#### **CAPITOL REGION COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS**

### Addendum

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## **Consultant Questions and Responses**

The following pages contain questions submitted to CRCOG from consultants interested in the RFP and our responses. Please note that all terms and conditions appearing in the original Request for Proposal remain unchanged.

Respondents are asked to sign, date, and return this sheet (not the entire addendum), along with their response package, in order to verify their receipt of notice of this addendum prior to the specified submission deadline. Please fill out all sections below in order to ensure that your response is considered complete.

Name		-	
Title			
Company			
Address		_	
(City) (State)	(Zip)	_	
Telephone			
Signature		Date	

# Answers to Questions Received Regarding CRCOG RFP for LEP Services for MetroHartford Brownfields Assessment Program – October 2020

Q. Is there an opportunity under this proposal for a micro veteran-owned-business to take advantage of the 15% price preference offered in the 2016 CT law?

A. CRCOG will follow all applicable statutes and the criteria outlined in the selection criteria in the RFP.

Q. Do you anticipate extending the bid due date?

A. No.

Q. What additional details are you willing to provide, if any, beyond what is stated in bid documents concerning how you will identify the winning bid?

A. The RFP provides details on how proposals will be evaluated.

Q. Was this bid posted to the nationwide free bid notification website at <a href="https://www.mygovwatch.com/free">www.mygovwatch.com/free</a>?

A. No.

Q. Other than your own website, where was this bid posted?

A. CRCOG posted the RFP on its own website and on the CT DAS Biz-Net Portal. The RFP was also advertised in all the required public channels, including local and minority newspapers.

Q. What are the terms and conditions?

A. CRCOG's terms and conditions were outlined in the RFP. Here is the link to the EPA's terms and conditions provided in CRCOG's <u>Cooperative Agreement</u> with EPA:

EPA general terms and conditions effective october 1 2019/

Q. Rates schedules?

A. Respondents are instructed to provide their fee schedule including a complete rate schedule and pricing for staff and equipment to be utilized for this project as outlined in Section VII. C. 6. of the RFP.

Q. Competing firms?

A. After a contract with the selected firm has been executed, a list of responding firms can be made available upon request.

Q. Can a copy if the EPA grant application that supports this RFP be provided?

A. CRCOG-EPA Grant Application

- Q. Will the selected Consultant / Firm for this RFP be qualified for other related CROG project work not covered by this EPA grant?

  A. No.
- Q. Will more than one Consultant / Firm be selected for work under this RFP? A. We intend to contract with only one consultant firm.
- Q. Can a list of project sites anticipated to be covered by the grant and this RFP be identified?

  A. Project sites will be selected at a later date, however, as the RFP and <a href="CRCOG-EPA Grant">CRCOG-EPA Grant</a>

  Application states, we will target sites in the City of Hartford, sites with TOD potential and sites which will help spur growth within Opportunity Zones.
- Q. What Consultant / Contractors have held brownfield assessment and remediation planning contracts with the CROG over the past five years?
- A. The following firms are currently under contract with CRCOG to provide LEP oversight services for our RLF program: Fuss & O'Neill, Zuvic Carr, and Tighe & Bond. Tighe & Bond was contracted to provide LEP services for the last EPA funded Assessment Grant which closed in 2018.
- Q. If more than one Consultant / Contractor is selected, how will the opportunities be distributed?
- A. We intend to contract with only one consultant firm.
- Q. Is there a ranking system for Consultant / Contractor selection? How will the selection committee be staffed?
- A. The RFP describes how proposals will be evaluated. CRCOG staff will review and evaluate proposals. We will also invite municipal and outside agency staff with experience in Brownfields to assist in evaluations.
- Q. The link to the Cooperative Agreement between EPA and CRCOG was not functioning for some reason. We believe we found the Cooperative Agreement on the CRCOG website; however can you please provide a working link to the Cooperative Agreement so that we may confirm we obtained the correct document?
- A. Cooperative Agreement
- Q. Is there an approximate or standard number of community outreach meetings typically performed based on the history of the CRCOG's Brownfield Grant Program? If so could you please provide that information?
- A. No, there is no standard number of outreach meetings.