

Questions and Answers to RFP DTFR53-02-R-00011

1. Is there a bidders list and if yes, where can I access it?

A bidders list is not available.

2. Will there be a price evaluation adjustment for teaming with small Businesses?

There will not be a price evaluation for teaming with a small business.

3. Is the client expecting full time dedicated people or is a team approach of qualified staff acceptable?

The type of contract we anticipate awarding will be a Cost Plus Fixed Fee, Indefinite Delivery/ Indefinite Quantity type contract. Because of the unknowns of this type of contract, expectations for full time dedicated staff or a team approach with qualified staff will be expected on each individual task order. The client encourages collaboration with other individuals, organizations and institutions.

5. What is the expected date of contract award?

The expected date of contract award is 7/28/2003

6. Is the umbrella budget to be submitted for the 1-year base and two 2-year option periods for a total of 5-years?

Yes, the contract will be for a total of five years if all option years are exercised.

7. There is a reference on pg. 50, under (2) Key Personnel regarding Attachment "B" for key personnel resumes. Please clarify if we should proceed with resumes as per instructions in this section without Attachment B, or if not, how to obtain Attachment B.

Please proceed with resumes as per instructions without Attachment B. The reference to Attachment B will be deleted from the solicitation via amendment.

8. Is this new work or re-competition of an existing contract?

This is a solicitation for new work.

9. If this is a re-compete, what was the award amount of the last contract?

This solicitation is not a re-compete.

10. If this is a re-compete who is the current incumbent?

This solicitation is not a re-compete

11. If this new work is similar work being performed under an existing contract, and if so, by whom?

Similar work is not being performed under an existing contract.

12. It is not clear to what extent FRA believes the use of safety, in particular, railway safety professionals is essential to the successful completion of the work to be performed under this contract. The statement of work does not discuss the importance of their use. Would a team composed solely of research and evaluation professionals be considered acceptable?

A team composed solely of research and evaluation professionals is considered acceptable. Input from railway safety professionals is highly desirable.

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