

## **ANSWERS FOR QUESTIONS IN RESPONSE TO CONTRACTOR RFI**

1. Is this project sales tax exempt? If the project is sales tax exempt can the government provide a sales tax exemption certificate? **THIS CONTRACT IS NOT SALES TAX EXEMPT**
2. Will the Government provide comprehensive written badging requirements for the project if badging is required? **YES**
3. Where will the designated parking area be for workers accessing the construction site?  
**IN THE LOADING DOCK AREA**
4. Will the government accept the use of the industry leading Procore Project Management software as the primary submittal and data tracking tool for this project? The software is compatible with the VA's networks and is currently in use at many VA locations. **TMM WILL NOT PARTICIPATE IN CONSTRUCTOR RUN SOFTWARE SUBMITTAL PROCESS BY CORPORATE POLICY. WE HAVE A SITE FOR CONTRACTOR TO UPLOAD AND VA DOWNLOAD**
5. During construction in an area where the ceilings or fire suppression system will be disrupted, will NFPA 241 apply? Will the government require additional security measures beyond NFPA code such as fire watch, temporary fire alarms, adjustments to sprinkler heads, etc. **SEE DWGS AND DIV 1 SPECS**
6. Does the Government have a fire alarm servicer that they currently work with? What is the name and contact information of the person or persons that will need to be coordinated with for security and fire alarm and suppression systems work and/or disruptions? **OUR FIRE ALARM IS SET UP THROUGH NACCI CONSTRUCTION SERVICES 706-556-0789**
7. Has the work area been checked for asbestos? **SEE DWGS & SPECS**
8. What is the Governments' policy if asbestos products are encountered during construction? **SEE #7**
9. Does the Government currently have a 3<sup>rd</sup> party testing service for those items requiring testing or is the contractor free to locate and hire applicable testing firms? **BY CONSTRUCTOR UNO**
10. Who is responsible for the utility locations? WHAT **UTILITY-INADEQUATE DETAIL TO RESPOND**
11. Due to current potentially significant tariffs being placed on the importation of building materials such as wood or steel by the current Presidential Executive Branch, if a tariff is placed after bid time and before award will the government consider a price escalation on a contract value for products such as steel or wood should the executive branch levee tariffs effecting such materials? Most of these materials would still have been Buy American compliant as the tariffs would increase pricing on all steel or wood materials, regardless of origin. **WE WILL ADDRESS THAT ISSUE IF IT SHOULD ARISE.**
12. Describe any and all tasks that may be required for this project as it relates to infectious control?  
**SEE DWGS AND SPECS**
13. What is the level of infectious disease control rating for this site? **SEE DIV 1 SPECS**
14. Who is the company responsible for the controls in this facility? Do you have a point of contact for them?  
**SEE DRGS AND SPECS**
15. Can the SSHO and the Superintendent be the same person? **YES**
16. Is it possible for the proposal submission time be changed from 10:00 AM EST to later in the day? **NO**

**Question #1:** Is it the VA'S intent to have blinds in all glazed openings?

**SEE GENERAL NOTES G002**

**Question #2:** Is it the intent of the VA to have the cord operated blinds to run the full length of the window openings or individual panels? **THE VA DOES NOT HAVE CORD OPERATED BLINDS. WE HAVE ELECTRONIC BLINDS THAT RUN THE FULL LENGTH OF THE WINDOWS.**