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1	1	Block 9	Proposal Due Date	Based on the expected volume of questions submitted and the resulting duration of time before the answers to those questions can be supplied in combination with the expected workload we would like to request the government to extend the due date of the response.	RFP has been updated to reflect a proposal due date of 12 January 2017
2	1	Block 9	Proposal Due Date	While we are awaiting the receipt of the answers to our questions and with the current and upcoming holiday periods we kindly request the due date for responses be extended from 22 Dec 2016 for a minimum of three (3) weeks to 12 January 2017 to allow us time to incorporate the Gov't responses into our final submittal.	RFP has been updated to reflect a proposal due date of 12 January 2017
3	2	A.2	Solicitation/Contract Form	As described within the DODI 5000.02, RDAP will encompass all activities within the phases of acquisition activities from the development and execution of the Materiel Development Decision (MDD) through the Materiel Solution Analysis Phase, Technical Maturation/Risk Reduction (TMRR) Phase, the Engineering and Manufacturing Development (EMD) Phase and the Production and Deployment Phase. If a contractor wins and successfully completes a Delivery Order for research, design, and development of a CBRNE Defense system/capability, and the Government chooses to implement a follow-on Delivery Order for "scale up" to mature the Manufacturing Readiness Levels (MRL) from Level 6 to 10 of that particular system/capability, will this follow-on Delivery Order be competed amongst all IDIQ prime contractors and, if so, does this mean that the Delivery Order for research, design, and development of a CBRNE Defense system/capability will require, at a minimum, Government Purpose Rights?	Yes, the theoretical Order described will be competed among all IDIQ holders, as long as it does not meet the conditions of FAR Part 19.5. If it meets the conditions of FAR Part 19.5, it will be set aside, competed among only small businesses. Any Government Purpose Rights required in an Order will be specified in the details of that particular Order - each Order competed under the IDIQ will have unique requirements.
4	2	A.2	Solicitation/Contract Form	Will the government announce in task order requests for proposals if transition to sustainment on the JE ClaSS contract is to be a part of an upcoming task order award? If not, how will bidders know what task order contracts are to be considered for transition?	If the Government knows if an Order has a planned transition to JE-CLaSS, it will be announced.
5	2	A.3	Solicitation/Contract Form	Amendment 2, Section A, A.3 states that, "The Government anticipates this solicitation will result in the award of multiple enterprise-wide omnibus JERDAP IDIQ contracts." <u>Approximately how many awards are anticipated or possible?</u>	The Government is unable to provide an actual number as it will be highly dependent upon the response received to the solicitation. Expectations are that a large number of IDIQ contracts will be awarded.
6	2	A.3	Solicitation/Contract Form	How many awards are anticipated in response to W911QY-17-R-0010?	The Government is unable to provide an actual number as it will be highly dependent upon the response received to the solicitation. Expectations are that a large number of IDIQ contracts will be awarded.
7	2	A.3	Foreign Organizations	Would the Government be able to award an Omnibus JE-RDAP IDIQ contract to a UK based entity with no US parent.	Foreign entities are permitted to submit an offer as long as they are not from a prohibited country under ITAR 126.1 and are able to meet the requirements of FAR Part 25 and DFARS Part 225 at the RDAP task/delivery order level.
8	2	A.4	Solicitation/Contract Form	What is the anticipated start date for the one (1) ten (10) year base period?	The Government anticipates IDIQ awards will be made in the 2nd quarter of FY17 with the award of the first TO/DOs to occur during the 2nd-3rd quarters of FY17.
9	2	A.5	Disclosure of Unit Price Information	"This constitutes notification pursuant to Executive Order 12600, Pre-Disclosure Notification Procedures for Confidential Commercial Information (June 23, 1987) of our intention to release unit prices of the awardee in response to any request under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 USC 552. Unit price is defined as the contract price per unit or item purchased. We consider any objection to be waived unless the contracting officer is notified of your objection to such release prior to submission of initial proposals." Please verify that the unit prices referenced are fully burdened labor rates	Unit prices refers to the actual prices for individual RDAP task/delivery orders issued under the IDIQ Contracts. Unit prices will only be released in the event of a FOIA request and Offeror's will be notified as required to allow for an objection to the release to be submitted to the Government.
10	2	A.5	Disclosure of Unit Price Information	If an offeror objects to release of unit price information prior to submission of initial proposals, will that offeror still be eligible for an award at the JE-RDAP IDIQ level?	Unit prices received as part of a JE-RDAP IDIQ proposal and/or any subsequent RDAP task/delivery order will not be released unless the Government receives a FOIA request. In the event that occurs the Government will notify the individual Offeror, as required, who may file an objection to release of information upon notification. Submission of an objection does not affect eligibility for award
11	4	Section B	Supplies or Services and Prices	Are bidders required to complete Section B pricing and if so, can the Government please provide details on the defined deliverables offerors are required to price?	No, section B does not need to be priced. IDIQ contracts will be issued with a Not To Exceed ceiling amount of \$8.27B. The sum of all RDAP task/delivery orders issued under all IDIQ contracts during the 10 year ordering period cannot exceed the stated \$8.27B.

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12	4	Section B	Supplies or Services and Prices	Are Offeror's expected to complete Section B for items 0001 through 0024 at the time of submission?	No, section B does not need to be priced. IDIQ contracts will be issued with a Not To Exceed ceiling amount of \$8.27B. The sum of all RDAP task/delivery orders issued under all IDIQ contracts during the 10 year ordering period cannot exceed the stated \$8.27B.
13	4	Section B	Supplies or Services and Prices	Is a Section B to be completed and provided with our IDIQ offer?	Section B does not need to be priced. IDIQ contracts will be issued with a Not To Exceed ceiling amount of \$8.27B. The sum of all RDAP task/delivery orders issued under all IDIQ contracts during the 10 year ordering period cannot exceed the stated \$8.27B.
14	4	Section B	Supplies or Services and Prices	Is the Government expecting contractors to establish a Unit Price / Max Amount for each Item Number listed in Section B?	No, Offerors are not required to establish a unit price/max price for each of the CLINs in Section B. IDIQ contracts will be issued with a Not To Exceed ceiling amount of \$8.27B. The sum of all RDAP task/delivery orders issued under all IDIQ contracts during the 10 year ordering period cannot exceed the stated \$8.27B.
15	4	Section B	Supplies or Services and Prices	Please clarify how the Government intends to definitize the amounts for the CLINs under Section B? Will definitization be based upon awarded task orders to the respective awardee? If not, what will be the basis for the CLINs amounts?	Contract value is not linked directly to CLINs but to the overall contract ceiling which is based on the sum of all RDAP task/delivery orders issued under all IDIQ contracts during the 10 year ordering period which cannot exceed \$8.27B.
16	4	Section B	Supplies or Services and Prices	Please clarify if vendors are to complete and submit Section B with its proposal. If yes, please provide common assumptions on equipment specifications, hours and/or quantity so that all bidders are working from the same Scope of Effort (SOE).	Section B does not need to be priced. IDIQ contracts will be issued with a Not To Exceed ceiling amount of \$8.27B. The sum of all RDAP task/delivery orders issued under all IDIQ contracts during the 10 year ordering period cannot exceed the stated \$8.27B.
17	4	Section B	Supplies or Services and Prices	Please confirm Section B is not to be completed as part of the proposal submittal.	Section B does not need to be priced. IDIQ contracts will be issued with a Not To Exceed ceiling amount of \$8.27B. The sum of all RDAP task/delivery orders issued under all IDIQ contracts during the 10 year ordering period cannot exceed the stated \$8.27B.
18	4	section B	Supplies or services and prices	Please confirm this section is not required to be submitted with proposal, and the only pricing that will be submitted will be by utilizing key corporate personnel template.	Section B does not need to be priced. IDIQ contracts will be issued with a Not To Exceed ceiling amount of \$8.27B. The sum of all RDAP task/delivery orders issued under all IDIQ contracts during the 10 year ordering period cannot exceed the stated \$8.27B.
