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4.3. The contractor must provide one (1) current hardcopy edition of the Unit Price Book (UPB). The contractor must obtain the CD Rom version of the UPB and the estimating software and must submit all price proposals electronically using the estimating software. The VHSO does not require the software, the VA already has a subscription to the software. Only one book per year is required.

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9. CONTRACTOR KEY PERSONNEL AND STAFF:

9.1. Contact Information. Prior to the issuance of the first task order, the contractor must provide the Contracting Officer with a Primary and Alternate contact telephone number at which the contractor or his representative may be contacted at any time during the regular working hours and an emergency number at which the contractor may be contacted in situations requiring immediate attention. The above-mentioned representative must have full power and authority to act on behalf of the contractor and must be located to be able to provide a maximum one-hour response time (time to arrive on-site) for emergency situations.

9.2. Supervision. The Government will not exercise any supervision or control over the contractor's employees performing services under this contract. Such employees must be accountable not to the Government, but solely to the contractor, who, in turn, is responsible to the Government. At all times during the performance of each task order under this contract, and until the work under that task order is completed and accepted, the contractor must directly oversee the work under each task order, or assign, and have on the work site, a competent representative who is satisfactory to the Contracting Officer and has authority to act for the contractor. This may include a working supervisor.

9.3. Conduct/Behavior. The contractor's employees are obligated to adhere to the rules and regulations of the Medical Center applicable to employees' conduct/behavior. The Contracting Officer may require, in writing, the contractor to remove from the job site any employee the Contracting Officer deems incompetent, careless, or otherwise objectionable.

9.4. Project Manager. The contractor is required to maintain a project manager and have the capability of providing a staff to respond to the requirements set forth in this contract. The individual designated as the project manager must have full authority to act for the contractor. Key personnel including, but not limited to, the Project Manager, Project Superintendent and Quality Control personnel must meet or exceed the qualifications of the personnel submitted in the contractor's proposal. The Government reserves the right to disapprove personnel based on the qualifications of the personnel stated in the proposal. The contractor must be able to provide experienced and knowledgeable personnel in civil, structural, architectural, mechanical, and electrical disciplines.

9.5. Contractor Personnel. The contractor is responsible for selecting personnel who are well qualified to perform the required work, for supervising techniques used in their work, and for keeping them informed of all improvements, changes, and methods of operation.

9.5.1. The contractor must take appropriate personnel action, as required, in the event employee(s) become involved with law enforcement authorities because of misconduct. The Government will not exercise any supervision or control over contractor employees performing work under the contract. Such employees must be accountable solely to the contractor, not the Government. The contractor in turn, must be accountable to the Government for contractor employees.

9.5.2. In accordance with FAR Clause 52.222-54, Employment Eligibility Verification, it is the responsibility of the contractor to ensure all contractor and subcontractor employees have been E-Verified prior to submitting the employees for an identification badge.

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14. CONTRACTOR QUALITY CONTROL & SAFETY ASSURANCE:

14.1. The Contractor must submit a master Quality Control (QC) Plan to be applicable to all individual task orders to the Contracting Officer no later than the closing date/time for receipt of proposals shown on the SF1442 for the guaranteed minimum. The Government reserves the right to require the Contractor to make changes in the plan and operations, including removal of personnel as necessary, to obtain the quality specified. After acceptance of the QC Plan, the Contractor must notify the Contracting Officer in writing of any proposed change. Proposed changes are subject to review and acceptance by the Contracting Officer/COR. Failure to implement or maintain an adequate QC Plan is cause for a default termination of the contract.

