Answers to Vendor Questions - Questions are in black, answers are in red.

1. Page 5, item 6A states “provide a list of related projects completed within the past five (5) years that are relevant to these services in type, scope, and complexity”. Question: The number of higher education science/lab buildings built in Tucson or even the state of Arizona is extremely limited in the last five years. Would the College be willing extend this period to ten (10) years in order to allow respondents to include more specifically and highly relevant higher education science/lab buildings in their response?

   The College will accept list of related project completed within the past ten (10) years that are relevant to these services in type, scope, and complexity.

2. Page 5, item 6B: This item states “firms shall provide and enclose a reference letter from the owner’s project manager of the three most relevant projects listed.” And on page 6, item 10-vi-requests “comments (include details regarding the current status of the product/service provided by the proposer, at least one reference must be from those noted in #6 Contractor’s Past Representative Projects”. Question: These two items seem to be somewhat redundant. In Section 6 you are asking for a reference letter from each of the three representative projects, and in Question 10, you are asking for “at least one” from Section 6 three most relevant projects. Further the “comments” requested in Section 10 seem to be redundant with the “reference letter” requested in Section 6. Do you want reference letters from all three relevant projects? Would this satisfy the request made in Section 10-vi? Can that question be eliminated due to its redundancy?

   Please follow the instructions of the proposal

3. Page 9, Section 4, Selection and Contract Award, item 4, states that “contractor’s ability to partner with local contractors" will be worth 10 points of the 100 used for scoring. There is no question in Section 2 which asks about this subject. If you are going to award points for this, will you be adding a question about this? Further, are you talking about a non-local general contractor’s ability to partner with a local general contractor, or do you mean a local or non-local general contractor’s ability to partner with local SUBcontractors?

   Provide information as specified in section 2.

4. Page 5, item 9, Performance Time, states “the contractor is expected to give this project a high priority to complete the scope of work in a complete, accurate, professional, and timely manner.” This is a statement, not a question. Is there a question related to this to which you are requesting a response? No Item 8 states “describe how you will develop and maintain work schedules during construction”. This seems to be the question regarding timely project completion. This would be one place where you could address timelines. Please clarify.

   See above
5. What is the proposed schedule for construction of this project, both start and completion dates? Is anything driving the schedule such as being open for a certain semester, and if so, what? Is funding in place for construction?

The preliminary Construction schedule is as follows: construction start October 2012, substantial completion October 2013, Building open for classes January 2014.

6. Page 6: the last line state “NOTE” all proposers must be able to comply with the insurance requirements (Attachment A). Do you want respondents to include evidence of coverage as part of this response?

See page 2 for information.

7. Page 10, RFQ Completion Checklist: The third bullet “Qualification” and the fourth bullet “Response to Scope of Work”. Which one of these refers to the respondents’ responses to the questions posed in Section 2 under “Technical Requirements”? To what does the other bullet refer?

See paragraph on page 10 for information

8. On page 4, Section 2 Scope of Work, it does not mention a page limitation for the Technical Requirements. Can you please verify whether or not there is a page limitation?

No page limitation

9. Will the contractor be procuring the construction materials testing and inspection or will this go through Pima Community College’s ON-Call Contract.

The Owner (Pima Community College) will provide construction materials testing.

10. Is there any need/requirements for a geotechnical evaluation.

Geotechnical evaluation has been completed