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1	Please clarify the size of the email file. On page 6 of the RDP (item 6) it says that the email file can be no more than 7MG. However, on page 14 of the RFP (item 6) it says the file limit is 5MG.	Page 14 is incorrect. The VA will allow no more than 7MG.
2	The 1442 notes that the proposal submission is to be Original PLUS email copy. Page 14 (item 6) notes that this is an electronic submission only.	Electronic submission only.
3	Tab B (1) Technical Approach is limited to 5 pages, which includes a schedule submission. As this schedule could run to 2 pages, please consider excluding the schedule from the page limitation.	The schedule can be excluded in the 5 page limitation
4	Tab C (4) Requires the submission of a valid GC license in a section limited to 15 pages. Please consider excluding this license from the page limitation.	Factors 2 & 3 have a 25 page limit per this amendment.
5	Tab D (1) In the Maximum of 5 projects, could the offeror use an IDIQ contract with multiple task orders awarded that count towards relevancy as one of the submitted projects?	Each task order submission counts towards the 5 project maximum. 5 projects are sufficient to prove competency.
6	Tab D (1) For the minimum of two (2), but no more than five (5) projects, will all projects submitted by the offeror be required to be within the \$1million-\$5million range?	Only two of the projects must be between \$1-5 Million.

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7	Tab D (2) Requires certification of full-time status of the key personnel in a section limited to 15 pages. Please consider excluding this certification documentation from the page limit.	Factors 2 & 3 have a 25 page limit per this amendment.
8	Tab D (4) Requires a brief quality control plan in a section limited to 15 pages. Given the requirements in this section, it is possible for a brief plan to range up to 10 pages. Please consider excluding this brief plan from the page limit – or give this plan its own page limit outside of the limit for this section.	Factors 2 & 3 have a 25 page limit per this amendment.
9	TAB A General Information, Cover Bid Bond – the requirement notes that the bid bond can be scanned into the proposal, but you needed to get a hardcopy as well. Do we deliver the hardcopy bid bond the day subsequent to the due date?	Please mail the hardcopy of the bid bond to be received prior to the due date deadline.
10	TAB B Price Breakdown Should the Bid Sheet be included in this section?	Yes

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11	<p>On page 15 of 236, Item 1: General Construction notes the project covers replacement of windows in Buildings 1 and 10. During the site visit meeting it was noted that the project covers just Building 10 (NHCU) and that there are 193 windows and 3 automatic doors. On page 17 of 236, Project Requirements, Sub-Paragraph 4 notes approximately 195 existing windows including some doors with sub-paragraph (a.) noting 60 windows (approx.) in Building 1 &amp; 1A and sub-paragraph (b.) noting 135 windows (approx.) in Building 10 and no doors noted in Building 10. Please confirm the project covers Building 10 (NHCU) and no additional windows or doors in Building 1 or 1A.</p>	Building 10 only
12	<p>The existing window openings in Building 10 have operable inswing casement windows and each opening has a pair of windows. Please confirm that the project scope is to match the windows noted on the drawings attached to the solicitation, i.e., fixed windows and the total number of windows is 193 window pairs or a total of 386 windows mulled together in 193 openings.</p>	Yes

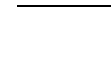
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13	Can the VA provide a set of as-built drawings for Building 10 (NHCU) which includes a window and door schedule?	See drawings attached in the amendment. Note drawings say Nurse Building but it is building 10. They changed the name.
14	During the site visit it was noted that the window screens are to be removed and recycled along with the existing windows and the savings from the recycling shall be shared with the VA. Our experience has shown that the costs to handle and track the recycling has a minimal impact on the overall project cost. Please advise on how we are to credit the VA for recycling costs or sharing of the costs?	The VA Miami estimates the recycle value will be approximately \$30K. This amount should be placed in your bid as a credit. Receipts/trip tickets must be obtained and presented the VA prior to final payment. If the credit due to the Government is lower than 30K a modification will be provided by the Government to reduce the credit and increase the amount paid to the firm respectively. If the amount due the VA is over 30K, then an additional credit is expected after award.
15	During the site visit meeting it was discussed that the existing PPG glass color "CARIBIA" has been discontinued and no longer available. Please confirm that we are to choose a glass color as close as possible to the existing glass color?	Yes

