

RFP – Regulatory Support Services- PM

Questions (due 10/15) and **Answers (due 10/22)**

1. Is LIPA accepting proposals from Legal firms and others?

Answer- Yes, LIPA will accept proposals from any firm that is capable of providing the service, legal and non-legal.

2. Can you please confirm how many hard copies of the proposal must be submitted? Further, can you confirm if you wish to see our pricing proposal on a separate USB device as well, or are two printed copies sufficient?

Answer: Five hard copies of the technical proposal and 2 hard copies of the price proposal. In addition, two electronic files (one containing the technical response, the other containing the price proposal) must be submitted. The electronic files can be in the same USB device.

3. We wish to be responsive to the stated page limit. Can you confirm if the following items do or do not contribute to the 10- page limit?

- a. Client list requested in Section VII, subsection A, item 3- **yes**
- b. Diversity Questionnaire requested in Section VII, subsection A, item 5-**no**
- c. Conflict Information requested in Section VII, subsection A, item 6- **yes**
- d. Proposed deviations from the standard contract form requested in Section VII, subsection C, item 2- **yes**

4. Paragraph 3 of Section IX, subsection C, of the RFP states “For purposes of this solicitation, LIPA hereby establishes an overall subcontracting goal of 0%; 0% for Minority-Owned Business Enterprises (‘MBE’) participation and 0% for Women-Owned Business Enterprises (‘WBE’) participation.”

Paragraph 1 of Section IX, subsection D indicates a 6% SDVOB goal.

Can you confirm:

- a. That the 0% MWBE requirement stated in the RFP supersedes the requirement stated in the Standard Contract included in Attachment B, and
- b. Whether or not the SDVOB 6% statement is a “goal” or a “requirement.” (i.e.) Will LIPA only consider responses with an SDVOB vendor?

Answer: 0% requirement for MWBE and SDVOB is confirmed.

5. Section IX.B.4 of the RFP stipulates that Joint proposals will not be accepted. Will LIPA accept proposals from firms who propose to use a subcontractor?

Answer: No.

6. In Section III, Contract Period, a five-year contract is noted. During the term of the contract how many rate cases would LIPA envision preparing?

Answer: One with primary focus for consultant being pre-filing preparation of rate filing

7. In Section V, Scope and Services, one of the items noted for the scoping meeting is “definition of roles and responsibilities.” Does this item pertain to definition of roles and responsibilities for LIPA personnel, Consultant personnel or both?

Answer: Internal personnel who will work on the rate case, not the consultant

8. In Section V, Scope and Services, the full-time support includes “management of detailed schedule.” Will the consultant serve in the role of Project Manager for a rate case or will LIPA/PSEG Long Island serve in this role?

Answer: Consultant

9. Assistance with several aspects of testimony is noted in the Scope and Services. How many phases of testimony does LIPA expect to develop? For example, direct or direct and rebuttal?

Answer: Direct only in preparation for filing

10. The Scope and Services refers to “Full Time Support.” Please provide additional detail on the length of time expected for the consultant to be engaged during the five-year term of the contract? For example, does LIPA expect a consulting resource to be engaged full time over the entire five-year period.

Answer: No, the primary focus for the consultant will be in the first year leading up to the filing of the rate case with intense focus in a four-month period or so. The five-year period is for any follow up needed in the subsequent year/s.

We estimate a total of 1150 hours for the Project Manager and 575 hours for the Analyst, see pricing amendment.