

<b>AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION/MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT</b>			1. CONTRACT ID CODE <b>S</b>	PAGE OF PAGES <b>1   5</b>
2. AMENDMENT/MODIFICATION NO. <b>0002</b>	3. EFFECTIVE DATE <b>21-Apr-2011</b>	4. REQUISITION/PURCHASE REQ. NO.		5. PROJECT NO.(If applicable)
6. ISSUED BY USA MED RESEARCH ACQ ACTIVITY 820 CHANDLER ST FORT DETRICK MD 21702-5014	CODE <b>W81XWH</b>	7. ADMINISTERED BY (If other than item 6) <b>See Item 6</b>		
8. NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONTRACTOR (No., Street, County, State and Zip Code)		X	9A. AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION NO. <b>W81XWH-11-R-0011</b>	
		X	9B. DATED (SEE ITEM 11) <b>30-Mar-2011</b>	
			10A. MOD. OF CONTRACT/ORDER NO.	
			10B. DATED (SEE ITEM 13)	
CODE	FACILITY CODE			
<b>11. THIS ITEM ONLY APPLIES TO AMENDMENTS OF SOLICITATIONS</b>				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The above numbered solicitation is amended as set forth in Item 14. The hour and date specified for receipt of Offer <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is extended, <input type="checkbox"/> is not extended. Offer must acknowledge receipt of this amendment prior to the hour and date specified in the solicitation or as amended by one of the following methods: (a) By completing Items 8 and 15, and returning <u>1</u> copies of the amendment; (b) By acknowledging receipt of this amendment on each copy of the offer submitted; or (c) By separate letter or telegram which includes a reference to the solicitation and amendment numbers. FAILURE OF YOUR ACKNOWLEDGMENT TO BE RECEIVED AT THE PLACE DESIGNATED FOR THE RECEIPT OF OFFERS PRIOR TO THE HOUR AND DATE SPECIFIED MAY RESULT IN REJECTION OF YOUR OFFER. If by virtue of this amendment you desire to change an offer already submitted, such change may be made by telegram or letter, provided each telegram or letter makes reference to the solicitation and this amendment, and is received prior to the opening hour and date specified.				
<b>12. ACCOUNTING AND APPROPRIATION DATA (If required)</b>				
<b>13. THIS ITEM APPLIES ONLY TO MODIFICATIONS OF CONTRACTS/ORDERS. IT MODIFIES THE CONTRACT/ORDER NO. AS DESCRIBED IN ITEM 14.</b>				
A. THIS CHANGE ORDER IS ISSUED PURSUANT TO: (Specify authority) THE CHANGES SET FORTH IN ITEM 14 ARE MADE IN THE CONTRACT ORDER NO. IN ITEM 10A.				
B. THE ABOVE NUMBERED CONTRACT/ORDER IS MODIFIED TO REFLECT THE ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES (such as changes in paying office, appropriation date, etc.) SET FORTH IN ITEM 14, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY OF FAR 43.103(B).				
C. THIS SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT IS ENTERED INTO PURSUANT TO AUTHORITY OF:				
D. OTHER (Specify type of modification and authority)				
E. IMPORTANT: Contractor <input type="checkbox"/> is not, <input type="checkbox"/> is required to sign this document and return _____ copies to the issuing office.				
<b>14. DESCRIPTION OF AMENDMENT/MODIFICATION (Organized by UCF section headings, including solicitation/contract subject matter where feasible.)</b>  The purpose of this modification is to provide answers to additional questions submitted to this solicitation.  As a result of this modification, the response due date for proposals is extended through 2 May 2011 at 12:00 PM. Local Time.  No further questions will be entertained.				
Except as provided herein, all terms and conditions of the document referenced in Item 9A or 10A, as heretofore changed, remains unchanged and in full force and effect.				
15A. NAME AND TITLE OF SIGNER (Type or print)		16A. NAME AND TITLE OF CONTRACTING OFFICER (Type or print)		
		TEL:	EMAIL:	
15B. CONTRACTOR/OFFEROR	15C. DATE SIGNED	16B. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA		16C. DATE SIGNED
_____ (Signature of person authorized to sign)		BY _____ (Signature of Contracting Officer)		21-Apr-2011

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**SUMMARY OF CHANGES**

SECTION SF 30 - BLOCK 14 CONTINUATION PAGE

The following have been added by full text:

RESPONSE TO ADDTL QUESTIONS

**Response to Additional Questions**

Continuation of Questions & Answers from RFP Amendment 0001:

Question 7: Please provide clarification of Government and Contract Staff for each location to include the farm?

**Answer 7: All staff: 19 Government caretakers (includes cagewash personnel); approximately 19 contract caretakers.**

Question 8: The 19 contract caretaking staff includes 3 LARF (farm) veterinary technicians. There are no Government employees working at the LARF.

**Answer 8: We have one Farm/Warehouse Manager that is currently hired under an existing contract with Ke'Aki. This position shall be required to be picked up by the successful Offeror to this solicitation so that all LARF personnel are under one contract.**

Question 9: What is the optional participation in ABSL 3 & ABSL 4 for the Animal Husbandry and Cagewash Services?

