

Question Number (Tech - xx); (Sol -xx)	Document, Page #, Paragraph #	Question	Proposed Answer
11-001	Amendment 0011, Page 2 paragraph 6	This paragraph states that when submitting a revised proposal, offerors must submit the entire volume that contains a revision. Question: If there are no other changes to Volume 1 other than the signed Amendment 0011 is it permissible for offerors to submit just the signed amendment and NOT the entire Volume 1?	If there are no changes to Volume 1, Offerors shall provide a statement acknowledging that there are no changes to Volume I and may then submit only the signed Amendments without resubmitting the entire Volume 1. For Volumes II and IV, however, Offerors must submit the entire volume that contains a revision, and failure to submit the entire Volume II and/or IV that contains revisions will render the Offeror's proposal incomplete. The proposal will not be further evaluated and will not be further considered for award.
11-002	Solicitation	Was Amendment 10 published or did government skip and go directly to Amendment 11?	Reference Amendment 0011, Section A "Amendment 0010 will not be used in this solicitation."
11-003	Amend 0011 Letter Paragraph 2	The letter is requesting a revised proposal using a new Performance Work Statement dated 10 March 2014 which will more than likely postpone the contract award date. Since estimated labor costs in the base period will be affected by a wage increase for CBA positions as of 10/1/14 can the government please provide a revised anticipated award date so the costs for the CBA positions can be properly estimated?	Please note that amendment 0013 amends the PWS to version dated 26 March 2014. The Government anticipates award in the fourth quarter of FY14.
11-004	Amend 0011 Letter Paragraph 4	The letter is requesting any changes to the original proposal must be clearly identified by using track changes or red font. With the likely change in anticipated start date affecting the estimated costs for CBA positions in the base period and the revised Performance Work Statement changing the LOE there will be a change to large number of cells in the Cost Proposal. Will the government consider dropping the requirement to identify changes by the use of track changes or red font for the Cost Volume?	Track changes are required for Volume II, Technical; however, track changes are not required, nor desired by the Government, for Volume IV, Cost Volume. As a reminder, for Volumes II and IV, Offerors must submit the entire volume if it contains a revision, and failure to do so will render the Offeror proposal incomplete. The proposal will not be further evaluated and will not be further considered for award.
11-005	n/a	What is the anticipated award date?	The Government anticipates award in the fourth quarter of FY14.
11-006	Attachment 0008 Collective Bargaining Agreement, Article 27, page 22	Could the Government please provide job descriptions for the CBA job titles?	Attachment 0008 CBA Article 27, page 22, provides the classification of employees. The CBA provides no further job descriptions beyond this classification.
11-007	Amend 0011, page 13, paragraph L.5.3.2.7.3	In most of the file submissions from subcontractors, the required file names are "Offeror's_Name_Sub_Name....." For this file submission requirement it is "Offerors_Name_Vol_4_Att0018". Can you please clarify the file naming convention? Should the "Offerors_Name" be the prime contractor or the subcontractor name?	The file name should be titled "Teammate/subcontractor_Name_Vol_4_Att0018."
11-008	Amendment 0011, PWS, Paragraph C-5	Transportation Performance Requirement Summary (PRS), no page or paragraph number, states in the header information RAIL OPERATIONS – Reserved. Under the Requirement column, entry 6, states "Movement of DODX Railcars". Under the STANDARD column of the entry, item "b. Quality: DODX cars will be completely and safely moved". Is the contractor responsible for the actual physical movement of the DODX cars by contractor personnel or is the contractor responsible for coordination of the DODX car movements?	IAW PWS Para 5.26.2 as stated in the CDRL, "The contractor shall coordinate all rail head operations with the Installation Transportation Officer." - There is no PWS or CDRL task requiring the Contractor to physically move Rail Cars. The Contractor is responsible for ensuring that movement is coordinated and performed via the ITO.
