



Request for Information (RFI) Log

Replace Fire Alarm

Construction Project: 691GE-16-115LA

27 June 2018

Greater Los Angeles, California VA Health Care System (691)

Los Angeles Ambulatory Care Center

RFI Number	Date	Question	Answer
001	18 June 2018	This solicitation was issued with a NAICS Code of 238210 - Electrical Contractors with an SBA Size Standard of \$15M. Will the VA consider changing the NAICS Code for this project to 236220 – Commercial and Institutional Building Construction with an SBA Size Standard of \$36.5M?	The VA does not intend to change the NAICS code for this requirement
002	27 June 2018	I would like to enquire about the percentage of the Set Aside: Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business for the project mentioned above. Is there a way for our company – since this requirement doesn't apply to us, to be able to bid in this project?	Please refer to FAR Clause 52.219-14 and IL 001AL-11-15-A included in Amendment 001
003	27 June 2018	This project is requiring a complete fire alarm system replacement. Can you confirm we are allowed to propose a fire alarm manufacture other than what is listed on the fire alarm drawings as long as it meets the drawing and specification requirements?	The existing building fire alarm system is not connected to other VA buildings or is part of a networked system. The installing contractor will be required to meet the design drawings, specifications, and all applicable requirements of the VA Fire Protection Design Manual. The submittal of a manufacturer that

			differs from the drawings would be permitted.
04	27 June 2018	Please confirm what hours this work must be performed. The requirement for night and weekend work will escalate the project cost significantly and Vortex wants to submit the most competitive bid possible.	Allowable work hours are 6 p.m. to 6 a.m. Monday through Thursday after the facility is unoccupied, and 6 p.m. Friday through 6 a.m. Monday on weekends excluding holidays. The construction site shall be cleaned up prior to facility being occupied.
005	27 June 2018	Please confirm if a third-party commissioning agent will be required?	The fire alarm system testing requirements are outlined in Specification Section 28 31 00 – Sections 3.3 and 3.4.
006	27 June 2018	Will a laydown area be provided and what are the dimensions?	The laydown area is shown on sheet E-01, detail 1. The dimensions of the laydown area is approximately 10 feet by 50 feet.
007	27 June 2018	Will there be superintendent office or trailer space available?	Contractor may use Rm A135 which was shown during the pre-solicitation walk through. It is on the 1 st floor in the old surgery suite. It is near the north entrance. It is approximately 9.75' x 10.75'. There is an adjoining restroom. There are three adjoining rooms approximately 5' x 19'. There is power and water. Contractor shall use the room as is. The VA will not make any improvements or clean the area.
008	27 June 2018	Will a scanned executed copy of the bid bond be sufficient for electronic bid submission?	Electronic Copies of the Bonding will be acceptable for bid opening so long as all other elements of the executed bond are present. Physical copy of the actual bonding, with the raised seal shall be received mail from the apparent low offeror within 48 hours of the conclusion of the public opening, or will be ineligible for award.
009	27 June 2018	Will a conference call be set up for contractors to call into the public bid opening since submission of proposals can be made via email?	The VA does not intend to hold a teleconference as part of the public bid opening.