14.2. Control: Contractor quality control is how the contractor assures himself that his construction complies with the requirements of the contract plans and specifications. The controls must be adequate to cover all construction operations, including both on-site and off-site fabrication, and will be keyed to the proposed construction sequence. Quality control includes, as a minimum, the following functions:

- a. All submittals are submitted and approved in a timely fashion.
- b. The supplies that are delivered are in proper condition and the same as shown on the submittal.
- c. The supplies are stored properly
- d. The construction equipment is correct and meets contract requirements.
- e. Testing provisions are reviewed and testing equipment and personnel are available and correct.
- f. All tests are performed at the proper times and in the proper places
- g. All test reports meet contract requirements.
- h. The workers are cognizant of the required level of workmanship.
- i. Inspect each area of work to ensure the preparation for the work is correct.
- j. Inspect each feature of the work to ascertain that no deficient work is covered up by succeeding work.
- k. Inspections must continue throughout the contract to include documentation of all inspections.
- l. The documentation covers both conforming, defective work and all corrected deficiencies.
- m. Develop procedures to ensure that deficiencies do not recur.
- n. Develop a "punch list" for the completion inspection.
- o. Government officials are notified at the proper times of inspections and/ or tests that are required.

14.3 The Contractor Quality Control (CQC) Plan for each task order must be made available to the CO upon request and must include, as a minimum, the following:

14.3.1. A description of the quality control organization, including an organization chart showing lines of authority and acknowledgement that the QC staff must report to the project manager or someone higher in the Contractor's organization;

14.3.2. The name, qualifications, duties, responsibilities, and authorities of each person assigned a QC function.

14.3.3. A copy of the letter to the Quality Control Manager, signed by an authorized official of the firm, which describes the responsibilities and delegates the authorities of the Quality Control Manager, must be furnished.

14.3.4. Procedures for scheduling, reviewing, certifying, and managing submittals, including those of subcontractors, off site fabricators, suppliers, and purchasing agents. These procedures will be in support of other directed submittal procedures.

14.3.5. Procedures for tracking preparatory, initial, and follow-up control phases and control, verification, and acceptance tests including documentation. These include daily logs monitoring construction progress and explaining delay, deficiencies, and actions taken to correct these.

14.3.6. Procedures for tracking construction deficiencies from identification through acceptable corrective action. These procedures must establish verification that identified deficiencies have been corrected.

14.3.7. Methods used to ensure that all applicable OSHA regulations are adhered to.

14.4. Submission and acceptance of contractor's master quality control plan for the multiple year, multiple awards Construction IDIQ does not preclude the potential requirement for project specific plans on individually issued Task Orders.

14.5. The Government reserves the right, upon award of this contract and each task order, to disseminate within the Government, for official use, without prior approval of the contractor, the CQC Plan and other plans and documents identified and submitted by the contractor for the intended use of inspection, surveillance, or for any administrative or contractual function under this contract.

14.6 CONTRACTOR SAFETY ASSURANCE:

14.6.1. The Contractor must submit a master Safety Plan to be applicable to all individual task orders to the Contracting Officer no later than the closing date/time for receipt of proposals shown on the SF1442 for the guaranteed minimum. The Government reserves the right to require the Contractor to make changes in the plan and operations, including removal of personnel as necessary, to obtain the quality specified. After acceptance of the Safety Plan, the Contractor must notify the Contracting Officer in writing of any proposed change. Proposed changes are subject to review and acceptance by the Contracting Officer/COR. Failure to implement or maintain an adequate Safety Plan will be cause for a default termination of the contract.

14.6.2. Factors to be used by the Government to evaluate the contractor's proposed safety plan include but are not limited to: Training and documentation; and Methods used to monitor and enforce the safety plan under any task order awarded.

14.6.3. The Contractor must assume full responsibility and liability for compliance with all applicable OSHA regulations pertaining to the health and safety of personnel during the execution of work, and must hold the Government harmless for any action on his part or that of his employees or subcontractors, which results in illness, injury, or death. Contractors are required to report any accidents or injuries that occur on the job. The contractor's proposed safety plan must address the following in detail: Work activity safety measures; Emergency response measures; and Safety reporting plan.

14.6.4. The contractor's proposed safety plan must be written in such a manner that any employee who must react to an emergency, or report an unsafe condition, can use the plan to determine the appropriate action required.

14.6.5. Submission and acceptance of contractor's master safety plan for the multiple year, multiple awards Construction IDIQ does not preclude the potential requirement for project specific plans on individually issued Task Orders.