11-009	TE 1 M-S-T-001 Minimum Productive Hours -final and Collective Bargaining Agreement (Attachment 0008), Pages 18 and 19, Paragraphs A. and B.	In reviewing the minimum productive hours contained in TE 1 M-S-T-001, it is apparent that it utilizes 1920 annual hours per FTE. Using 1920 hours per FTE, the minimum FTE count is 31. However, the Collective Bargaining Agreement calls out 10 holidays (80 hours) and 11 vacation days (88 hours) after one year of service under the CBA. If you deduct these hours from the total available hours per year (2080), the productive hours per FTE is 1912 hours. If an offeror proposes the minimum number of FTEs (31) using productive hours of 1912, the Grand Total Minimum Productive Hours will be shy of the total called out in TE 1 M-S-T-001 by a total of 248 hours (31 FTE X 8 hours). Is this acceptable or must the minimum number of total hours (59,520) be met? Alternatively, would the Government accept that managers not covered under TE 1 M-S-T-001 would fill in the gaps to cover the 8 hr/yr/FTE for each of the 31 FTEs?	The Government's base for calculating minimum productive hours was changed to 1900 in lieu of 1920. The CBA productive hours is 1900 per year. Please see Amendment 0013 for revised workload data (Exhibit AJ TE1 M-S-T-001).

11-010	Performance Work Statement, Section C-1 Page 5, paragraph 1.3.2.1.4	<p>The PWS states "The contractor will provide a full-time, on-site, quality control manager who possesses not less than 15 years experience in the field of quality control and, at a minimum, an associate's degree or other applicable technical certification. The quality control manager will be distinct and separate from the project manager office and will report directly to the contractor's corporate management team."</p> <p>Does the requirement to have the Quality Control Manager distinct and separate from the Project Management Office preclude the offeror from bidding this position as direct labor and including the labor costs in the PMO cell and allocating them appropriately?</p>	<p>No, this position may reside within an offeror's PMO section and may be directly invoiced to the contract. The requirement for the separation is to provide appropriate quality control that is not influenced by the local management.</p>
11-011	Performance Work Statement, Section C-1 Page 5, paragraph 1.3.2.1.4	<p>The PWS states "When required the contractor will provide on-site quality control personnel (e.g., supervisors or inspectors) in support of the requirements of this contract who possess not less than 12 years experience (supervisors), or 10 years experience (inspectors), in their field of quality control and, at a minimum, an associate's degree or other applicable technical certification related to the specific area being inspected. The contractor shall determine, based on requirements the number of QA personnel (e.g., supervisors or inspectors) and their specific qualifications. Use of alternate position titles (e.g., operations analyst or inspector) does not eliminate the requirement for these personnel qualifications. Applicability is directly related to functions performed by the contractor employee."</p> <p>Since this Quality Assurance support is only performed as required, and is assumed to be temporary in nature, does the Government expect these services to be covered under overhead and not directly invoiced?</p>	<p>No, this position may reside within an offeror's PMO section, its section performing the effort being inspected, and may be directly invoiced to the contract. The term "when required" is to allow offerors the flexibility in proposing given each offeror's business system is proprietary and may differ in compliance with regulatory requirements and ISO procedures. Further, as indicated in the PWS, due to the performance nature of the effort, not all functions are specifically called out; offerors must rely on past experience to ensure all requirements are provided for. Additionally, Exhibit TE1 M-S-T-001 provides only the minimum productive hours that offerors must meet or exceed.</p>
11-012	Performance Work Statement, Section C-1 Page 6, paragraph 1.3.2.1.5 and Page 19, paragraph 5.16.2	<p>PWS 1.3.2.1.5 states "The contractor shall provide a full time on-site Application Database Manager (ADBM) to utilize and maintain Government provided automated systems operations, such as, but not limited to: SAMS, SARSS and Hazardous Material Management System (HMMS). The ADBM must be highly qualified in all aspects of computer operations, data base management and possess a minimum of a four (4) year degree in computer science, software engineering or an applicable computer related field or must have not less than 10 years experience in the Information Technology arena that has provided the required type of support indicated at a level commensurate with this requirement. The ADBM must be able to work independently with little to no reach back required in order to efficiently and effectively execute the duties of the ADBM. This position is not contemplated as an SCA computer operator / computer systems analyst / computer programmer position but rather as a bona fide database manager."