

CONSTRUCTION INSPECTIONS-BUFFALO FIELD OFFICE

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

1. On page #1, the solicitation identifies an estimated quantify of "75" with a description of "units." In order to develop an informed bid, we request a clarification regarding the definition of "unit."

1.a. Is each "unit" referenced a separate, stand-alone multi-family construction project? **Under "unit" you will see "ea" which is for stands for each meaning the price for each inspection. Seventy Five inspections is the estimated amount of inspections for a 12 month period.**

1.b. If each "unit" is a stand-alone project, does the RFP require bidders to assume construction oversight from pre-construction through construction close-out and issuance of the "permission to occupy" form HUD 5379? **N/A**

1.c. If each project is unique (our assumption), will HUD provide information critical to developing an informed bid? We request the following information for each project; a) start or projected start date, b) project phase at contract start date, c) completion or projected completion date, d) identify if the project new construction or renovation, e) identify the estimated budget for the project (if available), f) identify the estimated number of units involved/affected, g) county in which the project is located. We have attached a spreadsheet to provide the requested information and attached it in both Excel and .pdf. **Each potential offeror is required to provide a price based on the Statement of Work provided. Information about each project is given to the Contractor at the time of assignment.**

2. Page 8 Section N: the last sentence makes reference to a Section IV, but the RFP does not appear to contain a Section IV? **That sentence should be taken out.**

3. Page 9 Section F: "Additional Services Travel" requires clarification. It seems to read that this proposal is to include travel costs required for additional services requested. Will HUD please confirm that this means the contractor will be allowed to negotiate pricing for additional but as of yet undetermined services and that such pricing shall

include travel? **Section F should be omitted. It does not apply.**

4. Page 10 Evaluation Factors, Factor #3 - Licensing/Certification: Since the State of New York does not have a State Builders License, will a California General Building Contractors license meet the State Builder's License requirement? **Yes.**

5. Due to the solicitation being required to be returned to the Contracting Officer by 9/21/12, we respectfully request a two week extension after the responses to the questions are posted for the contract submittal date in order to review the responses and provide an informed quote for the solicitation. **At this time there is no extension. All extensions will be at the discretion of the Contracting Officer.**

6. Who is the current incumbent? Is the incumbent a small business? **There is no incumbent.**

7. What is the existing contract number? **Not applicable**

8. How does HUD propose to handle projects that are delayed beyond the contract period of performance due to factors beyond the contractor's control? **Each situation will be evaluated on a case by case basis by the Government Technical Representative.**

9. Can the bid be broken down separately for the West Counties and the East Counties of NYS or must I make one bid for all the counties in NYS? **You must submit one price per inspection. That will be for doing all the counties in Buffalo.**

10. Re: Evaluation Factors, Prior Experience - Since I have been a Compliance Inspector for HUD for the last 18 years, do I still need to submit my entire work experience as a qualified inspector? **You need to submit only the required documents as specified in the Solicitation.**