Clarifications to bidders

1. Dwg. A400 - Millwork details. Is it possible sections 7 & 8 should be representing the reverse from what is described currently on the drawing?
   - *Correct, drawing sections are reversed. 7 is what 8 reads and 8 is what 7 reads.*
2. Dwg. AD100 – Demolition. What is the contractor supposed to do with the existing appliances in each respective kitchen? Are they owned by the contractor or to be turned over to the VA?
   - *Contractor shall remove and disconnect appliances and turn over to the government.*
3. Dwg AD100 – Demolition. Demo note #10 states (2) directives and needs clarified regarding the handling of the window units.
   - *Contractor shall remove and disconnect window units and turn over to the government.*
4. Dwg AI100 - Finish Plan. Regarding Waiting Room 411A-13, in the northern portion of what appears to be an alcove, clarification is needed regarding the vertical line running north and South.
   - *Disregard stated line in the drawings.*
5. Dwg A200 - Reflected Ceiling Plan. This inquiry pertains to a line shown similar on this ceiling plan as inquired about on Finish Plan.
   - *The stated line represent shape of ceiling soffit @8' AFF*
6. Is negative air monitoring necessary through the entire project?
   - *Yes*
7. At the shear wall locations, is the wood support framing between the concrete and existing subfloor framing part of this project.
   - *Yes*
8. Drawings call for caulk joint instead of taping where the top of the vertical board joins with the ceiling (horizontal) board. Please advise what is desired, since taping is standard practice.
   - *Taping shall be used instead of caulking.*
9. Regarding the curved walls for the corridor design, it calls for (2) layers of 1/4" board. It is suggested by the drywall contractor using 1/2" or 5/8" board could be used as successfully. Please advise if this would be acceptable.
   - *Contractor shall use either drywall thickness as long as curve radii are accomplished per drawings.*
10. The interior of the perimeter walls requires Z furring (2") where rigid insulation is called for. Is the Z furring necessary?
    - *"Z" furring is necessary to hold in place 2" rigid insulation.*
11. On sheet ES201. Special Note #11: It says to provide electrical work associated with indoor unit SS1 and outdoor unit SS1 under deduct alternate #2 (This work is shown on breakout drawing listed as deduct alternate #3)
    - *Provide this work under alternate #3.*
12. On sheet ES201. Special Note 12 - says to not provide electrical work associated with GWH1 and P1 under deduct alternate #3 (This work is shown on breakout drawing listed as deduct #2)
    - *Provide this work under alternate #2.*
13. Does DH1 (dehumidifier) get omitted under either alternate #2 or #3?

- *The dehumidifier should be included for Alternates # 2 & 3, not omitted.*
14. On sheet ES201, drawings notes #6: How far away is the communications closet in Bldg. 413B from the work area in Bldg. 411A?
   - *Assume 200ft.*
15. Fire alarm devices that are to be installed in Bldg. 411A are to be tied into an existing fire alarm panel. How far away is this fire alarm panel from the work area?
   - *The fire alarm panel for the entire VA facility is located in building 318, located 1800ft north of the work area.*
16. Do the geothermal wells need to be 250 feet deep per the drawings? Or can they be drilled to a depth to meet the heating and cooling requirements per the drawings?
   - *Contractor shall bid on providing wells which are 250ft deep as indicated on the design drawings.*
17. Finish Specs AL100 is noted as Armstrong but the type of tile and grid is USG – please clarify which of the manufactures to use?
   - *Contractor shall provide ACT as specified in Construction Manual. (Mars ClimaPlus High NRC by USG. (86185))*
18. The USG and Armstrong Manufactures don't carry 3" perimeter trim, Can that be 2" or 4" Note3/A200?
   - *Provide a 4" Perimeter trim*
19. Wall type E1 is on (3) perimeter walls, should it be on all (4) walls?
   - *Wall type E1 will be used at exterior wall only (perimeter walls)*