

Memo

To: Bidders

From: National Grid

GEI Consultants, Inc.

Date: June 26, 2020

Re: Owner's Representative Question Responses

Gowanus Canal Project Brooklyn, New York

Thank you for your questions. Please see below for the responses.

What services will be provided to the Owner's Representative in the field? Does the bidder have to assume costs for a trailer, boat etc.

- The CM/GC will be providing a space for the Owner's Representative in a fully furnished trailer that will include basic office supplies like a desk and chair. The Owner's Representative will also have access to a copy machine, conference room space and other common trailer items but all COVID-19 safety protocols must be adhered to.
- o The bidder should assume costs for the following items:
 - All other electronic devices including computers, screens, programs with software, etc. for their individual use
 - Due to COVID-19 guidelines, individual fridges, coffee makers, etc. must be provided by the Owner's Representative
 - A Boat, should you feel you need a boat on the Canal to observe the work

Given the list of bidders and business confidential pricing details to be provided, was the RFP's intent for both bid sheets to be submitted directly to Mr. Andrew Prophete (i.e., the Unit Rate bid sheet and Firm's Labor Rates/breakdown of the fixed fee amounts)? It would appear that both bid sheets would be appropriate for only Mr. Prophete to review, since both sheets contain business confidential pricing information

O The cover sheet of Attachment G outlines the bidder's full costs of a specified task, no cost breakdowns. Unit rates on the bid sheet are designed and requested so that labor rates are not isolated. The unit costs in Column E will not just include daily labor rates for each task, expenses are also to be included to reach the "unit cost". For example, for field oversight during TB1 construction (Task 3.3) the bidder should take into account any and all travel related expenses, equipment, or other direct costs when calculating the cost for this task (as discussed in Section 4 – Scope of Work in the RFP). Thus, the bid sheet tabs will be completed as required but submitted separately so that individual labor rates are sent only to Andrew Prophete.

One other item to note though it was not a question, is that the Owner's Representative responsibilities do not include the responsibilities of the Engineer of Record or the Trust. The Owner's Representative can help facilitate meetings and decisions that are a part of the design process, but the Owner's Representative does not have the authority to change design documents (i.e. drawings or specifications).

We look forward to your proposals!