</p> <p>PWS 5.16.2 states "The contractor shall provide a full time on-site, properly qualified, Application Database Manager (ADBM) to utilize a Government provided automated system, Hazardous Material Management System (HMMS) to track, control, report usage by quantity, customer and dates, and disposition/disposal information and dates. The ADBM must have not less than 7 years specific experience and applicable education that supports this position. This is not an SCA position."</p> <p>Is there a requirement to have two ADBM positions, one to provide general database support from the project management office and one strictly responsible for HMMS to support the HAZMART, or is this position one in the same? If the requirement is for one ADBM that will provide support of all automated systems operations, please clarify the minimum qualifications (i.e. 10 years experience vs. 7 years experience).</p>	<p>Please refer to PWS 1.3.2.1.5 for the ADBM requirement. The level of experience required is 10 years as indicated in PWS 1.3.2.1.5.</p>
11-013	Amendment 0011 Letter, dated 12 March 2014	<p>Per Amendment Letter 0011 " Any changes made to the original proposal must be clearly identified by using tracked changes or red font ". Different colors were used in original proposal submission. Question: Can the Government clarify whether this also applies to the Offeror's and Teammate/Contractor's Volume 4 Cost/Prices file?</p>	<p>See Government Response to Question 11-004</p>

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13-001	Ex AJ per A0013 vice Ex AJ per A0011	Considering the magnitude/extensiveness of these changes and associated logistics of same (e.g., manloading & coordination w/teammates/subcontractors), respectfully request a three/3 - five/5 calendar day extension in the offer due date.	The time for receipt of proposals is extended to 12:00 pm CDT Friday 25 April.
13-002	Amendment 0013 Questions and Answers - Q&A No. 11-006 & Various Section L & M references	Are Offerors allowed to propose Service Contract Act (SCA) equivalent positions/labor categories in lieu of CBA positions?	The Offerors must determine which positions are covered by the CBA but may also propose EXEMPT or SCA positions to perform this work, if appropriate. EXEMPT and SCA positions may have different productive hours. Offerors may, at their discretion, propose fractional FTE's in order to meet or exceed the required minimum productive hours. Attachment 0008 CBA Article 27, page 22, provides the classification of employees. The CBA provides no further job descriptions beyond this classification.
13-003	Amendment 0013 Questions and Answers - Q&A No. 11-006 & Various Section L & M references	If the answer is in the affirmative allowing offerors to propose Service Contract Act (SCA) equivalent positions/labor categories in lieu of CBA labor classifications, does the Govt. have any criteria/parameters for offerors doing so?	The Offeror must identify its proposed labor categories (skill sets) with proposed staffing levels (number of employees) in Staffing/Labor Mix - Attachment 0002 by following the instructions as provided in Section L 5.2.1.3 of this solicitation as well as instructions provided in the Staffing/Labor Mix - Attachment 0002 (Attach_0002-Staffing_Labor_Mix.xlsx).
13-004	Amendment 0013 Questions and Answers - Q&A No. 11-006 & Various Section L & M references	If the answer is in the affirmative allowing offerors to propose Service Contract Act (SCA) equivalent positions/labor categories in lieu of CBA labor classifications and the Govt. does have criteria/parameters for offerors doing so, please provide what these criteria/parameters are	The Offeror must identify its proposed labor categories (skill sets) with proposed staffing levels (number of employees) in Staffing/Labor Mix - Attachment 0002 by following the instructions as provided in Section L 5.2.1.3 of this solicitation as well as instructions provided in the Staffing/Labor Mix - Attachment 0002 (Attach_0002-Staffing_Labor_Mix.xlsx).
13-005	Amendment 0013; Amendment 0013 letter-General.	With previous Amendments, a conformed solicitation was released on the ASFI web site along with the Amendment documents. As the ASFI page for this solicitation is inactive, is there going to be a conformed solicitation released with this Amendment? If so, could you please provide?	Due to systems limitations associated with this amendment, a conformed copy of the solicitation is not available at this time.
