

Q and MDE Response for TORFP U00B4400022 Permit Modernization

Q: On the table on page 31, there is 450 hours listed in column B for the “Total for Base Year” line item as well as 450 hours listed for “Total for Option Year 1” line item. Can you please confirm if these numbers are intended to be in column B, or if this is a typo?

MDE Response: Yes, the hours are intended to be in column B.

As noted at the top of Page 31:

"The total class hours (Column B) are not to be construed as “guaranteed” hours; the total number of hours is an estimate only for purposes of price proposal evaluation. Allot the total hours across any labor categories that the Master Contractor might use to fulfill work orders in support of this TORFP."

Q: Regarding the schedule of Deliverables in TORFP section 2.8.4 on pages 19 and 20:

Deliverables are due at NTP +15, +45, +150, and +250 business days. This schedule leaves gaps of 5 months between the 2nd and 3rd delivery dates, and another 5 months between the 3rd and 4th delivery dates. Would the MDE consider shortening those gaps by agreeing to interim deliverables based either on specific milestones or percentage of completion of the Functional Requirements Document and the TORFP? Closing the gaps will improve the contractor’s cash flow, given that invoices may be submitted only upon completion and acceptance of deliverables, as stipulated section 2.12 on page 22 of the TORFP. And it would also benefit the project by adding control points for better quality management.

MDE Response: Please refer to Section 2.8.4, which states: "The TO Contractor may propose other subtasks, artifacts, due dates or deliverables to improve the quality and success of assigned tasks."

Q: Regarding Requirement ID # 2.8.4.4 on page 20:

The requirement calls for delivery of preliminary human resource estimates for the TEMPO modernization project at NTP +15 business days. We believe that the value of estimates made so early in the schedule is questionable. Although the requirement does refer to the estimates as “preliminary”, we suggest that moving the deliverable to later in the schedule will greatly improve its validity. Would MDE consider changing the delivery date to perhaps NTP + 120 business days?

MDE Response: Please refer to response to Question #1.

Q: Regarding paragraph 2.12.3.A on page 22:

The TORFP specifies that MDE may request additional contractor resources in “pre-approved Labor Categories”. Can MDE please provide some information about the types of services that may potentially be requested so that we can propose relevant labor categories?

MDE Response: The types of additional services would relate to scope for tasks that may have been overlooked in Section 2, Scope of Work of the TORFP, that become apparent as the project is executed.