

**QUESTIONS GENERATED FROM THE MIAMISBURG CLOSURE PROJECT
(MCP) REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)
WEEK 5 (September 9-13, 2002)**

160. Referring to Section H.25 paragraph (d) on page 27, will the DOE fund the ongoing pension and retiree health and welfare benefits beyond 09/30/2006 and reimburse the contractor for the management and administrative costs associated with being sponsor of these plans? Please clarify the phrase "on a funding basis acceptable to DOE". Who will determine the funding basis? If the funding basis is not enough to fund the benefits, how does DOE propose to handle the shortfall?

Answer: During the final 12 months of this contract, the CO shall provide written direction to the contractor regarding all post-contract pension and welfare benefit plans.

161. How many samples are processed by the on-site laboratories, on annual basis, in the following matrix classifications?
- (a) Soil, Sediment, and Debris
 - (b) Water
 - (c) Urine
 - (d) Fecal

Answer: It is the responsibility of the offeror to structure a proposal that satisfies the requirements of the RFP. The DOE does not intend to provide the detailed level of information requested under the existing contract.

162. Is a discreet list available for the software that operates the measurement & testing equipment in the laboratory? For example, can the software that operates the gamma spectrometer be identified?

Answer: See the Property List on the SEB web site for equipment and model numbers.

163. How many Full-time Equivalents are employed by the on-site laboratories in the following classifications?
- (a) Management
 - (b) Non-Management

Answer: It is the responsibility of the offeror to structure a proposal that satisfies the requirements of the RFP.

164. Is a data structure map of the current environmental database available?

Answer: The data structure map will be provided on the SEB web site for information purposes only.

165. In your answer to Question No. 152, you indicated that DOE will not include DEAR 970.5232-2 in the RFP. Since DEAR 970.3270 (Standard financial management clauses) requires the insertion of DEAR 970.5232-2 (Payments and Advances) in all management and operating contracts and the RFP incorporates other clauses required to be included in management and operating contracts (from DEAR Part 970), we would like to understand why DOE will not include this clause. Please explain DOE's decision in this regard.

Answer: This RFP will not result in a Management and Operating Contract. However, it does include some of the DEAR Part 970 clauses.

166. In your answer to Question No. 153, you indicated that DOE will not use provisions for advance payments or the use of special financial institution accounts in the RFP. Since it is DOE's stated policy to finance management and operating contracts through advance payments and the use of special financial institution accounts (DEAR 970.3200), we would like to understand why DOE will not use these methods in this RFP. Please explain DOE's decision in this regard.

Answer: This RFP will not result in a Management and Operating Contract.

167. RFP Section L.16, Proposal Preparation Instructions - General, states "A page is defined as a single side of 8 1/2" x 11" paper. All pages of the proposal are to be submitted on 8 1/2" x 11" sheets - fold out sheets are allowed only for maps, tables and figures." Are fold out sheets for maps, tables and figures counted as one (1) page or two (2) pages?

Answer: One page.

168. When might we anticipate receiving additional information concerning how the orals will be conducted?

Answer: The information will be posted to the web site by September 17, 2002.