13-006	PWS Section 1.3.2.1.3 (Rev A011) Section Manager(s) / Supervisor(s) (KEY), p. 12 (C-1 p. 5); Exhibit AJ TE 1 M-S-T-001 (Rev A011) (p. 1-3). See also Note to Offerors per Exhibit AJ.	Are these individuals allowed to be included as part of the Minimum Productive Hours of TE 1 M-S-T-001?	The minimum productive hours provided by the government does not include managerial and/or supervisory time as indicated by the note to the offerors in the TE; however, in accordance with Sections L.5 2.1.3, M.3.4.2 and M.4.1.4, for Phase Two, Step One, the Government will evaluate an offeror's Attachment 0002 by including all FTEs that provide support for all of the required functions for this effort. Offerors must ensure that the proposed use of supervisors/managers for providing both direct, productive support and managerial duties/oversight are adequately identified on the Attachment 0002. For those offerors proceeding to Phase Two, Step Two, the Government will be evaluating the offeror's Attachment 0002 to determine if the proposed approach presents a labor mix to successfully perform all PWS requirements in accordance with M.4.1.4.
13-007	PWS Sect. 1.3.2.1.4 (Rev. A011) Quality Control Manager(s) / Supervisor(s) / Inspector(s) (KEY), p. 12 (C-1 p. 5). See also Note to Offerors per Exhibit AJ.	Please confirm that this full-time, on-site position is over & above (in addition to) the Minimum Productive Hours of TE 1 M-S-T-001.	The minimum productive hours provided by the government does not include managerial and/or supervisory time as indicated by the note to the offerors in the TE; however, in accordance with Sections L.5 2.1.3, M.3.4.2 and M.4.1.4, for Phase Two, Step One, the Government will evaluate an offeror's Attachment 0002 by including all FTEs that provide support for all of the required functions for this effort. Offerors must ensure that the proposed use of supervisors/managers for providing both direct, productive support and managerial duties/oversight are adequately identified on the Attachment 0002 to determine if the proposed approach presents a labor mix to successfully perform all PWS requirements in accordance with M.4.1.4.
13-008	PWS Sect. 1.3.2.1.4 (Rev. A011) Quality Control Manager(s) / Supervisor(s) / Inspector(s) (KEY), p. 12 (C-1 p. 5)	Please confirm that this position cannot be dual-hatted (same position) as the Project Manager IAW PWS Sect. 1 3.2.1.2 - "The PM has overall responsibility for the site's quality assurance / quality control (QA/QC)."	Per PWS Sect. 1.3.2.1.4, the quality control manager must be a "full-time" position. PWS-identified full-time requirements preclude dual-hatting. Furthermore, PWS Sect. 1 3.2.1.4 also states that the "quality control manager will be distinct and separate from the project manager office and will report directly to the contractor's corporate management team." The requirement that the QC manager be "separate and distinct" from the PM office precludes dual-hatting one person to be both the PM and the QC Manager. The statement in PWS Sect. 1 3.2.1.2 that the "PM has overall responsibility for the site's quality assurance / quality control (QA/QC)" means that the PM is responsible to ensure that there is a QC program in place at Detroit Arsenal that meets PWS requirements and that the QC program is followed. Offerors should not infer from this statement that one person can be dual-hatted as both the PM and the QC Manager.
13-009	PWS Sect. 1.3.2.1.5 Application Database Manager (KEY), p. 13 (C-1, p. 6); Exhibit AJ TE 1 M-S-T-001 (Rev A011) (p. 1-3). See also Note to Offerors per Exhibit AJ.	Please confirm that this full-time, on-site position is over & above (in addition to) the Minimum Productive Hours of TE 1 M-S-T-001.	The minimum productive hours provided by the government does not include managerial and/or supervisory time as indicated by the note to the offerors in the TE; however, in accordance with Sections L.5 2.1.3, M.3.4.2 and M.4.1.4, for Phase Two, Step One, the Government will evaluate an offeror's Attachment 0002 by including all FTEs that provide support for all of the required functions for this effort. Offerors must ensure that the proposed use of supervisors/managers for providing both direct, productive support and managerial duties/oversight are adequately identified on the Attachment 0002. For those offerors proceeding to Phase Two, Step Two, the Government will be evaluating the offeror's Attachment 0002 to determine if the proposed approach presents a labor mix to successfully perform all PWS requirements in accordance with M.4.1.4.
13-010	A0012, p. 2 - "Due to the amount of questions received in response to	The Questions and Answers issued with Amendment 00013 were only two pages long. Based on this, are there any more (pre-Amendment 0013) questions to be answered?	No, Offerors were provided the Government's responses to relevant questions received in response to Amendment 0011.

