least an approximate number for pricing purposes.	Response to be provided in future amendment.
60	General Note N on Drawing P1.01	General Note N on Drawing P1.01 states that the contractor shall demolish and remove all abandoned lines. Please confirm that this is limited to the piping detailed in the drawings.	Yes
61	Drawing M1.01 Section 1.6	Drawing M1.01 Section 1.6 states that the contractor shall test 10% of all duct systems to detect leakage. Please confirm that this is limited to the new exhaust duct to be installed with the new exhaust fans.	Yes, this is limited to the new exhaust duct to be installed with the new exhaust fans
62	Drawing M1.01 Section 1.6	Drawing M1.01 Section 1.6 states that the contractor shall test 10% of all duct systems to detect leakage. This means that only one exhaust duct will be tested. Is this the Government's intent?	Yes
63	Condition ID: 020502, 020503, 020601	What gauge and finish is required for the stainless steel infill panels?	Ref detail 3/2J-A11.76 and Specification Section 05 50 00
64	Various	Can in wall piping serving the hose bibs, sinks and showers be cut dead and labeled as abandoned in the walls? Removing them will require opening up the walls, matching and replacing old tiles and substantially increase the cost of the project. If we were allowed to abandon the disconnected pipe in the wall we would still remove all other piping as well as the tee and install a new straight piece of pipe.	Refer to Addendum 01, item 3.
65	Condition ID: 600130, 600134, 600135, 600136, 600131, 600133, 600137, 600138, 600140, 600142, 600143, 600145, 600146, 600147, 600148	If piping for the hose bib also serves the adjacent water closet and/or the sink, shall only the piping to the hose bib be changed/removed?	Hose bib pipe shall only be removed back to the first "Tee." And should not affect the operation of nearby sinks or water closets.

66	Condition ID: 600130, 600134, 600135, 600136, 600131, 600133 600137, 600138, 600140, 600142, 600143, 600145, 600146, 600147, 600148	What material should be used to cover the removed hose bibs?	Ref sections 22 11 00
67	Condition ID: 600130, 600134, 600135, 600136, 600131, 600133 600137, 600138, 600140, 600142, 600143, 600145, 600146, 600147, 600148	If tile removal and/or replacement is required will a closest possible/not exact tile match be acceptable? Most of the tiles are old and are likely not available anymore.	Match existing.
68	Condition ID: 600130, 600134, 600135, 600136, 600131, 600133 600137, 600138, 600140, 600142, 600143, 600145, 600146, 600147, 600148	Does the concrete deck (between floors and roof) have power lines and conduit in the concrete? If so, will the Government require x-raying be conducted to locate such conduit?	Response to be provided in future amendment.
69	Drawing 60-A12.08, Details 9,10,11, and 12.	The referenced details do not provide adequate information for which specific insulation is to be replaced. Please provide approximate pipe size(s), footage and location(s).	Response to be provided in future amendment.
70	Plans and Specifications in general	Is there any known asbestos, lead, mold or other hazardous material that we will be required to abate? If there is, where is it located and what are the approximate quantities for pricing purposes?	Response to be provided in future amendment.
71	G01.02 Deduct Alternatives	Does the reference to "omitting all work with . . . etc." include omitting all work associated with the brining tanks or does it strictly limit the proposed omission to the work directly associated with the water softeners?	Correct, the Alternate refers to all work associated the Condition #; water softener and associated brine tanks.
72	Drawings 2-E4.1 and 2-E4.2	Might the Government verify the location(s) of electrical panels that we will tie into for Building 2 required electrical work? The panel we looked at during the site visit had no spare circuit breakers.	If required spare circuit breaker is necessary, it will be installed by the government

73	Amendment 00002 Q#26	In question #26 of Amendment 00002, you removed the requirement to provide EMR and OSHA information for subcontractors, however the requirement seems to remain for the offeror. Yet the tab for the EMR/OSHA information was removed from the table of contents. Please clarify that the offeror (prime contractor) still has to provide the EMR/OSHA information, and if so where it should be placed in the proposal.	Provide under separate, identifiable cover in the price proposal binder.
74		Bldg. 60 storage tanks – What material are these tanks made of?	Response to be provided in future amendment.
75		Bldg 60 Storage Tanks – Can tanks be demolished during normal business hours?	Refer to General Condition Specifications.
76		Can work on dead legs be done during normal working hours?	Refer to General Condition Specifications.
77		Can we use press fit copper fittings to reduce shutdown times?	Refer to Plumbing Specifications
78		Can the saw cutting & trenching @ Bldg 2 dock be done during normal working hours Mon-Fri?	Refer to General Condition Specifications.
79		Will contractor be provided adequate staging area on site for equipment?	Refer to response provided for PPI #52, Amendment A00005, posted to FBO on 5/11/17.
80		Is the contractor responsible for disposing of demolished pipe and equipment or will it be provided to the VA?	Refer to Specification 01 74 19
81		What is the preferred brand for water softener equipment?	Refer to Plumbing Specification