

## **Carvel State Office Building- Fire Alarm System Replacement MJ1002000018**

### **CLARIFICATIONS**

- 1) **QUESTION:** “Is a full 330 package required as part of the response package on September 14, 2016, or only 330 forms for the bulleted items listed under ‘Responses shall include?’”  
**RESPONSE:** A full 330 package is not required. We need the basic 330 form for use in scoring, but strict compliance to 330 criteria is not required. The ‘Responses shall include’ outlines the scoring criteria. Also see <http://dfm.delaware.gov/profsrv/documents/selection-procedures.pdf> for scoring criteria info.
- 2) **QUESTION:** “Is there a page limit for the response package?”  
**RESPONSE:** No.
- 3) **QUESTION:** “Are tabs required for the response package?”  
**RESPONSE:** No, but they are encouraged since they are helpful to the scoring committee members.
- 4) **QUESTION:** “Is a Digital Antenna System (DAS) for First Responder/radio coverage currently installed in the building?”  
**RESPONSE:** No, but the statewide 800 MHz system has adequate coverage throughout the building.
- 5) **QUESTION:** “Is a Mass Notification System (MNS) desired as part of the project?”  
**RESPONSE:** Yes.
- 6) **QUESTION:** “Are accurate building background drawings available in AutoCAD?”  
**RESPONSE:** Yes.
- 7) **QUESTION:** “Which agencies will be involved in the progressive design review process?”  
**RESPONSE:** State approvals to be coordinated by the A/E include DFM, Capitol Police and City of Wilmington Fire Marshal.
- 8) **QUESTION:** “What will the progressive design milestones be?”  
**RESPONSE:** Kickoff, Preliminary Schematic (15%), Schematic Design (30%), Design Development (60%), Final (90%).
- 9) **QUESTION:** “Does the building currently have an emergency generator? If yes, what is the size and capacity? Is the current fire alarm system on emergency power?”

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**RESPONSE:** Yes, 280KW. The fire alarm system is on emergency power.

- 10) **QUESTION:** “Will there be an organized site visit to the building prior to bidding? If not, can our firm visit your building to gather scale and who would be our on-site contact to arrange for a tour?”

**RESPONSE:** No, due to security requirements a tour will not be possible.

- 11) **QUESTION:** “Is there a specific fire alarm panel/equipment manufacturer that is being requested?”

**RESPONSE:** No.

- 12) **QUESTION:** “Do you have specific alarm specifications or is strict compliance with NFPA 72 and adopted fire code all that is being requested?”

**RESPONSE:** NFPA 72 and adopted Fire Code by the City of Wilmington.

- 13) **QUESTION:** “Please specify the number of wet and dry sprinkler systems in the building?”

**RESPONSE:** Wet pipe system exists throughout the building.

- 14) **QUESTION:** “Please indicate if there are any other suppression systems (wet chemical hood suppression, clean agent suppression etc.) located in the building that will need to be monitored?”

**RESPONSE:** Yes.

- 15) **QUESTION:** “Is an additional pricing document to accompany the SF 330 or is the SF 330 all that is being requested at this time?”

**RESPONSE:** SF 330 only being requested at this time. No pricing document required.

- 16) **QUESTION:** “The RFP reads: “The scope of work for the fire alarm system replacement project will consist of an evaluation and design for a new fire addressing and alarm system.” Is this intended to read “addressable fire alarm system?”

**RESPONSE:** Yes.

- 17) **QUESTION:** “Please specify what level of design document detail is being requested. Bid document to ensure consistent installation bidding or submittal for initial jurisdictional approval or full installation drawings?”

**RESPONSE:** The State will solicit bids for installation by a fire alarm contractor. Full bid set drawings are required, not performance specifications. The contractor will produce shop drawings and other submittal info during construction and as-builts after installation.

- 18) **QUESTION:** “Are AutoCAD drawings available?”

**RESPONSE:** Yes.

- 19) **QUESTION:** “It is assumed that this building is a business occupancy throughout. Please advise what other occupancies (if any) exist in the building?”

**RESPONSE:** There is an auditorium (assembly occupancy) in the building.

- 20) **QUESTION:** “Is the building currently outfitted with a standby power system?”

**RESPONSE:** See Question #9.

- 21) **QUESTION:** “Are there fire sprinkler floor control valves at each floor that will need to be monitored?”

**RESPONSE:** Flow and tamper switches exist on each floor. A companion sprinkler project (rehabilitation) for the building is in design. Selected firm will be required to coordinate with the design and construction of suppressions systems in the building.

- 22) **QUESTION:** “It is assumed, in accordance with code that a Fire Command Center will be required for purposes of our bid. Please advise if there is any current information to the contrary”

**RESPONSE:** There is no bid at this time, just a request for qualifications. A Fire Command Center will be a part of the project.

- 23) **QUESTION:** “It is assumed for purposes of our bid that an emergency voice communication system and FD communication system will be required in accordance with code. Please advise if there is any current information to the contrary”

**RESPONSE:** Yes, see Question #5.

- 24) **QUESTION:** “Are stairs fitted with smoke control systems? Will this be part of the eventual upgrade or not”

**RESPONSE:** Smoke control is not installed in the stairwells. The requirement will be determined during the design process.

- 25) **QUESTION:** “Please advise how many elevator shafts exist in the building”

**RESPONSE:** Seven (7).

- 26) **QUESTION:** “Please advise how many stairways exist in the building and if there is a plan to lock stair doors from the stairway side?”

**RESPONSE:** Two (2). The requirement will be determined during the design process.

- 27) **QUESTION:** “Is there currently any on-site water storage for firefighting that will require monitoring (temperature or water level)?”

**RESPONSE:** No.

- 28) **QUESTION:** “Has an assessment been performed on the Fire Alarm System to document deficiencies and if so, can this document be shared with the selected firm?”

**RESPONSE:** No. Deficiencies will be determined as a part of the design process.

- 29) **QUESTION:** “Is it anticipated that an Architect prime this proposal?”

**RESPONSE:** An Architect prime is not required.

- 30) **QUESTION:** “What work outside of the electrical fire alarm replacement is intended for the civil, site, structural, mechanical, and plumbing disciplines?”

**RESPONSE:** The other disciplines listed are expected to have minimal, if any work. Coordination with other disciplines will be required to complete the design of the fire alarm system.