19	4	Section B	Supplies or Services and Prices	The offeror shall provide cost/price information on the key corporate personnel that were identified in paragraph L.2.1.1.2. The offeror shall complete the provided Microsoft Excel spreadsheet (Attachment 1), to include the labor categories, position level, hourly rates, and the fully burdened rates of the key corporate personnel identified. Given the Section L instructions, we are not to price and return Section B, correct? If not, please describe what should be priced for Section B?	Correct, section B does not need to be priced. IDIQ contracts will be issued with a Not To Exceed ceiling amount of \$8.27B. The sum of all RDAP task/delivery orders issued under all IDIQ contracts during the 10 year ordering period cannot exceed the stated \$8.27B.
20	4	Section B	Supplies or Services and Prices	What is the purpose of all the CLINs that are listed on the RFP? Are the offerors expected to select, which CLINs they would be responding to?	The CLINs were set up to allow for maximum flexibility of contract type (FFP, CPFF, etc.) at the RDAP task/delivery order level. The specific CLIN to be used at the RDAP task/delivery order will be determined based on each individual requirement.
21	14	CLIN 0021	Other Direct Costs	As G&A is applicable to travel expenses (stated in H.9), can the Government please confirm whether G&A is applicable to ODCs as well?	G&A is applicable to ODC as long as the base is a Total Cost Input (TCI) base. TCI is total activity of the business unit. Total Cost Input Base is generally acceptable as an appropriate measure of total activity of a business unit.
22	16	C.3.2	Scope	The JPEO-CBD intends to complete initial sustainment of JE-RDAP developed systems, capabilities, equipment, supplies and material under the JE-RDAP contract. Sustainment and related logistics support activities may be performed under the JPEO-CBD Joint Enterprise Contracted Logistics and Support Services (JE-CLaSS) contract. Transitioning items to JE-CLaSS for follow-on sustainment will be addressed on a case-by-case basis. The RFP states initial sustainment would be done under RDAP then transition to the JE-CLaSS vehicle. Please confirm that work done under RDAP would not present an OCI if/when transitioned to JE-CLaSS.	OCI plans are not required for award of the IDIQ contracts. However, it is anticipated that OCI mitigation plans may be required as part of the proposal submittal for future TO/DOs. As required, submittal of an OCI mitigation plan would be specified in the future TO/DO offering.

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23	16	C.3.2	Scope	Amendment 2, Section C, C.3 Scope, C.3.2 states that, "Sustainment and related logistics support activities may be performed under the JPEO-CBD Joint Enterprise Contracted Logistics and Support Services (JE-Class) contract. Transitioning items to JE-Class for follow-on sustainment will be addressed on a case-by-case basis." - How does this transition option impact a contractor that receives an RDAP award, but does not hold a JE-Class contract award? - Would such a contractor automatically be on ramped for a JE-Class award?	If an RDAP effort is transitioned to JE-CLaSS, and an IDIQ awardee for JE-RDAP wishes to compete on the JE-CLaSS effort but does not have a JE-CLaSS IDIQ award, then the JE-RDAP IDIQ awardee would have to team/subcontract with a JE-CLaSS awardee. This scenario would not mean that a JE-RDAP awardee would automatically be on ramped for a JE-CLaSS award.
24	25	H.2.1	Small business definition	Does a non US "qualifying Country" small business as defined by the European Union qualify as a small business for the purpose of JE-RDAP	No, foreign entities are not considered Small Businesses.
25	25	H.2.1	RDAP Task/Delivery orders restricted to small business	The Government intends to set aside RDAP task/delivery orders estimated at \$5M or less per year of performance (but not to exceed \$10M over the duration of the RDAP task/delivery order) for small businesses following the procedures of FAR 19.5 and in accordance with FAR 16.505(b)(2)(i)(F). The RFP states TO/DOs estimated at \$5M or less per year will be set-aside for Small Business. Can the Small business winners also bid on other TO/DOs or just those reserved for Small Business?	A Small Business may submit proposals for both the Small Business Set Aside TO/DO RFP's and the unrestricted TO/DO RFP's.
26	25	H.2.1	RDAP Task/Delivery orders restricted to small business	The current Task Order determination for a small business set aside (\$5M per year, up to a limit of \$10M) appears to be designed for services type task orders. Can you tell us if the government will set aside any manufacturing, or integration task orders?	The Government intends to set aside all task/delivery orders meeting the dollar thresholds cited and FAR 19.5 criteria (regardless of if it's for manufacturing, integration, etc.).
27	25	H.2.1	RDAP Task/Delivery orders restricted to small business	The Government intends to set aside RDAP task/delivery orders estimated at \$5M or less per year of performance (but not to exceed \$10M over the duration of the RDAP task/delivery order) for small businesses following the procedures of FAR 19.5 and in accordance with FAR 16.505(b)(2)(i)(F). All other RDAP task/delivery orders, unless an exception to Fair Opportunity applies, will be solicited among all IDIQ holders; however, if the conditions of FAR Part 19.5 are met, then that RDAP task/delivery order will also be set-aside. If in response to a set-aside RDAP task/delivery order (RFP), the Government determines that there are no Offerors that satisfy the set aside requirements of FAR Part 19.5, then the RDAP task/delivery order will be solicited under Fair Opportunity among all IDIQ holders. where it indicates "H.2.1 The Government intends to set aside RDAP task/delivery orders estimated at \$5M or less per year of Performance..." we kindly request removing or at least reducing that threshold as we feel innovative solutions and technologies available from non-Small Business (Large, JVs , overseas based etc.) for what could be a critical technical gap which a non-small Business could fulfill.	The Government will not be changing the Small Business threshold. Offerors should keep in mind that all set aside task/delivery orders will also have to meet the criteria of FAR 19.5.
28	25	H.2.1	RDAP Task/Delivery orders restricted to small business	While we are very supportive of creating and maintaining opportunities for small businesses, setting the set aside threshold at \$5M or less per year appears to be excessively detrimental to fair opportunity and contrary to competition. This set aside threshold may reduce innovative responses and new technologies available under the Program. Would the Government consider setting the set aside threshold at task/delivery orders valued at \$1M or less to maximize opportunities for innovation?	The Government will not be changing the Small Business threshold. Offerors should keep in mind that all set aside task/delivery orders will also have to meet the criteria of FAR 19.5.
29	25	H.2.2	RDAP Task/Delivery orders restricted to small business	Is this a Full and Open competition or only limited to those NAICS listed under Special Notice?	Competition for the IDIQ contracts is Full and Open under the four identified NAICS Codes in the RFP. Offeror's may submit proposals without being registered in all four NAICS codes, however, at the RDAP Task/Delivery order level it will be necessary for the offeror to be registered in the applicable NAICS code for the individual RDAP Task/Delivery Order RFP
30	26	H.2	RDAP Task/Delivery orders restricted to small business	Can an Offeror who qualifies as a Small Business on one or more of the NAICS codes also bid on and be eligible for an Unrestricted Delivery/Task Order?	Small Business may submit proposals for both the Small Business Set Aside TO/DO RFP's and the unrestricted TO/DO RFP's.

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31	26	H.2.3	RDAP Task/Delivery orders restricted to small business	Amendment 2, Section H, H.2.3 states that, "The JPEO-CBD and its JPMs shall be the primary customer for the JE-RDAP IDIQ contracts. It is envisioned that additional federal organizations may utilize this contract vehicle with JE-RDAP IDIQ Contracting Officer (KO) approval." Does the JPEO-CBD intend for this contract to be used by any federal organizations with KO approval, or does your office have a narrower scope of organizations in mind. If the latter, what types of federal organizations might be eligible to use this contract with KO approval?	The JPEO-CBD is open to any federal organization utilizing the JE-RDAP contract vehicle. Utilization will be considered on a case-by- case basis with KO approval.
