

**RFI Responses VA248-17-R-1235**

1. Does the "Asbestos Worker / Heat Insulator" wage rate shown in the Davis-Bacon Wage Decision apply to asbestos and mold remediation workers?

**After researching on the DOL website I came across U.S. Department of Labor Prevailing Wage Resource Book 2010 where it talks about asbestos classification. On page 21, it states that specialty classification should not be approved if the duties are performed on similar construction in the area by general classifications that are listed on the contract wage determination. If the laborers are doing asbestos demolition only and are not performing removal from pipes and boilers that will be reinsulated they will be paid as such. For pricing purpose on this contract use laborers for asbestos unless they perform other than demolition. See attached document**

2. Specification Section 010000; 1.3 Statement of Bid Items; A. Item 1; requires 120 calendar days for completion. The Solicitation; Item 11 requires 150 calendar days for completion. Which is correct?

**150 calendar days.**

3. Specification Section 010000; 1.8 Infection Prevention Measures; D.2a; requires a temporary metal stud and drywall partition at all work locations. Will this be required only at Bldg. 100, Room 5C-122 (Task#2) or at all locations?

**All Locations except building 36 Drug Cache.**

4. Relating to question three (above); does the hardwall partition need to remain in-place to allow the VA to reinstall the permanent drywall after we remove the contaminated drywall?

**Yes.**

5. We would like to exhaust our negative air through an operable window in each work area, if this is not possible and we are forced to exhaust through an existing exhaust fan/duct; can the VA show us where the tie-in is located for the exhaust duct?

**Yes.**