13-011	PWS Sect. 1.3.2.1.2 Project Manager, et al. other references to Managers/Supervisors, e.g., 1 3.2.1.3 Section Manager(s) / Supervisor(s). See also Note to Offerors per Exhibit AJ.	Can Managers/Supervisors be allowed to satisfy (perform) the minimum productive hours of Exhibit AJ?	The minimum productive hours provided by the government does not include managerial and/or supervisory time as indicated by the note to the offerors in the TE; however, in accordance with Sections L.5 2.1.3, M.3.4.2 and M.4.1.4, for Phase Two, Step One, the Government will evaluate an offeror's Attachment 0002 by including all FTEs that provide support for all of the required functions for this effort. Offerors must ensure that the proposed use of supervisors/managers for providing both direct, productive support and managerial duties/oversight are adequately identified on the Attachment 0002. For those offerors proceeding to Phase Two, Step Two, the Government will be evaluating the offeror's Attachment 0002 to determine if the proposed approach presents a labor mix to successfully perform all PWS requirements in accordance with M.4.1.4.
13-012	PWS Sect. 1.3.2.1.2 Project Manager, et al. other references to Managers/Supervisors, e.g., 1 3.2.1.3 Section Manager(s) / Supervisor(s)	If Managers/Supervisors are allowed to satisfy (perform) the minimum productive hours of Exhibit AJ, respectfully request the Govt. explain (e.g., under what circumstances) exactly when this allowed?	The minimum productive hours provided by the government does not include managerial and/or supervisory time as indicated by the note to the offerors in the TE; however, in accordance with Sections L.5 2.1.3, M.3.4.2 and M.4.1.4, for Phase Two, Step One, the Government will evaluate an offeror's Attachment 0002 by including all FTEs that provide support for all of the required functions for this effort. Offerors must ensure that the proposed use of supervisors/managers for providing both direct, productive support and managerial duties/oversight are adequately identified on the Attachment 0002. For those offerors proceeding to Phase Two, Step Two, the Government will be evaluating the offeror's Attachment 0002 to determine if the proposed approach presents a labor mix to successfully perform all PWS requirements in accordance with M.4.1.4.
13-013	PWS Sect. 1.3.2.1.2 Project Manager, et al. other references to Managers/Supervisors, e.g., 1 3.2.1.3 Section Manager(s) / Supervisor(s) & 1 3.2.1.5 Application Database Manager	Considering the minimum qualifications of these individuals (e.g., education & years of experience), will the Govt. perform a price reasonableness and cost realism analysis on offeror's proposed salaries for these individuals?	Price reasonableness and cost realism analysis will be performed per RFP Sections: L. 5.3 2.7.1; L.5.3 2.7.6; M.3.4.3 Phase Three, IAW FAR 9.1.; M.4.2 Cost/Price Factor; M.4.2.1 Cost Realism Analysis; M.4.2.2 Total Evaluated Cost, IAW FAR 15.404-1(d).
13-014	Modification 0013, Page 2, Paragraph #5	In this paragraph, it states that either track changes or red font should be used to identify changes to Volume II - Technical of the original proposal. Since there has been a revision associated with Modification 11 (which also required changes to be tracked), does the term "original" actually mean the initial proposal or the revised proposal associated with Modification 11? If it means the Modification 11 revision which already includes the use of red font, should another color be selected to show changes over the the multiple submissions?	Amendment 0012 extended the RFP indefinitely, prior to the proposal due date for Amendment 0011. Therefore, there was technically not a revised proposal associated with Amendment 0011. Page 2, Paragraph #5 of Amendment 0013 refers to the initial proposal submitted 20 Dec 2013.
13-015	Amendment 0013, TE 1 M-S-T-001 Minimum Productive Hours. Supply.	The Supply Total Productive Hours is stated as 43,700 but, when totaled, the hours for the PWS Requirements/Shops actually equal 43,703. Please advise.	The Government utilized Excel to calculate the total productive hours for each functional area. The actual total productive hours for Supply is 43,700; however, the numbers as presented in the technical exhibit for each task are rounded to the nearest whole number, which resulted in the appearance that the productive hours for Supply should be higher (at 43,703) than the actual total provided. The Offeror's proposed staffing must meet, or exceed, the totals designated for each functional area as provided in the technical exhibit (Maintenance 5,700; Supply 43,700; and Transportation 9,500).