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16	Page 16 of 236, General Information, Second Paragraph notes the new windows/doors shall comply with nationally approved building code for hurricane windows and shall meet 150 mile per hour wind criteria established by industry standards. During the site visit it was discussed that the replacement windows would require a current NOA (Notice of Approval) by Miami-Dade Product Control. Please confirm that requirement for a current NOA?	Current NOA
17	During the site visit we were advised that the VA will assist in coordinating the patient relocation from the patient rooms to support the demolition and installation of the new windows and roller shades. Please confirm the VA will assist in coordinating the patient relocations to meet the construction schedule?	Yes
18	Please confirm the VA will clean the room prior to turning the room over to our construction crews for infection control concerns?	Yes

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19	During the site visit it was noted that three (3) automatic doors were to be included in the project and that the doors were equipped with card access. Please define the location of the three (3) doors to be replaced in the project and provide the door schedules which note the door sizes and functions if possible?	See Drawings
20	Please provide the location of project staging area?	Contractor Construction Yard
21	Will contractor be provided a floor at a time or sections of rooms that will be vacant for window installation?	Sections of rooms as available
22	Will contractor be allowed to use service elevator to access floors and roof?	Yes
23	Where is the service elevator located?	Three elevators in CLC

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24	Please provide "as-build" drawings for building.	See Drawings
25	Pg 8 of 236 Section 2 Basis for Contract Award is Section 3.11 of the basic MATOC contract. Please clarify or provide the basic MATOC contract.	That reference does not apply to this procurement. Please disregard. The basis of award is listed under each factor.
26	In lieu of Miami Dade NOA, will Florida High Velocity High Wind Zone (HVHZ) building criteria be acceptable?	Miami Dade NOA or Florida Building Code, whichever is stricter
27	Due to the state of emergency declared for the state of Florida prior to the site visit and the pending mandatory evacuation on the day of the site visit, we were unable to visit the site. Is it possible to arrange for another site visit to view the project site specifics?	Yes
28	It appears that the drawings call for windows to be replaced in Building 1 and Building 10. Is this still the plan or will the project just be for the window replacement in Building 10?	See corrected SOW. Building 1 is being deleted. Amendment to say Building 10 only, 193 windows and 3 doors, and POP 360 calendar days
29	This is a bid build project, is there any design requirements the contractors should anticipate?	No
30	Will the official meeting minutes of the site visit held on September 6 be issued for contractors that were unable to attend due to statewide state of emergency?	The site visit on September 6 was just a walk through. All questions asked were submitted by email and the questions and responses appear on this RFI response document. No meeting minutes were taken.

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31	Does the government anticipate a need for temporary heating and cooling?	No
32	In section A.3 Price Offer Schedule it requests the mechanical and electrical to be broke out separately. After reviewing the drawings, it doesn't appear that there is any mechanical or electrical work involved. Please clarify.	The price offer information requests it to be broken down if required. If there isnt any requirement, please disregard.
33	What are the electrical requirements, if any, for the automatic door openers and window shades? Where is the panelboard located for the associated electrical requirements?	TBA
34	What are the limitations on work hours? Are multiple shifts allowable?	Yes
36	Will there be any third-party testing requirements?	Yes
37	Please provide an asbestos/lead survey of areas within construction limits.	We do not feel there is any abatement at this time. If a need for abatement is found after award, we will issue a change order.
38	Is there any know hazardous material that contractor would encounter during constructiong?	We do not feel there will be any hazardous material.





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39	A.4 Statement of Work section II 2.4 states that there are approximately 60 windows to be replaced in Building 1 and approximately 135 in building 10. However, it appears that the drawings only show Building 1 and the window count according to the drawings is in excess of 200 windows tagged for replacement for Building 1. Please clarify.	Building 10 only, 193 windows and 3 doors.
40	Spec section 12 has included window shades however drawings do not detail, provide locations, or quantities for window shades. Please clarify.	Will provide response in amendment 2
41	Is there existing power for swing stage scaffolding currently available?	Yes
42	What type of roof system is currently on building?	Build up modified (flat roof).
43	Is roof concrete or metal decking?	Concrete
44	Will automatic doors be tied to mechanical and DDC panels?	Yes
45	Will swing stages be able to pass through the louvered rooftop sections?	Yes
46	A.4 Statement of Work states that this is a Bid-Build project however Section 01 00 00 General Requirements Part 1.3 Specs & Drawings for Contractor states that this is a Design-Build contract and that the D/B contractor is responsible for providing drawings and specs. Please clarify.	This project is a bid build project. As stated in the RFP, the specifications are for reference only. There is no design for this project. The call for design was from a previous phase of the project.
47	Since this is a later phase of an ongoing project. Is there existing temporary power that was left in place from previous window projects?	No

