S26515 Attachment IV – Bidders’ Questions and Responses

Human Portable Radiation Detection (Backpacks)

1. **Will training designed to meet ANSI-42.37 standards satisfy the City’s training requirements?**

   Not fully. What is not covered in the ANSI standards are local procedures and processes. Those details may need to be added to the vendor’s previously developed training scheme in order to meet our requirements. These details will be provided to the selected vendor with plenty of time to reach an agreeable program. The intent is not to make this difficult for the vendors but to instead have a work product that is beneficial for the region and the STC program.

2. **Is the STC training curriculum available for review?**

   Not for open distribution. The regional Conops and similar documents are FOUO and will be released to the selected vendor.

3. **Under Human Portable Radiation Detectors in section 2.1.2 System’s Software “Output data in ANSI N42.42-2012 and N42.42-2016 compliant formats” under Section B, 2.0 Minimum Specifications, on page 5 of ITB document: as indicated earlier, as of today, ANSI 42.42-2012 seems to be the current version, i.e. ANSI N42.42-2016 does not exist so please kindly modify the requirement to read “Output data in ANSI N42.42-2012 (or later if officially release by IEEE/ANSI on or before please pick a reasonable date) compliant formats”**

   Output data must be in ANSI N42.42-2012 compliant format.

4. **For the Minority, Women, Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (MWDBE requirement please define how the goal of 11% is to be met? Does the MWDBE need to be certified with Houston or can the MWDBE be located anywhere including outside the US? As the COTS solution has suppliers based on technological merit does the 11% only pertain to non-hardware items such as operator manuals?**

   The MWBE goal is 11%. This goal will be only allocated to the Houston based companies whom are MWBE certified. A MWBE certified company may have office in another country as long as the majority employees are located in Houston office and the company certified under MWBE category which is acceptable.


   We are requiring that a repaired RIID be certified to the same performance level as when it was manufactured and delivered after procurement. This calibration certification can be internal or third party, whoever you normally use. We are looking for proof that the damage was repaired and that the unit is performing with specifications.

6. **Bid page, please clarify what the close date in May refers to?**

   The solicitation due date for this bid S26515 still remains the same as on 3/29/2018. The reason that I changed the date in our bid page to reflect to the same solicitation due date; In other word, the bid will be closed on 3/29/2018 as same as the solicitation due date in our bid page.

7. **Can one vendor submit multiple bids with different configuration? By doing so will a 2nd bid overwrite the 1 bid?**
If your company has several models that meet specifications, a bid for each model doesn’t override each other. For example, if there is a model with no directionality and one that has directionality, they will each be considered against the other competing products for cost and functionality.

8. **Specification 2.1.3**, display dose rate in at least the following units: microrem/h and microSv/h. Units should auto range. Is it required to display microSv/h and microrem/h at the same time?

   It does not need to read both values simultaneously. Just have the ability to user select which value system to use.