

AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION/MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT

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8. NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONTRACTOR (No., street, county, State and ZIP Code)

To all Offerors/Bidders

(X)

9A. AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION NO.

USAID-RDMA-486-09-018-RFA

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9B. DATED (SEE ITEM 11)
05-11-2009

10A. MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT/ORDER NO.

10B. DATED (SEE ITEM 13)

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11. THIS ITEM ONLY APPLIES TO AMENDMENTS OF SOLICITATIONS

☒ The above numbered solicitation is amended as set forth in Item 14. The hour and date specified for receipt of Offers ☐ is extended, ☒ is not extended.

Offers 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 _____ 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.

12. ACCOUNTING AND APPROPRIATION DATA (If required)

13. THIS ITEM APPLIES ONLY TO MODIFICATIONS OF CONTRACTS/ORDERS, IT MODIFIES THE CONTRACT/ORDER NO. AS DESCRIBED IN ITEM 14.

(X) 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 ☒ is not, ☐ is required to sign this document and return _____ copies to the issuing office.

14. DESCRIPTION OF AMENDMENT/MODIFICATION (Organized by UCF section headings, including solicitation/contract subject matter where feasible.)

The purpose of this RFA amendment is to provide answers to a second set of questions received regarding this RFA. These are detailed in Attachment A of this Amendment.

All other terms and conditions indicated in the RFA issued on May 11, 2009 remain unchanged.

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)

Craig Riegler
 Regional Agreement Officer

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)

6/4/09

ATTACHMENT A:

Q&A

USAID-RDMA-486-09-018-RFA

Greater Mekong Subregion – Responses to Infectious Diseases (GMS-RID)

Q.1. What is the geographic code that would be applicable to this project?

A.1. The applicable geographic code under this RFA is “000”.

Q.2. On the first page of the cover letter, the RFA states, “Subject to the availability of funds, USAID intends to award a cooperative agreement of up to \$4,400,000 for a program not to exceed five years (from on or about August 2009- July 2014).” On page 15, however, the RFA states, “Subject to annual availability of funds, USAID intends to award a cooperative agreement for approximately \$800,000 to \$1,000,000 annually up to a five-year period (o/a August 2009 – July 2014).” An annual award of \$1 million would total to \$5 million over five years. Understanding that estimated costs are subject to annual availability of funds, can USAID confirm that the potential ceiling for this cooperative agreement is “up to \$5,000,000”?

A.2. The dollar amount listed is approximate and the funding provided each of the five years will vary depending on program needs and the availability of funds. Please consider \$4,400,000 to be the ceiling.

Q.3. On the second page of the RFA cover letter, the text reads “an original and one (3) hard copy of the cost proposal.” Please confirm that hard-copy submissions should include one (1) original and one (1) copy.

A.3. Please send an original and 1 (one) hard copy of the cost proposal.

Q.4. On page 1 of the RFA, item “f” reads “Reserved.” Can USAID clarify whether any text is missing?

A.4. This is the standard USAID format, and no text is missing.

Q.5. Given the page limitation and formatting requirements for the technical application narrative (RFA page 6), we assume that exhibits and tables are excluded from the 25-page limit. Please confirm.

A.5. The 25-page limit refers to the narrative, not to the title page, table of contents nor any exhibits or tables that may be included with the technical application.

Q.6. Please confirm that applicants may use A4-sized paper for applications.

A.6 A4-sized paper may be used.

Q.7. On page 4, the RFA states, “Indicate the names and provide resumes of all important managerial and technical personnel to be assigned to this program activity.” On page 6, under Annexes USAID requires only the resumes for key personnel and that these resumes are to be placed in the annex. We assume these two requirements are the same instruction. Please confirm this understanding is correct.

A.7. As key personnel only includes two individuals, the Chief of Party and the Infectious Disease Advisor, please also include the resumes of up to three additional people that you feel are important managerial and technical personnel assigned to this program (for a total of 5 possible resumes).

Q.8. On page 7, "Other instructions for preparation of proposed budgets" states that applicants must "Provide resumes showing work experience and annual salary history for at least the three most recent years for major personnel." Please confirm that biographical data sheets are sufficient to fulfill this requirement.

A.8. Biographical sheets of the two key personnel and up to three additional major personnel is sufficient for the preparation of the cost proposal.

Q.9. Also under "Other instructions for preparation of proposed budgets," on page 7, we assume that "major personnel" are the same as "key personnel." Please confirm.

A.9. Please accept the definition that major personnel are the up to three individuals in addition to the two key personnel that you feel important managerial and technical personnel assigned to this program.

Q.10. On page 22, the RFA states that "there is little TB funding for this program in the first two years." Can USAID provide an estimated percent for TB activities in years 3, 4, and 5, as with the estimates for API and malaria activities in the first two years?

A.10. USAID is interested in how applicants most efficiently allocate available funds to successfully accomplish program goals and therefore will not provide further guidance at this time.

Q.11. On page 23, the RFA states, "Recently, USAID-funded sentinel surveillance of drug efficacy detected increasing treatment failures in patients treated with ACTs." Can USAID provide a copy of these reports?

A.11. USAID feels that this information is not necessary for the preparation of an application submission under this RFA.

Q.12. Are Public International Organizations (PIOs) and Intergovernmental Organizations eligible for an award under this RFA.

A.12. No, PIOs and Intergovernmental Organizations are not eligible to receive an award under this RFA.

End of Amendment 2