32	26	H.2.4	RDAP Task/Delivery orders restricted to small business	H.2.4 states, "Contractors need not register under the four previously identified NAICS Codes in the System for Award Management (SAM) in order to be eligible for an IDIQ award. To be eligible for an RDAP task/delivery order set aside for small business IDIQ holders must be registered in SAM as a Small Business under the NAICS code identified in the individual RDAP task/order RFP." Can an Offeror who qualifies as a Small Business on one or more of the NAICS codes also bid on and be eligible for award of any Unrestricted Delivery/Task Orders?	Small Business may submit proposals for both the Small Business Set Aside TO/DO RFP's and the unrestricted TO/DO RFP's.
33	26	H.2.4	RDAP Task/Delivery orders restricted to small business	Will each TOR or DOR specify the specific contract type or IDIQ CLIN to propose?	Yes.
34	26	H.3	Modification of COTS / MOTS product	It appears the Government wishes to place either TOR or DOR orders. How does the Government intend to address the situation when an entity has COTS / MOTS technology that is proprietary, but may require some modification / adaptation to meet the desired requirement	The majority of efforts under the JE-RDAP task/delivery orders will be R&D related and not COTS / MOTS. Any requirements for COTS / MOTS will be solicited as such and details of requirement will be provided at the RDAP task/delivery order level.
35	26	H.5.1	Bid and Proposal Costs	It is understood that B&P costs are not reimbursable on any task/delivery order, etc., unless mutually agreed to in writing, as stated in this section of the solicitation. It is assumed that the Government is not placing a restriction on B&P costs being reimbursable in accordance with CAS 420 as an element of the offeror's indirect cost pool. Please confirm.	Per Section L.1.1.13 The Government will not reimburse any Offeror for bid and proposal costs, as a contract line item, associated with responding to this solicitation. Also, per Section H.5.1 The Government will not reimburse contractors for bid and proposal costs associated with any task/delivery order proposal awarded on a competitive, sole source, or single offer basis, any IDIQ contract or RDAP task/delivery order modification, any on-ramp solicitation, or any no-cost settlement as a separate contract line item unless mutually agreed upon in writing.
36	26	H.6	Key Corporate Personnel	"Key Personnel are to be identified at the RDAP/delivery order level as applicable," but Volume I and Volume II both are to include identification of key corporate personnel and their respective roles and responsibilities. Would the Government please define key corporate personnel at the IDIQ and TO level?	Key personnel at the Order level are not to be defined at the IDIQ level. If key personnel are to be identified at the Order level, that will be specified in the specific Order requirements. Key corporate personnel referred to in Section L.2.1 are to be identified at the IDIQ level, as specified. These are the personnel that will be responsible for managing the JE-RDAP contracts at the IDIQ level. It is envisioned that the key corporate personnel positions will have little-to-no change over the duration of the IDIQ, while specific Orders may have different key personnel depending on the nature of the Order requirements.
37	26	H.6	Key Corporate Personnel	Does the government define "key corporate personnel" as personnel grouped as an indirect corporate overhead expense not directly identified with a single, final cost objective or direct cost to contract?	This may be the case. See question 36.
38	26	H.6	Key Corporate Personnel	Does the government define "key corporate personnel" as personnel who are direct billable to the management of the contract vehicle?	This may be the case. See question 36.
39	26	H.6	Key Corporate Personnel	If the government defines "key corporate personnel" as a grouped indirect expense not directly identified with a single, final cost objective but as a percentage of the general and administrative cost base, why is obtaining individual cost/price information on key corporate staff who are not directly billable to the contract in the best interest of the government?	The Government has to evaluate cost/price as part of any proposal evaluation.
40	26	H.6	Key Corporate Personnel	Is the government's intent that offerors outline the proposed "key corporate personnel" and their responsibilities and authorities specifically in regard to the management and oversight of this contract?	Yes.
41	26	H.6	Key Corporate Personnel	Is the government's requirement for identification of "key corporate personnel" to ensure that an awardee's corporate structure, management, and oversight will be adequate to ensure successful contract performance?	Yes.

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42	26	H.6	Key Corporate Personnel	Please confirm Section H.6 applies exclusively to key personnel who will be proposed to support individual task orders and are not required to be identified at the IDIQ level.	This is correct. Only labor categories are required at the IDIQ level.
43	26	H.6.2	Key Personnel List	Are offerors permitted to support key personnel requirements through subcontractors, or are all key personnel required at the prime level?	Listing of the Prime's Key CORPORATE Personnel (labor categories) who are to be responsible for managing and oversight of the IDIQ is required at the IDIQ level. As specified in future TO/DO RFPs, listings of Key Personnel (prime/sub) may be required.
44	26	H.6.2	Key Personnel List	H.6.1 refers to H.6.2 however, there are no personnel positions listed in H.6.2. It looks like the page may have been inadvertently cut off.	The page has not been left blank. The intention is to have the Offeror specify positions they deem to be key. Please review response to question 36 as well.
45	26	H.6.2	Key Personnel List	Is it correct to assume that a Key Personnel List is not required as part of this proposal submission at the JE-RDAP IDIQ level? However, it is correct to assume that a Key Personnel List will be required when submitting a proposal for a RDAP Task/Delivery Order?	A Key Personnel Listing is not required at the IDIQ level. See question 36. A listing of Key Personnel may be required at the TO/DO level; such a requirement would be specified in the TO/DO RFP.
46	26	H.6.2	Key Personnel List	Is the list of Key Personnel missing from the solicitation or was this initially left blank to permit contractors to furnish their own lists of recommended key personnel and supporting information?	The list of key personnel is not missing, the intention is to have the Offeror specify positions they deem to be key. See question 36.
47	26	H.6.2	Key Personnel List	Should Key Personnel be listed in terms of Labor Category? Or individual names?	For response to Section L.2.1.1.2 key corporate personnel should be listed in terms of labor category not by individual names. Please also see response to question 36 above.
48	26	H.6.2	Key Personnel List	There are no Key Personnel positions identified. Is it the government's intent to have the offeror specify the positions they deem key?	Yes, please see response to question 36 above
49	26	H.6.2	Key Personnel List	Will offerors be permitted at the TO level to support key personnel requirements through subcontractors, or are all key personnel required at the prime level?	For key personnel requirements at the Order level, offerors are permitted to support this requirement through subcontractors. Please also see response to question 43 above.
50	26	H6	Key personnel	Does the Government require a Key personnel list to be submitted with the response	No.
51	27	H.6	Key Personnel	Will the Government provide further information on how many or what types of positions would be considered key personnel in addition to a Program Manager and Contract Manager?	It is up to the Offeror to define what Key Corporate Personnel are for their organization. Please also see response to questions 36 above
52	27	H.6.3 - H.6.4	Key Personnel substitution / replacement	The clauses proposed would be appropriate in the event a potential replacement / substitution was already employed by the organization. What is the process if a new recruit is required, whereby the timescales requested may not be achievable.	The offeror should notify the Government as soon as they are aware of a Key Personnel change requirement. If replacement cannot be achieved in the desired time frame, the Government and Offeror would have to agree upon an acceptable revised timeframe.
53	28	H.7.6	Restrictions	Sentence beginning "The Contractor represents that if it discovers . . ." - There appears to be a cut/paste error in this section making the intent and message unclear.	RFP has been amended to correct copy/paste error
54	29	H.10	On Ramps	In the event that a JPEO Task Order comes out for delivery of production-level systems, but the On-Ramp Option is not offered to new companies, then how could a company that did not bid the Manufacturing Option offer their products? Could they at that time join an existing Manufacturing IDIQ as a subcontractor under another prime?	Yes, that is correct - the company could perform as a subcontractor under an IDIQ awardee.
55	29	H.9	Travel	H.9 states: "Cost for delays enroute (excluding Government-caused delays) will not be reimbursed. Will the Government re-imburse for travel costs due to force majeure such as hazardous weather conditions and airline flight cancellations?"	This will be assessed on a case-by-case basis at the Order level.
