

231: Will Contractor be required to serve as a “willing payor” for worker’s compensation claims for predecessor contractors and subcontractors under Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act?

Answer: The infrastructure contractor will be required to serve as a “willing payor” under the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act for claims resulting from its own contract work. It is not intended that the infrastructure contractor serve as willing payor for claims of employees of predecessor contractor(s) or subcontractor(s). However, the infrastructure contractor(s) shall assist in obtaining documents and information that pertain to claims of employees of predecessor contractor(s)/subcontractor(s).

232: Portsmouth – How many PACE members are currently employed in infrastructure activities?

Answer: Refer to the posted documents related to positions and salaries. All positions designated as hourly are PACE members.

233: Page B5, Section B.5. This section notes significant financial penalties to be levied against the contractor for failure to properly protect classified information. The amount and nature of the classified information involved in this contract is not specified anywhere in the RFP. Due to national security considerations, it would not be prudent to “list” in the RFP the specific areas of the contract where protection of classified information is involved, but is there some way in which Offerors can obtain information on the magnitude of this responsibility? How many classified facilities are involved, and what is the nature of the classification parameters in these facilities? How many classified documents are involved in the contract, how many file points, etc.?

Answer: USEC currently maintains the pre-1993 records for both sites. Retrieval of USEC-maintained records occurs on a regular basis to support litigation, Freedom of Information Act requests, and Privacy Act requests. USEC will retrieve documents based on the request of DOE or the infrastructure contractor. The infrastructure contractor will be required to review and declassify documents retrieved from USEC on a case-by-case basis. The incumbent contractor maintains approximately 360,000 pages of classified documents in approximately 15 classified safes, one classified vault, and five sealand containers. At Portsmouth, a page count is not available; however, BJC maintains classified documents in 11 classified safes and there is no vault. During an example six-month period, BJC performed classification reviews on 104 documents. There are large numbers of documents to be review for declassification on a sporadic basis.

234: How will you deal with pricing to normalize all of the potential benefit plan consolidation under one contractor?

Answer: Refer to the average benefits document posted. Offerors should use these average benefits in pricing the positions for their cost proposals.

235: The answer to question #208 posted on 1/30/04 references mowing acreage to be approximately 611, Section J Attachment C(2) identifies 675.1 total acres, and Section J Attachment G2 Paducah Mowing Map identifies 835 acres. Please clarify the correct acreage for mowing.

Answer: The correct total for mowing area is an estimated 675 acres. The 835 acres shown on the map is total area which includes areas of concrete and other areas not requiring mowing. The solicitation will be amended to correct the estimated mowing area in the statement of work.