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48	we feel like 360 calendar days may be a little tight for this scope of work, especially taking into consideration the response to Q&A #21 of Amendment #1 where it states that we will only be given "sections of rooms as available	Per the COR, there are two different size windows for building 10. The two windows were 87"x67 ½" and 45 ½" X 67 ½". There is a large section of building 10 that is empty which warrants the 360 day deadline. However, in your technical approach if you feel you need more time please state and justify. If you feel your company needs an additional site visit to look at building 10, please contact Kurt Hair to make the visit Thursday afternoon or Friday am. Always cc me on emails to the COR. Kurt Hair can be reached at kurt.hair@va.gov. ( 954) 605-8983. This visit is only to see the space and verify any measurements. All questions must still come by email for the official response.
49	Where is the exact location of Building 10?	Building 10 is on the Miami VA Campus and is connected to building 1.
50	How is the contractor to bid this project as a bid-build considering there are no bid-build documents to bid? It seems that there are only old design drawings from a previously completed project and now as-built drawings from 1978 to bid from	The drawings from the last windows project were provided for reference. Hurricane Windows are pretty standard now and available commercial. Designs are not normally given to window companies to purchase windows.
51	The SOW and RFI's state 193 window opening and 3 automatic doors, how do we bid this as a bid-build with no demo plan, window opening dimensions, accurate "as build" documents, window type, detailed specifications, etc.?	The contractor is supposed to obtain field measurements from the site visit.
52	What are the locations of each of the 193 window openings? Do the 193 window openings constitute ALL window openings or will there be windows that will not be replaced?	All 193 windows requested in this solicitation are in building 10 and that is all the windows in building 10.
53	RFI 36 response states there will be required 3rd party testing. Since there doesn't appear to be any bid build drawings or specifications what activities will require 3rd party testing?	Commissioning
54	What will govern the 3rd party testing listed as required per PPI response #36? Will specifications be provided detailing what 3rd party tests are to be included in the scope of work?	Yes, will be determined following award and modified within the contract.
55	The bid response time is very short from receipt of AMD 01 and AMD 02 has not been issued to date. Will the bid date be extended in AMD 02?	No. Proposals will be due Monday September 25 in order to allow for an FY 17 award. No funds available in FY 18 for this project.

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56	PPI response #20 references a Contractor Construction Yard. Where is this yard in relation to the work site?	Next to the site
57	PPI response #14 details a requirement for recycling of existing materials. Is there a quantity of materials, location of materials, type or size of materials that will be recycled? Is the \$30k in recycled materials the total of the expected materials to be recycled? If, so what portion is the VA expecting the contractor to "share" or is the total to be turned over to the VA?	Total to the VA
58	PPI response #21 details that sections of rooms will be provided "as available"...how does the contractor propose a phasing schedule without knowing what windows will be replaced and in what quantity or sequence? Should the contractor make the schedule based upon best case scenario or worst?	Approximately half the Building is readily available.
59	PPI response #29 and 46 say that no design will be required under this solicitation. PPI response #28 says that the POP for the project is 360 calendar days all other documents say 485 calendar days. Why the reduction if the scope has not changed in respect to the quantity of units to be replaced?	There is no design for this project. The COR will serve as the AE for the project during the construction phase. The original period of performance listed was an error by the CO. The CO corrected the POP by amendment to 360 days.
60	17. The FedBizOps synopsis states that MVAMC Infection Control and Construction Policy has determined this project to be classified as Low Risk Group II, Type C. Will this be the same classification for all the work areas in Building 10?	Yes. Classification is the same.
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