56	29	H.9	Travel	The solicitation states: "Application of general and administrative (G&A) rate on travel expenses is allowable if travel is normally part of the Contractor's G&A base." Please confirm that Offerors can apply indirect burdens other than G&A (e.g., Material & Handling (MHX), Program Management Office (PMO), etc.) when travel is normally part of the base for other-than-G&A indirect rates (e.g., MHX, PMO, etc.), in accordance with their customary accounting practices.	See revised CLIN; no profit will be allowed on ODC and Travel.
57	32	H.16.2	ITAR - Foreign Nationals	This statement implies the condition H.16.2 shall apply to all RDAP task / delivery orders (including those that are unclassified). Please confirm the requirement need not apply if the work concerned is of an unclassified nature.	This requirement applies to all RDAP task/delivery orders, unclassified or classified.

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58	33	H.18	SOFA	Paragraph (e) states "The contractor warrants and shall ensure that collectively, and individually, its officials and employees performing under this contract will not perform any contract, service, or other business activity in the ROK, except under U.S. Government contracts and that performance is IAW the SOFA". Does this infer that contractors who receive a JE-RDAP IDIQ level award would need to terminate any current direct sales to the ROK government or partnerships with Korean companies? Does this clause forbid JE-RDAP IDIQ awardees from marketing products or services directly to the ROK government or Korean businesses?	This only applies to JE-RDAP TO/Dos that must be handled IAW SOFA agreements.
59	36	Section I	Contract Clauses	How will the Government determine which task orders will require Earned Value Management System (EVMS) reporting? What percentage of Task Orders will require EVMS reporting?	Determination will be made in accordance with DFARS Subpart 234.2. There is no estimated percentage at this time.
60	40	Section I	DFARS clause 252.244-7001 Contractor Purchasing System Administration	Contractor Purchasing System Administration - Must an offeror's Purchasing System have been reviewed and found acceptable prior to submitting a task/delivery order proposal, or prior to receiving a task/delivery order?	Offeror's must have an acceptable system in accordance with the DFARS clause prior to award of an RDAP task/delivery order.
61	45	Section I	DFARS Clause 252.11-7003 Item unique identification and valuation (DEC 2013)	Will this clause apply to the marking of uniforms at anytime throughout this contract?	The clause is applicable to items with a unit price of \$5,000 or more although the Government can opt to impose on items with unit prices less than \$5,000. However, it is <u>unlikely this would come into play for uniforms.</u>
62	60	Section J	Attachment 1 - Cost_Price_Proposal_Template	"Enter base labor rates (Hourly rate - do not include fee)" Does the government want vendors to provide/use their current FY17 rate for the IDIQ phase? Will rates be permitted to be adjusted over the years of the IDIQ contract to accommodate for labor rate changes during RDAP Task Orders?	Yes, current FY17 rates should be provided. Yes, rates will be subject to economic adjustment over the duration of the IDIQ contract.
63	60	Section J	Attachment 1 - Cost_Price_Proposal_Template	"Enter Key Personnel identified in response to Section L.2.1.1.2 (if more rows are needed to identify all Key Personnel, copy and insert Row 24 as many times as needed to the bottom of the table)." Are offerors required to identify key corporate personnel by "name" or will the labor categories, position level, hourly rates, and the fully burdened rates of the key corporate personnel be considered compliant for the IDIQ phase of JE-RDAP?	Identifying key corporate personnel by labor categories, position level, hourly rates, and the fully burdened rates will be considered compliant.
64	60	Section J	Attachment 1 - Cost_Price_Proposal_Template	Are we to provide pricing for the entire 10 years of the base contract (i.e. escalation of rates)?	Attachment 1 - Cost Price Proposal Spreadsheet has been updated for offeror to input escalation % for out years.
65	60	Section J	Attachment 1 - Cost_Price_Proposal_Template	Columns B and C of the Cost Price Template are for Key Personnel Job Description and Level respectively. There appears to be no requirement to provide the name(s) of Key Personnel in the template. Is this correct?	Yes.
66	60	Section J	Attachment 1 Cost Worksheet Column D	Cost Attachment 1 requires offeror to provide one rate without the option of escalating for out years. Given that the ordering period is 10 years, should the offeror assume that there will be no escalation during the ordering period?	Attachment 1 - Cost Price Proposal Spreadsheet has been updated for offeror to input escalation % for out years.
67	60	Section J	Attachment 1 - Cost_Price_Proposal_Template	Does the Government expect offerors to provide key personnel filling all labor categories that would be used in performance of all potential future task orders in Attachment 1 - Cost Price Proposal Template?	No. Please see response to question 36 above.
68	60	Section J	Attachment 1 - Cost_Price_Proposal_Template	Fee percentage - How should fee be proposed in Attachment 1 for future RDAP task/delivery order price proposals, since these delivery orders could be fixed price or cost plus with Fixed Fee or Incentive Fee (target, minimum, maximum) types?	Per solicitation, provide all labor, indirects, etc. rates to show the buildup of the rate. Spreadsheet will be updated to include the removal of fee.
69	60	Section J	Attachment 1 - Cost_Price_Proposal_Template	If formulas in gray cells are not IAW with offeror's disclosure statement, can gray cells be modified? Or can the government Indicate where the additional information should be addressed to maintain compliance with our disclosure statement?	Gray cells can not be modified. Offeror can only add rows.
70	60	Section J	Attachment 1 - Cost_Price_Proposal_Template	In the Cost Proposal Template, is an individual's name AND Job Position entered, or just Job Position? For the "Level" column, please clarify what is to be entered.	Only the job position is required to be included. Different levels within the same labor category (e.g. Program Manager Level I, Level II, Level III, Level IV, etc.) are typically defined by the education level and amount of experience the individual filling the position possesses.
71	60	Section J	Attachments 3 through 7 and Exhibit A	Is it correct to assume that Attachments 3 through 7 and Exhibit A do not apply to the JE-RDAP IDIQ level solicitation but are included for solicitation awardees in responding to and executing RDAP Task/Delivery Orders?	That is correct

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72	60	Section J	Attachment 1 - Cost_Price_Proposal_Template	L.3.2 The offeror shall provide cost/price information on the key corporate personnel that were identified in paragraph L.2.1.1.2. The offeror shall complete the provided Microsoft Excel spreadsheet (Attachment 1), to include the labor categories, position level, hourly rates, and the fully burdened rates of the key corporate personnel identified. In Attachment 1, what does the header term "Level" mean in Column C?	Different levels within the same labor category (e.g. Program Manager Level I, Level II, Level III, Level IV, etc.) are typically defined by the education level and amount of experience the individual filling the position possesses.
73	60	Section J	Attachment 1 - Cost_Price_Proposal_Template	Per the footnotes at the bottom of Attachment 1, "If the offeror does not have a Forward Pricing Rate Agreement (FPRA), Forward Pricing Rate Recommendation (FPRR), or provisional billing rates; in order to assist the Government in evaluating the reasonableness of your proposed indirect rates, please provide the following information: 1. Proforma data used to develop your proposed indirect rates. This typically consists of pool costs and base costs that demonstrate how the indirect rates were derived. 2. Information regarding your projections for out years, including your assumptions and method for developing these estimates." Will the Government accept the Offeror's most recent Forward Pricing Rate Proposal that was submitted for approval to DCAA in place of the above? Can the Government provide guidance where Offerors should be responding to this request Administrative or Cost volume?	The government will not accept the FPRP that has been submitted to DCAA for audit, unless the audit is complete and DCMA has reviewed the results of the audit. We can not accept FPRP's that have not been audited, reviewed, or agreed upon. All costs related items shall be incorporated in Cost Volume.
74	60	Section J	Attachment 1 - Cost_Price_Proposal_Template	Please advise if vendors can enter job titles rather than individual names. It is difficult to commit to individual (personal) assignments at the IDIQ level. Section H.6 CONTRACTOR'S KEY PERSONNEL states that Key Personnel are to be identified at the RDAP task/delivery order level. (as applicable.)	Yes, job titles or labor categories are acceptable to list. Please also note, Attachment 1 should correlate with the response to Section L.2.1.1.2, not Section H.6.
