QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS NO. 1
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

PROJECT NO. 15-11

PROJECT TITLE: RIGONE DRILLING TRAINING CENTER

Date: April 7, 2015
To: Prospective Respondents
From: Procurement Operations Department, Houston Community College
Subject: Questions and Answers Request for Proposals, HCC Project No. 15-11

1. Please confirm that this project is to follow the Harris County Building Construction Prevailing Wage Rates (Quarter 1 of 2015) found at http://www.eng.hctx.net/wage/addurl.aspx?func=1&yr=2015&qtr=1&tb=1

Answer: City of Houston wage rates, not Harris County, will be used for this project. IBI spec Section CA (AIA General Conditions) directs GC's to utilize City of Houston Wage Rates (page 58, paragraph 16.1.1)

2. Confirm a full time superintendent is required for the duration of the project.

Answer: Yes, a full time superintendent is required per the Contract Documents.

3. Clarify if there is any new paving or sidewalks associated with this project. Currently none shown on plans.

Answer: No, there is not, per the Contract Documents.

4. Clarify if joint sealants will be required at the slab on grade control joints shown on detail 4/S4.01. If so, please provide specifications.

Answer: None shown on the Contract Documents and none required. The referenced detail is a saw-cut joint.

5. The pricing proposal form doesn’t show the allowance for the $125,000 Owner’s Construction Contingency. It is called for in section 01 21 00 Allowances. Is this still required, please confirm?

Answer: Yes, the Owner Contingency allowance is included in the scope of work. There is no need for this to be on the Proposal Form as the Contract Documents direct the proposer to include the allowance amount in the Based Proposal cost/amount.

6. Is there a substantial completion date given for the base bid?

Answer: Yes, per the contract documents, the GC shall propose the number of calendar days to
achieve Substantial Completion as it relates to the proposer’s Base Proposal cost / amount. This information is found on the required Schedule of Items and Pricing Price Proposal Part I, RigOne Drilling Training Center Project (Attachment No. 2, Section III).

7. Provide a linear foot range for the 60” wide sidewalk unit price shown on specification section 01 22 00, 2.3. UNIT PRICES – SITE CONCRETE. A LF unit cost will vary depending on the total LF required.

Answer: None will be provided. Provide a unit cost amount that will apply to any linear footage the Owner directs to be added.

8. What is an estimated budget for this project?

Answer: The estimated budget for this project is $1.1 million dollars.

9. For the electronic copy of the proposal, does it need to be submitted on a CD, flash drive, or emailed to you?

Answer: The electronic copy of the proposal must be submitted either on a CD or on a flash drive enclosed in the response package. HCC will not accept an electronic copy of the proposal via email.

10. What information or forms are required in submitting the Small Business Subcontracting Plan on April 16th?

Answer: Attachment 4, 5, 6 and 7 must be submitted as required.

11. Do attachments 5, 6, & 7 need to be included in the proposal submitted on April 14th or a part of the Small Business Subcontracting Plan on April 16th?

Answer: Attachment 5, 6, and 7 with the Small Business Subcontracting Plan must be submitted on April 16, 2015 by 2:00 pm CST.

12. For attachments 5 & 6, does it need to include all solicited subcontractors or only the selected subcontractors?

Answer: Attachment 5, 6, and 7 with the Small Business Subcontracting Plan must be submitted, include all solicited subcontractors with the attachments to demonstrate good faith and effort (Attachment No. 4). Attachment 4 may include solicited but unavailable subcontractors.

13. Tab 5 – Price/Cost Schedules Billing Rates must be submitted in a separate envelope, but is it also included in the bound submittal?

Answer: Place the Schedule of Items and Pricing Price Proposal Part I, RigOne Drilling Training Center Project (Attachment No. 2, Section III) in a separate envelope. It does not need to be bound with the response; however, it must be included in the response package.

14. Please confirm that it is the owner’s intent that the 3 ton crane provided by owner be refurbished by contractor prior to installation by contractor as discussed at the pre-proposal meeting.
15. Confirm that all structural steel is to be painted per the specifications.

Answer: Yes, per the Contract Documents.

16. Confirm that a concrete pad is not required at the site electrical service rack (CT, PT, meter, and disconnect). If a concrete pad is required, please provide detailed requirements for foundation.

Answer: A concrete pad is not specifically required as scope within this project; however, all electrical work on the power provider side of the meter / CT-CAN shall be installed in accordance with the power provider’s requirements or standards. Contractor shall verify requirements.

17. Confirm that site electrical service rack (at CT, PT, meter, and disconnect) is not to be enclosed. If fencing is required, please provide detailed drawing requirements.

Answer: There is no enclosure on the drawing. None is indicated and none is required per the Contract Documents.

18. Confirm that secondary feeder (Note 4, Sheet E1.00) is to be buried in PVC, and does not require a concrete duct bank.

Answer: Install in PVC conduit(s) in accordance with the Contract Documents. Concrete encasement is not required.

19. Will the parking and laydown yard be provided by owner? If so please provide the location.

Answer: No. Per the Contract Documents, the Contractor shall be responsible for providing suitable surface for material storage and handling; as well as employee / worker parking.

20. Clarify if Flexterra or Hydromulch will be required for disturbed areas? Drawings call for Flexterra and Specs call for Hydromulch.

Answer: Flexterra shall be required between the high banks of swales and detention pond. Hydromulch sodding shall be required at all other disturbed areas that are not specified to be covered with solid sodding.

21. Sheet E3.01, Service Grounding Detail references a Transfer switch and Electrical room at Generator. Where are these areas located?

Answer: Refer to Architectural Addendum 001.