

Massachusetts School Building Authority
Addendum No. 2: Questions and Answers
MSBA-RFR-AccRepOPM-2024
April 25, 2024

1. **Question:** If this is a recompetitve OPM agreement, would you please provide a list of the incumbent firms?

Answer: The following OPM firms were selected from the last OPM procurement in 2021:

- Anser Advisory
- Arcadis U.S., Inc.
- Architectural Consulting Group, Inc.
- Colliers Project Leaders
- exPERTcon, Inc.
- Hill International (New England), Inc.
- LEFTFIELD, LLC
- NV5 Consultants, Inc.
- PCA360
- Project Planning Professionals (P-Three, Inc.)
- STV | DPM (STV Construction, Inc.)
- THE VERTEX COMPANIES, INC.
- Watermark

2. **Question:** We noticed a minor discrepancy on the proposal submission due date within the RFR and request clarification / confirmation. Pg 8 notes response deadline is May 2nd at 3PM. Pg 12 notes proposals are due May 3 by 3PM. The Central Registry includes the May 2nd at 3pm deadline so we presume that is the official date, but we just want to be sure.

Answer: Responses are due by 3:00 PM on May 2, 2024. Please see Addendum No. 1.

3. **Question:** I just want to make sure that including a signed copy of Attachment B in our submission satisfies the Mandatory Certifications requirements:

- 1) Certification of Compliance with Massachusetts Child Care Laws
- 2) Certification of Compliance with the Revenue Enforcement and Protection Program
- 3) Certification Regarding Companies Doing Business in Northern Ireland
- 4) Certification of Disclosure
- 5) Certification of No Conflicting Relationship
- 6) Certificate Statement Regarding Criminal Actions and Pending Litigation
- 7) Certification of Solvency
- 8) Certification of Minimum Qualifications (if applicable)

- 9) Certification of Good Standing and Licensure
- 10) Statement of Compliance with RFR Requirements
- 11) Statement of Confidentiality

Answer: Yes, submitting a completed and signed Attachment B satisfies the Mandatory Certifications requirement. Please make sure all certifications and statements have an answer associated with them.

4. **Question:** Could you please confirm that an SDO certified MBE firm like our does not need any other MBE, WBE, VBE, etc., partners/subconsultants to receive full credit of five (5) points for their participation. In other words, can we use ourselves to fulfill the 100% participant requirements. If not, please advise what categories of the OPM work for this RFR can be done by subconsultant(s)?

Answer: The MSBA does not award points to prime bidders that are SDO certified. One of the goals of awarding up to 5 additional points in this procurement is to encourage prime bidders to partner with SDO certified firms. Per the RFR, "The MSBA is committed to developing and strengthening Minority Business Enterprises (MBE), Women Business Enterprises (WBE), Veteran Business Enterprises (VBE), Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Business Enterprises (SDVOBE), Disability-Owned Business Enterprises, LGBT Business Enterprises, Minority Nonprofit Organizations (M/NPO), and Women Nonprofit Organizations (W/NPO) and expanding equal opportunity in the primary and secondary industries affected by this RFR. Please note, completion of a Supplier Diversity Program Plan Form (Attachment D) by a Respondent is NOT mandatory for the purposes of the MSBA's review of a Response. However, if a Respondent is a certified SDO business or has an SDO partner, the Respondent should complete the form to the extent possible. **Respondents that clearly demonstrate the intent to further the development of the business enterprises and organizations listed above or the existence of a relationship which does further those goals may receive favorable consideration.** If the Form is not completed or provided with a Response, the MSBA will assume that it was omitted intentionally."

END OF ADDENDUM NO. 2