75	60	Section J	Rate calculations	Please provide the Period of Performance (POP) for the rates to be provided in the table.	Per Section A.4 of the solicitation, the period of performance consists of one (1) ten (10) year base period.10 year PoP. Attachment 1 - Cost Price Proposal Spreadsheet has been updated for offeror to input escalation % for out years.
76	60	Section J	Attachment 1 - Cost_Price_Proposal_Template	Rate calculations - If it is planned to use subcontractor personnel as key team members, should their rates be included on the same table?	Yes, if these personnel are provided in response to Section L.2.1.1.2 - key corporate personnel identified to manage the contract at the IDIQ level.
77	60	Section J	Attachment 1 - Cost_Price_Proposal_Template Excel spreadsheet	Regarding this requirement: "2. Information regarding your projections for out years, including your assumptions and method for developing these estimates". Since there is no requirement to provide pricing for the out years we plan to tell you how we predict our indirect rates will change in the out years and why. Will that be acceptable?	Yes, provided sufficient backup is provided (i.e. was Global Insight or similar software used, a trend analysis of rates). Attachment 1 - Cost Price Proposal Spreadsheet has been updated for offeror to input escalation rates for out years.
78	60	Section J	Attachment 3 Contract Data Requirements List	Section J of the RFP identifies Attachment 3 as the DOD Contract Security Classification (DD 254) and Exhibit A as the Contract Data Requirements List. Is there a DD 254 assigned to the IDIQ? Is there an Exhibit A?	The Contract Data Requirement Listing provided as part of the solicitation should have been titled as Exhibit A. The Government will correct this via amendment to the solicitation. Please note that the CDRL is being provided only to inform Offerors of what they will need to provide after the start-of-contract meeting and is not required as part of the IDIQ proposal submission.
79	60	Section J	Attachment 1 - Cost_Price_Proposal_Template	Should the key labor categories be priced at Government site or Contractor Site?	Contractor site.
80	60	Section J	Attachment 1 - Cost_Price_Proposal_Template	Template indicates a burdened rate will auto calculate in Column I, "BURDENED RATE". Can the government indicate if Column I is a cost type burdened rate or a fixed price burdened rate?	Attachment 1 has been updated to allow offerors to input fully burdened cost rates and fully burdened firm fixed. Fee is removed, as this will be determined at task order level.
81	60	Section J	Attachment 1 - Cost_Price_Proposal_Template	Template Instructions #3 - Information regarding your projections for out years, your assumptions and method for developing those estimates - Are the rates for the out years to be provided as well?	Attachment 1 - Cost Price Proposal Spreadsheet has been updated for offeror to input escalation % for out years.
82	60	Section J	Attachment 1 - Cost_Price_Proposal_Template	Template Instructions #3 - Information regarding your projections for out years, your assumptions and method for developing those estimates - Please provide what is considered an out year and the POP associated with those years.	Per Section A.4 of the solicitation, the period of performance consists of one (1) ten (10) year base period. The out year consists of years 2-10.
83	60	Section J	Attachment 1 - Cost_Price_Proposal_Template	Template instructions indicate offeror should not modify gray cells. Template instructions also state that offeror should add additional indirect rates as needed. If offeror adds additional indirect rates, can gray cells be modified? Or can the government indicate where the additional information should be addressed to maintain compliance with our disclosure statement?	If there are additional rates (i.e. OH 1, OH 2, etc.) then rows can be modified with the applicable indirect rate. Offeror should not delete anything in the current cells or modify the columns or formulas.

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84	60	Section J	Attachment 1 - Cost_Price_Proposal_Template	The Cost Price template assumes offerors have a single set of indirect/burdens (Fringe, OH, G&A and Fee). Many firms have staff across multiple rate pools with different indirect structures. How does an offeror reflect that in the government provided template?	The offeror should utilize the rate pool appropriate to the key corporate personnel (identified in L.2.1.1.2) who will be managing the contract at the IDIQ level.
85	60	Section J	Attachment 1 – Cost_Price_Proposal_Template Excel spreadsheet	The note at the bottom of the template says "...please provide the following information: 1. Proforma data used to develop your proposed indirect rates. This typically consists of pool costs and base costs that demonstrate how the indirect rates were derived. 2. Information regarding your projections for out years, including your assumptions and method for developing these estimates." Question: can we provide a separate 1-2 page cost narrative with this requested information or shall we insert it on the spreadsheet at the bottom?	The solicitation will be updated to allow for no more than a 2 page narrative to accompany the spreadsheet.
86	60	Section J	Attachment 1 - Cost_Price_Proposal_Template	The period of performance for the IDIQ is for 10+ years. Given the length of the period of performance, are only current year rates to be included in Attachment 1, or how are contractors to identify different rates over the 10-year period of performance?	Attachment 1 - Cost Price Proposal Spreadsheet has been updated for offeror to input escalation % for out years. Offerors should provide the % of escalation per position on the base labor rate.
87	60	Section J	Cost Price Proposal Template	The pricing worksheet does not reflect how some vendors derive "fully burdened rates." and the instructions state that we are not to modify the formulas. Will the Government please consider allowing vendors to make appropriate adjustments to Columns E-H to more accurately reflect the way that individual vendors calculate their true fully burdened rates.	Gray cells can not be modified. Contractor can only add rows. If offerors disclosure statement or normal course of business states that they have additional indirect pools, then offeror is allowed to modify the rows to reflect accounting for different burdened rates. OH rates for different positions don't have to be the same as long as their is explanation.
88	60	Section J	Attachment 1 - Cost_Price_Proposal_Template	The required Cost Price Proposal Template requires listing of the individual components of our indirect rate structure, including our fee offering (Column H). Since the cost management risks in the execution of a Cost Plus and FFP contract vary substantially, will the offerors be bound to the fee proposed under this IDIQ for task orders issued as FFP?	Yes, for the specific labor categories and levels identified. However, the overall rates are still subject to economic adjustment over the duration of the IDIQ.
89	60	Section J	Attachment 1 - Cost_Price_Proposal_Template	The required Cost Price Proposal Template requires listing of the individual components of our indirect rate structure, including our fee offering (Column H). Will the fee proposed establish a ceiling for all task orders issued on a Cost Plus basis?	No, Fee has been removed, as this will be determined at task order level.
90	60	Section J	Attachment 1 - Cost_Price_Proposal_Template	The RFP contemplates various contract Task Order/Delivery Order types ((CPFF, CPIF, FFP, FPI, FP-PPR) for which profit/fee rates would vary. Attachment 1 requires the inclusion of fee for each labor category. Since fee is dependent on task/order types, what contract types should be assumed in the preparation of Attachment 1?	Attachment 1 has been updated to allow offerors to input fully burdened cost rates and fully burdened firm fixed. Fee is removed, as this will be determined at task order level.
91	60	Section J	Cost Proposal Worksheet Template Instructions	What is the column stating "Fee/Contingency" requesting?	Profit Rate
92	60	Section J	Attachment 1 – Cost_Price_Proposal_Template Excel spreadsheet	What standard/reference is used to define the levels of Key Personnel in Column C of the Cost Price Proposal?	There are multiple resources available to the Government that allow for comparison of offerors rates to industry standards. Whichever is chosen will be used to compare each offerors proposal independently to those industry standards.
93	60	Section J	Attachment 4 Past Performance Questionnaire; Attachment 5, and Attachment 6	Will there be an Attachment 4, 5, and/or 6 issued with the IDIQ RFP Data?	No, these attachments are not applicable at the IDIQ Contract level. They may be applicable at the RDAP task/delivery order.
