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**FBO Notice of Combined Synopsis & Solicitation:
VA262-17-Q-1101: SCAQMD Compliance Support Services**

Questions & Answers

1. VA indicates that it wants transcripts or copies of diplomas. Can we push that aside and rely upon bios and resumes?

Diplomas should be handy. Biographies, resumes and pertinent certificates to the service requirement are acceptable. VA will modify the instructions to not limit responsive offers to include strictly transcripts.

2. Does VA request simply a per hour billing rate for each of the five tasks or does VA request a lump sum all-inclusive cost for each task? If the former, should hourly rates account for incurred costs including mileage, printing, etc., or are such costs separately reimbursable?

VA will award a firm-fixed price purchase order. Tasks are listed in the Statement of Work. Each task is a job or set of jobs to be performed during the period of performance. The Contractor shall submit their estimated hours of work based on the information given about the permit(s) and expected work requirements per SCAQMD recommendations. Any incurred costs such as printing shall be at the expense of the contractor. However, travel costs shall be paid in accordance with Federal rates listed here: <https://www.gsa.gov/portal/content/104877>. All these costs should be considered and included in your final offer/quote.

3. VA asks for help with preparing permit applications for emergency engines. If VA is asking for a fixed cost for the annual contract, can it also estimate the number of applications that may be requested?

VA already has all of its IC engines permitted but do need administrative changes to them. See #8 for the list.

4. Does VA expect the vendor to cover application and plan fees to SCAQMD, or will VA pay those costs independently?

VA will pay the SCAQMD fees separately.

5. VA suggests that its three boilers are undergoing permit modifications to comply with the 5 ppmv NOx limit specified in SCAQMD Rule 1146 for Group II boilers. We presume that the 2010 compliance plan submittal included a request to delay final compliance until as late as 2020. The RFP suggest that applications for the boiler retrofits or replacements would be in place and the selected vendor would serve a liaison during the application review process. However, our search of the SCAQMD permitting database suggests that no applications have been submitted to modify or replace the three existing boilers and SCR systems. Would VA please verify if the selected vendor is expected to prepare and submit permit applications for the boilers.

See attached permit VA already has permits for the three boilers and SCR systems. Contractor will not be expected to do the permit applications.

6. VA requests ongoing on-call compliance management support. What level of effort (hours per year) does VA wish the bidder to include in its budget proposal?

The VA has an estimated number of 300 hours for one year.

7. Can the VA provide a copy of the current Title V Air Permit and/or copies of the most recent Semi-Annual Monitoring Report and Compliance Certification?

The Title V permit is quite large. The list of permits is included attached Title V File[to the FBO modification].

8. Can the VA provide the current (active) notice of violations in order to determine the anticipated level of support?

VA has no official violations. VA has not received a letter or deadline. However, the VA using service does need to make some permit changes and SCAQMD is aware of them.

Equipment	Engine	Permit No.	Permit Action	SCAQMD Fee
Bldg. 149 Generator	Generac	D22276	Admin Revision	\$920.48
Bldg. 138 Generator	Cummins	D91873	Admin Revision	\$920.48
Bldg. 5B Generator	Caterpillar	G13922	Change of Condition	\$2,359.93
Bldg. 5B Generator	Caterpillar	G13993	Change of Condition	\$2,359.93
Bldg. 133 Generator	Allis Calmers	D22282	Deactivate	\$0
Title V Revision				\$1,158.42
Total:				\$7,719.24

9. Can the VA provide the current (active) order of abatement in order to determine the anticipated level of support?

The VA no longer will require this job to be accomplished by the contractor. VA will remove this task regarding the abatement order.

10. Need clarification on the number of IC engines to permit - Can the VA provide the current inventory (or quantity) of emergency internal combustion engines?

VA currently has 16 IC engines under permit.

11. Can the VA provide the anticipated number of permit applications to be prepared?

None. (see #5) VA already has permits for the three boilers and SCR systems. Contractor will not be expected to do the permit applications.