

RFP #PR-HQ-07-11982 – EMRAD Risk Assessment

QUESTIONS AND ANSWER #2

- 1) RFP Reference: EMRAD Risk Assessment Support Services
Attachment 7: *Instructions for the Preparation of Technical Proposals*
Part I. WRITTEN PROPOSAL
Section B. Required Sections of the Written Proposals
Paragraph 3. CORPORATE EXPERIENCE (P. 7-5 of 9)

The information requested by EMRAD related to example contracts submitted to illustrate corporate experience includes the following question regarding “vi. affiliation between offeror and client”.

Is this question directed towards showing any legal relationship between offeror and a non-government/commercial client? Specific examples of this type of corporate relationship might include, but would not be limited to, subsidiaries, joint ventures, and direct affiliation (% owned affiliates). Please provide further explanation to clarify the intent of this question.

EPA RESPONSE: Offeror(s) are not required to divulge substantial corporate history, but if a reference is cited, we would simply like to see the differentiation between external and internal customers. This is part of our due diligence.

- 2) Paragraph (c) in clause H.6 of the RFP is prohibitively broad, particularly for small subcontractors filling specialty areas on our team. Would the government consider narrowing the limitation of future contracting to encompass only instances where the contractor received a specific work assignment pertaining to municipal and/or waste regulation? We propose replacement of (c) in H.6 with the following:

“(c) Once the Contractor receives a work assignment on a particular regulation, during the life of such work assignment, absent advance written approval from the Contracting Officer, the Contractor shall not contract with another entity that would present an organizational conflict of interest on the subject matter of the work assignment. Potential or actual organizational conflict of interest may occur particularly when contracting with a party which:”

[retain sub-articles 1, 2, and 3 as-is].

EPA RESPONSE: Decline to revise. EPA COI clauses require the Offeror(s), Including proposed subcontractors/consultants to disclose any known potential or Actual conflicts of interest and then provide a plan to avoid, mitigate, or neutralize Any potential significant OCOI in order to receive award.