94	60	Section J	Attachment 1 - Cost_Price_Proposal_Template	Will work under this IDIQ be performed on-site at Government facilities or off-site at other than Government facilities? Will the Government allow offerors to submit both on-site and off-site rates?	Each Order will have unique requirements - some may require work to be performed onsite at Government facilities; some may require work to be performed off-site at other than Government facilities. The rates provided in Attachment 1 are only referring to those for the key corporate personnel identified in L.2.1.1.2, that will provide management at the IDIQ level. The rates in Attachment 1 are not for key personnel to be identified in future Order requirements
95	72	L.1.1	Each Offeror (operating as a distinct operating entity)	Does this mean the Government is looking for Technical Proposals that only address the Prime Offeror and not Teaming arrangements at the IDIQ Level?	Distinct operating entity refers to companies that have multiple business entities. Each business entity will have to submit a separate proposal. If a team is utilized at the IDIQ level, the key corporate personnel of that team should be identified. However, the Government does not require or encourage teaming at the IDIQ level if an offeror can be responsive without teaming

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96	72	L.1.1.1	Proposal Submittal	L.1.1.2 requires that offeror's proposal shall submitted via email and that compressed or .zip files shall not be submitted. Proprietary data should not and shall not per company policy be transmitted via email unless by password - protected .zip file. How can proposals that include proprietary data be submitted via email?	Proposals may be sent via encrypted email or through an offerors "safe" website if necessary. .zip files are not acceptable.
97	72	L.1.1.1	Distinct Operating Entity	We have two separate LLCs (separate CAGE, DUNS and TIN numbers). One of them is dedicated in providing Technical/R&D services, such as government development contracts, and the other one manufactures systems and delivers them to order. The LLLs have common management and share facilities. In a previous answer, the government said that in order to be able to bid in both Technical/Integration and Manufacturing/Production options of the JE-RDAP, the company would have to be a "distinct business entity". So, would then this imply that the two LLCs are not "distinct business entities", hence they cannot bid both options?	An offeror will not have to bid in both Technical/Integration and Manufacturing/Production options in order to compete in the area that is not addressed. Each future Order will be competed as fair opportunity (for every IDIQ awardee), unless an exception to fair opportunity exists or the Order is set aside for Small business. Each LLC described is eligible to compete as a distinct business entity, with each entity having potential to be an IDIQ awardee.
98	72	L.1.1.9	General Instructions	The Government has indicated they will not be evaluating any information provided in the Administrative Volume. How will the Government determine reasonableness and realism of the offer if the information other than certified cost or pricing data is to submitted with the <u>unevaluated Administrative Volume III</u> ?	All cost related information shall be included in the cost volume along with a narrative of how rates were calculated.
99	72	L.2.2.1.1	Previous Experience	At the IDIQ Proposal level are we limited to just addressing the Offeror's (as a distinct entity) technical experience or the technical experience of our existing team?	If the Offeror is proposing as part of a team, rather than as a standalone entity, the offeror may utilize technical experience of team members.
100	72	Section K	52.204-8 ANNUAL REPRESENTATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS (DEC 2014) - paragraph b(1) and b(2)	Is the provision at 52.204-7, System for Award Management included in this solicitation? And if it is and Paragraph (d) applies, what impact does that have on the requirement at Mod 002 page 7 to provide "Provisions/Clauses"?	Provision 52.204-7 System for Award Management is included in the solicitation, therefore paragraph (d) of Provision 52.204-8 Annual Representations and Certifications applies. L.5.2.3 Provisions/Clauses refers to offeror's acknowledgement of all the provisions and clauses that are in effect for the IDIQ RFP and subsequent RDAP task/delivery order RFP's
101	73	L.2.2	Core Competency	This section states that "the Offeror shall demonstrate its core competency in either, but not both, of the areas below (L.2.2.1 or L.2.2.2)." Later, in Section L.2.2.3, the offeror is asked to "describe its general plan for obtaining the necessary organization, experience, accounting and operational controls or the necessary production, technical equipment and facilities for the area not identified as a core competency (either Technical/Integration (M.3.1.3.2.1) or Manufacturing/Production (M.3.1.3.2.2))." Our understanding is that each offeror should respond to the items under either (but not both) Technical/Integration (L.2.2.1) or Manufacturing/Production (L.2.2.2), then address its general plan to obtain either "the necessary organization, experience, accounting and operational controls or the necessary production, technical equipment and facilities for the other area not previously addressed (either Technical/Integration (L.2.2.1) or Manufacturing/Production (L.2.2.2). Please confirm that this understanding is correct.	This is correct. The offeror shall respond to either L.2.2.1 or L.2.2.2. If the offeror responds to section L.2.2.1, then in L.2.2.3 the response should correlate with the plan to obtain what is specified for L.2.2.2. If the offeror responds to section L.2.2.2, then in L.2.2.3 the response should correlate with the plan to obtain what is specified for L.2.2.1.
102	73	L.1.1.9	General Instructions	Section L.1.1.9 of the RFP sates that, "The Government will not be evaluating information provided in the Administrative Volume." Can the Government please clarify their intent for having offerors provide the required <u>information per section L.5 if it is not being evaluated?</u>	Information is being requested to assist the Contracting Office in administration of potential IDIQ contracts and subsequent RDAP task/delivery orders. Information of this type does not require evaluation, it is administrative in nature.
103	73	L.2.1	Corporate Management	Section L.2.1 requires the identification of key corporate personnel, with roles and responsibilities. Section L.3 requires labor categories, position level, hourly rates, and fully burdened rates of key personnel identified in section L.2.1. Please clarify the government's definition of corporate key personnel at the ID/IQ level	Key corporate personnel referred to in Section L.2.1 are to be identified at the IDIQ level, as specified. These are the personnel that will be responsible for managing the JE-RDAP contracts at the IDIQ level. It is envisioned that the key corporate personnel positions will have little-to-no change over the duration of the IDIQ, while specific Orders may have different key personnel depending on the nature of the Order requirements.
104	73	L.2.1	Corporate Management	The instructions for "Corporate Management" in Section L.2.1 read very similar to the evaluation criteria for "Corporate Management" in M.3.1.3.1. Can the government clarify how they will differentiate between a corporate management description which is technically acceptable and a corporate management description which is not technically <u>acceptable?</u>	A technically acceptable corporate management description is one that is responsive to all requirements specified in Section L.2.1.
105	73	L.2.1.1		Does the Government expect offerors to submit their overall corporate organizational chart, or an organizational chart for how the RDAP IDIQ contract will be managed and executed by the offeror?	An organizational chart for how the RDAP IDIQ contract will be managed and executed by the offeror shall be provided in response to Section L.2.1.1.1.

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106	73	L.2.1.1.2	Key Corporate Personnel	Are bidders required to provide names for key corporate personnel?	No
107	73	L.2.1.1.2	Corporate Management	Are offerors permitted to furnish their own lists of recommended key personnel and supporting information to support the requirement to provide descriptions of key roles?	Yes.
108	73	L.2.1.1.2	Key Corporate Personnel	Are we to include all personnel that we believe at this time will be utilized in future task orders? Will we have the opportunity to add personnel under specific Task orders?	No and Yes.
109	73	L.2.1.1.2	Key Corporate Personnel	Can you be more specific as to who you consider to be "Key Corporate Personnel", and why labor rates for such individuals would be considered representative of the cost of technical staff such as would be required for JE-RDAP?	Please see response to question 36 above for an explanation on key corporate personnel. The labor rates of these key corporate personnel are considered representative of the cost of the JE-RDAP technical staff for the offeror, because they will be directly utilized to manage the contract at the IDIQ level.
110	73	L.2.1.1.2	Key Corporate Personnel	Could you provide additional detail regarding what types of corporate personnel would be considered "key?" Is this management staff that would play a major role in addressing TOs, or would it include executive positions like COO/CFO/CEO?	It would include any positions that the offeror plans on utilizing to manage the contract at the IDIQ level. These types of positions may vary depending on the size of the company, so may differ from offeror to offeror.
111	73	L.2.1.1.2	Key Corporate Personnel	Do bidders need to define hours they predict will be needed to work on manufacturing and production contracts?	No, that would be unique to the specific, future RDAP task/delivery order requirements.
