

#### AMENDMENT NO.3 TO SOLICITATION

TO: ALL VENDORS

FROM: Kevin Sanders, Procurement Manager

SUBJECT: SOLICITATION NUMBER: USC-RFP-2324-KS Construction Audit Service

DATE: November 1, 2012

This Amendment No.3 modifies the Request for Proposal only in the manner and to the extent as stated herein.

#### Vendor questions and answers

BIDDER SHALL ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF AMENDMENT NO.3 IN THE SPACE PROVIDED BELOW AND RETURN IT WITH THEIR BID RESPONSE. FAILURE TO DO SO MAY SUBJECT BID TO REJECTION.

Authorized Signature

Name of Offeror

Date

#### **RFP Questions**

 Given the \$25K cap for all costs and the Co-Source label, it may be implied that the scope of this RFP is more of an advisory and oversight function of USC's IA department efforts rather than hands on analysis and report generation. Is this the intent of USC? If not, please elaborate on the USC's expectations for the successful bidder.

# It is expected that the successful bidder will be more involved at the beginning but as the department's capabilities grow, the bidder will assume a more advisory role.

2. In addition to the answer of the above question, can you provide details as to the level of participation that can be expected by the USC's IA department? In particular, how many people will be assigned to the project and to what extent will they participate in the data gathering, analysis and report writing?

# The USC Internal Audit department will perform a majority of the data gathering, analysis, and report writing. At a minimum, at least one FTE audit staff member will be assigned to the engagement.

3. The RFP does not indicate that USC wants a closeout Audit as part of the process. Can you confirm this?

### A closeout audit is preferred as part of the service.

4. Please provide additional details as to the level of training that USC expects. Does USC want just hand on training, formal classroom training or something else?

### Hands-on training is sufficient.

5. The scope indicates the contract period is from 2012-2017. However, the project is slated to be completed in 2013. Is it correct to assume that the quarterly visits will only occur during the duration of the project.

# You should expect quarterly visits to occur through the audit engagement period which includes the closeout audit process.

6 What is the total construction value?

#### \$83,800,000.

7 Do you have an anticipated date with regard to when the audit review will take place?

# Contractor submitted payment applications and change orders will be reviewed on a quarterly basis.

8 The RFP specifies a word version is to be delivered on the CD. As we have various charts, etc. that goes into our final RFP, is a PDF version acceptable?

### Yes, PDF format is acceptable.

9 What is the anticipated level of involvement from USC with regard to co-sourcing?

It is expected that the successful bidder will be more involved at the beginning but as the department's professional capabilities grow, the bidder will assume a more advisory role.

10 Do the minority participation and off shore contracting forms need to be included in the RFP?

This is a service RFP. Subcontractor off shore contracting are not considered.

11 How many prime contractors?

#### Five.

12 Will any of the subcontracted work be performed on a GMP or Time and Material basis?

No.

13 RFP#USC\_RFP-2324-KS indicates the construction of the Darla Moore School of Business is the project in scope. Could you provide the type of contract (Fixed Price, GMP, Unit Price, etc.) secured by the University of South Carolina for this project?

#### Fixed price.

14 RFP#USC\_RFP-2324-KS indicates co-sourcing arrangement with the Audit & Advisory Services. Will there be one or more staff assisting through the scope of the project?

#### There will be at least one staff member of the department assisting with this project.

15 What type of contract is involved, Construction Manager at Risk, Design-Build?

#### Fixed price.

16 Who is the Construction Manager/Design Builder for this project?

#### CM Agent is Gilbane/Cummins.

17 Where will the job cost records be located?

University of South Carolina Facilities, 743 Greene Street.

18 What is the current status of the construction project and what is the timetable for completion?

### 20 percent complete, ECD December 2013.

19 How many quarterly meetings are anticipated, and is it required to be performed in person, or can they be accomplished via teleconference?

# In person is preferred. You should expect quarterly visits to occur through the audit engagement period which includes the closeout audit process.

20 Under the additional task you request an hourly rate. Is this rate to be the melded rate for all personnel assigned to the job or would you like rates by classification of personnel?

### Rate classification by personnel is preferred.

21 What is the final contract value for the School of Business?

#### \$106,500,000.

22 Were the general conditions contracted as a lump sum amount or are they reimbursable?

#### Lump sum.

23 Were the general requirements contracted as a lump sum or are they reimbursable?

#### Lump sum.

24 Did the contractor self-perform any of the scope of work?

#### Yes.

25 Is the University looking for a particular format relative to the submission of the cost of the construction? If so, will you please provide this information?

#### No specific format is required.

26 Have any contingency requests been approved by the University in a similar manner as change orders?

No.

27 If the project is close to completion, how many change orders are there and how many contingency use requests were granted?

Not close to completion, less than ten Change Orders and no Contingency Requests.

28 Is there an Owner Controlled Insurance Program, OCIP? Does the Contractor provide all the insurance?

# Contractor provides all insurance. University of South Carolina carries additional builders risk insurance.

29 Did the University agree with the Contractor on any fixed rates or percentages, such as percentages for insurance coverage, rates for vehicle costs, computer costs, or sub-guard rates?

No.

30 Does the University have guidelines they expect for testing and sampling of costs?

## No formal testing/sampling guidelines exist.

31 Does the University expect the engagement to be completed under consulting standards or as an attestation engagement?

The engagement can be completed under consulting standards. It is expected that the successful bidder will be more involved at the beginning but as the department's capabilities grow, the bidder will assume a more advisory/consulting role.

32 What is the nature and amount of the contract with the Architect? Is it a lump sum contract, or are there accountable/reimbursable amounts included in the contract?

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