

Massachusetts Technology Collaborative (Solicitation No. 2026-GA-01) Questions and Answers

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| | QUESTION | ANSWER |
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| 1. | Do you have a timeline for this work to be conducted? Substantial completion date? | The project schedule will be finalized once a contractor has been selected and a contract is awarded. However, we do have an anticipated timeline in place. We expect work to commence promptly following contract execution. With preparation of the site occurring within approximately 2-4 weeks of award. The selected contractor will be expected to submit a detailed project schedule, for abatement, demolition, debris removal, site backfill etc Timely completion is a priority. |
| 2. | Is a bid bond required? | We do not require a bid bond |
| 3. | Are there liquidated damages associated with this contract? | Our legal department has not yet determined the specifics of the applicable contract. |
| 4. | Is the work Tax Exempt? | Yes, this project is tax-exempt. The selected contractor will be provided with the necessary tax exempt certificate upon award of the contract. It is the contractor's responsibility to ensure that all purchases made for this project are processed in accordance with tax-exempt requirements. |
| 5. | Does prevailing Wage apply? If so, please provide the wage sheet. | Prevailing wage does not apply |
| 6. | Is this a time and material basis bid? | No it is not a time-based job. The job is not calculated based on the actual time spent and hourly, it's on a fixed price. |
| 7. | Is contractor or owner responsible for trucking and disposing of the asbestos waste? | The contractor shall be fully responsible for the proper removal, packaging, transportation and disposal of all asbestos containing materials in accordance with all applicable federal, state, and local regulations. |



| 8. | The excel bid sheet has no line items for hauling and disposing of the asbestos waste or providing backfill. | The hauling and disposal of asbestos containing material as well as the backfill are considered part of the contractor's scope of work and must be included in the overall bid even if there is no separate line items listed in the excel bid sheet. |
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| 9. | Are all utilities cut and capped? | Yes, all utilities to the buildings have been cut and properly capped. There are no active utility connections remaining at the site. |
| 10. | Who is responsible for fencing the job site? | The contractor is responsible for providing, installing and maintaining all necessary fencing and safety barriers around the job site for the duration of the project. This includes ensuring the site is secure and compliant with all applicable safety regulations and local requirements. |
| 11. | Are the brick, concrete, and stone from each building considered recyclable or must be disposed of as friable asbestos debris? | All brick, concrete and stone materials from the buildings must be treated as asbestos-contaminated debris and disposed of as friable asbestos waste due to their contact with or potential contamination by asbestos containing material. These materials cannot be recycled. |
| 12. | Can metals be segregated and washed for recycling? | Yes, metals may be segregated and thoroughly cleaned to remove any asbestos contamination and can be recycled. Provided the cleaning and handling are performed in accordance with all applicable asbestos abatement regulations and safety standards. |
| 13. | Who is responsible for hiring the third party for background air monitoring and visual clearances? | The contractor performing the asbestos abatement is responsible for hiring and coordinating the third-party environment consultant. The contractor needs to include these services in their proposal. |
| 14. | Will you be accepting bids from non-union companies as well as union companies? | Yes, bids will be accepted from both union and non-union companies. All contractors, regardless of affiliation, must meet the project's qualification requirements, hold the necessary licenses and certification, and comply with all applicable state and federal regulations. Selection will be based on the overall strength of the proposal, experience, compliance, and the best value of the project. |