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AMENDMENT FIVE (5) RFP-013-C-2020 (P) Territorial Solicitation for Architectural and Engineering (A/E) Services for the Hospitals in the U.S. Virgin Islands.

QUESTION AND ANSWER

1. **Question:** Since all proposals shall be electronically submitted, what is the maximum size of the Digital Copy of the proposals does your email system will accept? Files sizes of 10 mega, 15 mega or larger?

Response: Anything over 10 Mgs sometimes creates some challenges and not let the files through. Please make sure that each project is submitted in a separate email.

2. **Question:** Has FEMA obligated the PWs to the GVI for the reconstruction and new hospital?

Response: No, however, when obligated, they will be obligated specifically to each individual facility.

3. **Question:** Has FEMA prepared and obligated PWs related to the Architectural and Engineering services for all projects (A,B,C & D)?

Response: Yes

4. **Question:** The applicant (The Hospital Redevelopment Team) under which FEMA prepared the PWs, opted to have the PWs prepared using the Section 428 Alternate Procedures of the Public Assistance of the Stafford Act?

Response: Yes

5. **Question:** Do any of the projects (A thru D) have monies allocated under the FEMA's 404 HMGP? If so, are the approved scope of work under the HMGP part of the services to be provided by the bidders?

Response: No.

6. **Question:** Are there any As-built Drawings available for the existing facilities found in the RFP? If so, in what format can they be provided to the winning bidder, PDF, CAD, Revit?

Response: No

7. **Question:** For Project A, the RFP calls for a Three Dimensional (3D) model. Is the 3D model a virtual model (digital) or a physical model? If it's a physical model, at what scale shall it be built?

Response: The 3D model is a virtual model.

8. **Question:** The RFP states that the winning bidder must submit the drawings in the approved software. What is the approved software, AutoCAD, Revit, MicroStation?

Response: The latest current version of AutoCAD

9. **Question:** For Project C (CKCI) it states in Section 2 Project Description (page 52): *"It should be noted that the cost proposal to be submitted must identify the Interim and the Reconstruction as two separate proposals due to the fact each project is represented as two independent projects pursuant to FEMA funding"*. Please clarify the "Interim" project for CKCI since there is no clear mention of the "Interim" project under the descriptions for Project C. Is CKCI going to share an area in the Interim project described in Project B (RLSH), or is it a separate Interim project?

Response: That sentence should be stricken from Section 2 Project Description. It does not apply to CKCI.

10. **Question:** Please confirm that it is acceptable for a licensed Prime contractors, together with their team of qualified subcontractors, to collectively serve as the "Respondent" in response to the RFP requirements, including Qualifications, Past Performance, Technical

Capability, and Experience. This would allow for greater value to the USVI in terms of lower costs and efficiencies, while also balancing the use of local MBE/WBE and A-E firms with hospital/healthcare facility experience.

Response: It is acceptable.

11. **Question:**Is JCAHO accreditation a requirement in this RFP?

Response: Yes.

12. **Question:** How will the four projects be awarded? Will the proposals be individually reviewed and awarded with the potential for up to four designers being selected, each one with a different firm? Or will some of the projects be grouped together and awarded to one designer?

Response: Each project will be evaluated separately with a potential of having a minimum of two awardees. The project for JFL will be awarded independently of the SRMC facilities. There is a potential for the SRMC facilities to be awarded to one designer or multiple designers.

13. **Question:**To what extent will FEMA be involved in the review and section process for these projects? To what extent will FEMA be involved in the design and construction phases of these projects.

Response: FEMA will not be involved in the review, selection, design and construction process of these projects.

ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS REMAIN UNCHANGED.

BIDDERS MUST ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF THIS AMENDMENT WITH
THEIR BID PROPOSAL.