112	73	L.2.1.1.2	Key Corporate Personnel	Does the term "corporate" in "key corporate personnel" refer only to program management staff who will manage the IDIQ, or do key personnel also include technical staff who execute R&D or manufacturing task orders?	Yes; it refers only to staff who will manage the IDIQ.
113	73	L.2.1.1.2	Key Corporate Personnel	Due to the page count limitation cited in RFP Section L.4.1.3, if Attachment 1 is the basis for a rate schedule, can the full job descriptions for each labor category (which include role and responsibility) be submitted to the Government as an attachment to the submission outside of the limited page count?	The roles and responsibilities of the key corporate personnel should be submitted as a response to Section L.2.1.1.2; it should not be included in Attachment 1. It will be included as part of the page count to Volume 1.
114	73	L.2.1.1.2	Key Corporate Personnel	Given that future task/delivery orders are expected to require labor categories and personnel not considered to be key corporate personnel required in Attachment 1, how will the ceiling rates be incorporated into future task/delivery orders? Will Offeror's be allowed to proposed additional labor categories at the task/delivery order level?	The solicitation has been amended to remove reference to ceiling rates. Yes, offeror's will be allowed to propose additional labor categories at the Order level.
115	73	L.2.1.1.2	Key Corporate Personnel	How are we to define key personnel? Does that relate to the corporate officers, or the contract performer key personnel, or some other definition?	Please see response to questions 36 and 110 above.
116	73	L.2.1.1.2	Key corporate personnel	How does the Government define Key Corporate Personnel? Are Key corporate personnel those individuals who would be performing on task at the DO/TO level (from the IDIQ PM downward) or does the Government intend offerors to include all corporate personnel that will be part of this program (e.g., CEO/President, SVPs, Senior Directors, Accounting, BD, etc.)? Can the Government clarify their definition of key corporate personnel?	Please see the response to questions 36 and 110 above.
117	73	L.2.1.1.2	Key Corporate Personnel	How will the government determine acceptable labor rates if no labor categories are identified in its solicitation?	There are multiple resources available to the Government that allow for comparison of offerors rates to industry standards. Whichever is chosen will be used to compare each offerors proposal independently to those industry standards.
118	73	L.2.1.1.2	Key Corporate Personnel	Please clarify and specify your intent for "key corporate personnel" – are offerors required to submit named individuals and their associated pricing information? Or are you expecting offerors to develop labor categories for key corporate personnel positions? Attachment 1 appears to be designed as a LCAT schedule for the IDIQ contract. As such we would expect to submit a labor category schedule to include LCAT description that includes education and experience levels, along with LCAT rates.	Offerors are not required to submit named individuals, only labor categories and levels of the key corporate personnel that the offeror will utilize to manage the contract at the IDIQ level. Please refer to responses to question 36 above.
119	73	L.2.1.1.2	Key Corporate Personnel	Please confirm key corporate personnel are to be identified for evaluation purposes only and are not intended to be incorporated under the IDIQ contract. We note Section H.6 reflects a requirement for key personnel at the task order level.	It is correct that key corporate personnel are to be identified for evaluation purposes only. Please also see the response to questions 36 and 110 above.
120	73	L.2.1.1.2	Key corporate personnel	Please provide a definition of "key corporate personnel". Is it accurate to say key corporate personnel work for corporate HQ only doing indirect and overhead functions and are not ordinarily direct billable to clients? Would our prospective JE RDAP PM be considered key corporate personnel if currently an employee but not at corporate HQ?	Please see the response to questions 36 and 110 above.
121	73	L.2.1.1.2	Key Corporate Personnel	Regarding task order key personnel. Will the government identify which positions it considers key personnel in its task order RFP, or will it be up to the bidder to identify the positions it considers key?	This will vary on a case-by-case basis in future Order requirements, but will be specified at the Order level.

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122	73	L.2.1.1.2	Key Corporate Personnel	Should the bidders interpret the term "Key Personnel" as all potential Labor Categories that the bidder believes to be essential in completing task order work on this contract? In other words, is the Government effectively asking for a rate schedule (such as GSA IT Schedule 70) that will be applied to all task orders issued under the IDIQ?	No. Please see the response to question 36 above.
123	73	L.2.1.1.2	Key Corporate Personnel	The government is asking for information on corporate key personnel. Does it expect bidders to bid any of this staff into billable hours on task orders contracts?	That will be up to the offeror.
124	73	L.2.1.1.2	Resumes	The RFP requests a list of key corporate personnel, but does not mention resumes or biographies at any point. In a previous response to questions released on 9/30/16 (Question #75), the Government stated that "The Offeror shall identify (number, labor categories etc.) of key corporate personnel (L.3.1.1). It is incumbent upon the Offeror to describe how those key corporate personnel may be utilized in their future approach to managing, overseeing and executing cost, schedule and performance on future RDAP Orders. <i>The Government is not asking for resumes or biographies.</i> " Please confirm that resumes and biographies are still not required.	Resumes and biographies are still not required. The offeror must respond to all of Section L.2.1 in order to fully define how key corporate personnel will be utilized at the IDIQ level (and task/deliver order level, as/if applicable).
125	73	L.2.1.1.2	Key Corporate Personnel	These sections request the identification and pricing of "key corporate personnel". Please provide insight into the governments intent into defining this category of personnel. Is this Offeror's corporate leadership (i.e. President, CFO, VP of Engineering)?	Please see responses to questions 36 and 110 above. Also, please note that pricing of key corporate personnel should be provided in response to Section L.3.2 via Attachment 1; pricing should not be included as a response to Section L.2.1.
126	73	L.2.1.1.2	Key Corporate Personnel	This paragraph asks for "Identification of key corporate personnel." As this is part of a larger section covering Corporate Management, please clarify the Government's definition of "key corporate personnel" for purposes of this proposal.	Please see response to questions 36 and 110 above.
127	73	L.2.1.1.2	Corporate Management	What is the definition of "key corporate personnel?" Only those individuals involved in management? Or should technical positions also be listed?	Please see the response to questions 36 and 110 above.
128	73	L.2.1.1.2	Key Corporate Personnel	What type of information are you seeking for key corporate personnel position level? Would "Entry, Mid, Senior, Management, Executive" suffice?	It is dependent upon how the Offeror has structured their positions internally. "Entry, Mid, Senior, etc." will suffice if that is how the Offerors key corporate personnel are identified.
129	73	L.2.1.1.2	Key Corporate Personnel	Will the Government include labor categories, along with education/experience requirements and descriptions, for all Offeror's to provide quotes for? This would put all Offeror's on an even playing field and simplify the Government's proposal reviews.	No, it is up to each offeror to define what they consider to be Key Corporate Personnel. Please also see guidance provided under question 72.
130	73	L.2.1.1.2	Key Corporate Personnel	L.2.1.1.2 requires identification of "key corporate personnel" and description of roles and responsibilities. The potential exists for wide disparity in the number of "key corporate personnel" identified by individual companies. Please provide additional clarification for "key corporate personnel". Is this for the Contractor's infrastructure management of the JE-RDAP Program or is this for the technical expertise and execution of authorized task orders?	Please see response to questions 36 and 110 above.
131	73	L.2.1.1.2	Key Corporate Personnel	Can you clarify the list of key personnel requested? Does this include personnel below the task order level such as task order admin, engineering, scientist, technician, quality, logistics, etc.? Since we do not have a list of possible task orders the list of personnel required to cover all possible task is very extensive. Can you describe in a list the key personal requested? This will impact the preparation of our cost proposal.	Please see response to questions 36 and 110 above.
132	73	L.2.1.1.2	Key Corporate Personnel	Are offerors required to identify key corporate personnel by "name" or will the labor categories, roles, and responsibilities of key personnel be considered compliant for the IDIQ phase of JE-RDAP?	No, offerors are not required to identify key corporate personnel by name. Labor categories, roles and responsibilities will be considered compliant.