**Answer 9: Participation in ABSL 3 & ABSL 4 is not "optional". It is an optional CLIN in the contract that USAMRIID may choose to exercise if needed. Once exercised, USAMRIID will require the selected Contractor to fulfill USAMRIID's needs in that area. The specific numbers of qualified persons required for that option is listed in the solicitation.**

Question 10: Please provide clarification of the percentage of Containment vs. Non-Containment animals (per species).

**Answer 10: The vast majority of our NHPs are in non-containment (ABSL-2 and below) holding areas. This is approximately 90%-95% of our NHPs.**

**For other species, this cannot be predicted and depends on the current mission; though as a gross generalization USAMRIID can say that not more than 50% of their rodents are in containment at any given time.**

Question 11: What is the number of rooms in the Containment areas vs. Non-Containment areas (per building)?

**Answer 11: See RFP Amendment 0001, which was posted on 18 April 2011 for details.**

Question 12: Is the Contractor responsible for holding the SSBI Clearance for personnel who are working at the BSL3 and BSL4 facilities?

**Answer 12: No, the Government will initiate, execute and maintain clearances for all personnel in the BPRP. The selected Contractor is responsible for hiring personnel who are capable to fulfill BPRP and SIP requirements.**

Question 13: Does the Contract Staff share responsibilities between the buildings and work areas?

**Answer 13: Yes. Though a certain buildings or areas may be predominantly one set of workers or the other, depending on the needs of the mission at that time, Contractor personnel are expected to work side by side with Government personnel in accomplishing duties. Contractor personnel also are expected to receive and execute guidance in daily activities provided not only by the Government COR, but his/her designated representatives (as per the contract) as well.**

Question 14: Can the ORCA online program be utilized to satisfy the Reqs and Certs requirements?

**Answer 14: No. All Offerors shall respond to Section K Reqs and Certs requirements.**

Question 15: Security Requirements:

- a. RFP Page 87 incorporates FAR 52.204-2 Security Requirements. The clause states: “(a) this clause applies to the extent that this contract involves access to information classified ‘Confidential’, ‘Secret’, or ‘Top Secret’” and requires that the Contractor comply with the Security Agreement (DD Form 441), including the National Industrial Security Program Operating Manual (DoD 5220.22-M).
- b. The PWS, page 69, para. 4.9.1.b. requires some employees to have a “favorable or favorably adjudicated Single Scope Background Investigation (SSBI), processed with a SF86.
- c. However, there is no DD Form 254 Security Requirements in the RFP or indicated as being part of any resulting contract.
- d. We believe that a DD Form 254 would have to apply if access to classified is required. And, if access to classified is not required, we believe that an SSBI and SF86 is not warranted, and would not be processed by the security investigative agencies.

**Answer 15:**

**a. No classified information shall be accessed on this contract.**

**b. USAMRIID's Security requirement is for their Contractor personnel to have favorably completed SSBI (Single Scoped Background Investigation) through the Office of Personnel Management (OPM), Security Risk Assessment (SRA) and enrollment in the Biological Personnel Reliability Program (BPRP).**

**c. No DD254 is needed because this is not a classified contract**

**d. Same as 8c**

**Note: This is a requirement (Army) for personnel going in to the Personnel Reliability Program at USAMRIID to have a favorably adjudicated Single Scope Background Investigation. This came out in a directive 1 1/2 years ago and will be in the RAR of AR 50-1 due out this summer. Personnel do not need a clearance for the PRP - but they do need the investigation. Contract personnel, who shall be in the PRP and who do not require a clearance, have their personnel security investigation adjudicated by their Certifying Official. Any personnel going in CDC registered spaces shall be in the USAMRIID Personnel Reliability Program.**

Question 16: Service Contract Act Application:

RFP includes a DoL Wage Determination for Washington DC and its surrounding Virginia and Maryland areas, and also a "Statement of Equivalent Rates for Federal Hires" on page 98, which lists compensation for labor categories expected to be required for application to this work. In Section L the instructions for Pricing indicates that the offeror provides a price per month for the Base Year and Option Years. It also states that the offeror prices in accordance with the Service Contract Act and "**provisions of applicable wage determinations.**" Please clarify as to what the purpose is of the Equivalent Rates for Government Hires, and which governs in regards to the minimum compensation (direct labor and health and welfare) for applicable employees.

**Answer 16: The Statement of Equivalent Rates for Federal Employees is for informational purposes. Since this requirement is performance-based, Offerors shall determine the appropriate labor categories and wages for compliance with the DOL Wage Determination requirements.**

Question 17: Manpower Reporting: Please clarify – Does the Annual Labor Report required in para. 4.5.2 of the PWS (page 66) relate to the Contract Manpower Report required by CLIN 0003 of Section B?

**Answer 17: No. para. 4.5.2 of the PWS is a USAMRIID requirement, and CLIN 0003 (CMR) is a DoD Army reporting requirement.**

#### SECTION A - SOLICITATION/CONTRACT FORM

The required response date/time has changed from 29-Apr-2011 05:00 PM to 02-May-2011 12:00 PM.

(End of Summary of Changes)