133	73	L.2.1.1.3	Lines of Authority	"Lines of authority" – What is intended to be described or explained in this section? Need to know what part of the organization or personnel this refers to (e.g. The corporate structure or the program management team.)	"Lines of Authority" within a business establishes communications and who is in charge of giving orders contributing to the efficient operations and attainment of the Company's objectives. For JE-RDAP it will describe the management, directive and oversight relationship between the Key Corporate Personnel overseeing the IDIQ and the subordinate organization executing JE-RDAP TO/DOs.
134	73	L.2.1.1.4	Communication Strategies	"Communication Strategies" – What is intended to be described or explained in this section? Need to know among what parties the communications strategies refer to?	The intent is to have the offeror describe the internal communications strategy among the contract team, as well as, the strategy to communicate with the JPEO-CBD for issues at the IDIQ level.

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135	73	L.2.1.1.4	Communication Strategies	Can you clarify what this is requesting? Do you mean our internal communications strategy and/or our communication strategy with others outside our contract team to include the JPEO CBD, Services, OGAs like DOT&E, subcontractors, DCAA, The list is lengthy. What is the intent of this requirement?	The intent is to have the offeror describe the internal communications strategy among the contract team, as well as, the strategy to communicate with the JPEO-CBD for issues at the IDIQ level.
136	73	L.2.2	Technical and Production Approach	According to Clause L.2.2, "The Offeror shall demonstrate its core competency in either, but not both, of the areas below (L.2.2.1 or L.2.2.2)." § L.2.2.1 is the Technical/Integration Approach, which relates to "the research, design, and development of a CBRNE Defense system/capability - OR- a non-CBRNE hardware, software, or combined hardware/software intensive program. § L.2.2.2 is the Manufacturing/Production Approach, which relates to the production and manufacture of a system, item of equipment, or material. Since the offeror has to pick one of two functional areas to demonstrate its core competency and provide fixed rates for an extended period how does the government suggest the offeror handle personnel with capabilities (such as Engineering) that will	The rates provided should only correlate to the key corporate personnel identified in Section L.2.1.1.2; the rates are not affected by the response to either section L.2.2.1 or L.2.2.2. Please also see response to questions 36 and 110 above.
137	73	L.2.2	Technical and Production Approach	As our company is able to provide research, design, and development and production and manufacture of CBRNE systems we request this restriction be eliminated.	The Government will not be removing this restriction. The offeror will have an opportunity to address expertise in the area not responded to (either L.2.2.1 or L.2.2.2) when responding to L.2.2.3. Additionally, every IDIQ awardee will be able to compete on all future Orders (regardless of core competency submitted at the IDIQ level), with the exception of Orders that will have limited competition due to an exception to fair opportunity or due to being a Small Business Set Aside
138	73	L.2.2	Technical and Production Approach	Based on the functional area chosen by the offeror does the offeror exclude themselves from working opportunities in the other functional area (i.e. could a company that now designs and manufactures their own product solutions end up designing solutions that would have to be built by another firm if they select the Technical/Integration Approach functional area to respond to	No, the offeror would not be excluding themselves.
139	73	L.2.2	Technical and Production Approach	Can the government confirm that of a company responds to functional area of production in its proposal response that it will still be able to bid for task orders that are for Research, design and development as it may well be expert at both.	Yes. Please see response to question 136 above.
140	73	L.2.2	Technical and Production Approach	Concerning Clause L.2.2, "The Offeror shall demonstrate its core competency in either, but not both, of the areas below..."As our company MAY be able to provide both research, design, and development AND production and manufacture of CBRNE systems we request this restriction be eliminated to allow for us to bid for Task Orders issued against either requirement	The Government will not be removing this restriction. Please see response to question 136 above.
141	73	L.2.2	Technical and Production Approach	If an offeror is required to choose only one (1) core competency for proposal submission (Technical/Integration or Production Approach), is that same offeror permitted to still support both Technical/Integration and Production Approach task orders in future task order level bidding?	Yes.
142	73	L.2.2	Technical and Production Approach	L.2.2 requests a demonstration of the Offeror's core competency in either, but not both, areas of Technical/Integration and Manufacturing/Production. That paragraph further states that the offeror should indicate how they would obtain the necessary assets, process, standards, personnel, skills, etc. for the area not previously demonstrated as a core competency. Our company has expertise in both areas (Integration and Production) and feel that we could provide an acceptable response to those areas. With that, will a response in one area (for example Integration) eliminate our ability to respond to Task Order Requests related to the other area (Production)? If not, will our response to one area (for example Integration) reduce our potential to secure an award of a future Task Order for the other area (Production)? Would the government, in L.2.2, allow for submittal in both areas if adequate core competencies and past experience exist to reduce the potential of creating a situation where one of the areas is forced to be reduced to an area lacking the required corporate core competencies necessary to receive an award?	No, response to one area will not preclude or reduce an offeror's potential to secure an award in the opposite area. No, the government will not allow a response to both areas; the expertise the offeror possesses in the area that they do not respond to can be addressed with the response to Section L.2.2.3.

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143	73	L.2.2	Technical and Production Approach	L.2.2 requires that an offeror "shall demonstrate its core competency in either, but not both, of the areas" of L.2.2.1 Technical/Integration Approach or L.2.2.2 Manufacturing/Production Approach. Will the submission of a proposal in just one core competency limit a company to proposing on JE-RDAP task orders in just the selected core competency, should the company receive an award and if they are qualified in both competency areas?	No. Please see response to question 136 above.
144	73	L.2.2	Technical and Production Approach	L.2.2 states that an offeror shall demonstrate its core competency in either, but not both of the areas in L.2.2.1 or L.2.2.2. Our company has competencies in both Technical/Integration and Manufacturing Production contract execution. Understanding that we'll have to demonstrate our core competency as one of the two areas per the proposal instructions, can we be assured that establishment of a core competency will not preclude us from bidding on and potentially receiving awards relative to the other competency area?	Yes.
145	73	L.2.2	Technical and Production Approach	Section L 2.2 (Technical/Integration Approach) states that offers are to select either L.2.2.1 or L.2.2.2 as their primary offering. Section L 2.2.1 requires 6 sub-bullets to be fully addressed while L.2.2.2 only has 2 sub-bullets that must be addressed. Will the Government allow offers responding to section L.2.2.1 an additional 5 pages to compensate for the discrepancy between the number of items that must addressed between technical/integration and production/scale-up approaches?	No; two of the sub-bullets are for clarification purposes only.
146	73	L.2.2	Technical and Production Approach	Section L instructs "The Offeror shall demonstrate its core competency in either, <u>but not both</u> , of the areas below (L.2.2.1 or L.2.2.2)." This appears to presuppose that a company does not have both as a core capability, which may be of value to the Government. Please explain the intent of this instruction as it relates to the evaluation criteria in Section M. Would the Government consider deleting "but not both" which would remove the confusion related to this instruction	For Section M, the Government will evaluate the core competency that the offeror responds to (either L.2.2.1 or L.2.2.2). The Government will not be deleting the "but not both" restriction. Please see response to question 137 above.
147	73	L.2.2	Technical and Production Approach	Section L.2.2 specifies that the offeror shall demonstrate the ability to obtain everything required to support the fulfillment of task orders outside of the self-defined core competency. Is it the government's intent that the focus of the response be the demonstration of ability to deliver on the core competency, or the ability to support the fulfillment of task orders outside of the core competency?	Section L.2.2.3 Ability to obtain necessary resources refers to the offeror's ability to support the fulfillment of a task/delivery order outside of its core competency
148	73	L.2.2	Technical and production approach	The instructions for "Technical and Production Approach" in Section L.2.2 read very similar to the evaluation criteria for "Technical and Production Approach" in M.3.1.3.2. Can the government clarify how they will differentiate between a technical and production approach which is technically acceptable and an approach which is not technically acceptable?	An offeror that has a technical and production approach that is technically acceptable, is one that responds to all criteria specified in L.2.2.
149	73	L.2.2	Technical and Production Approach	The Solicitation requires the Offeror to demonstrate its core competency in either, but not both, of the areas below (L.2.2.1 and L.2.2.2)". Why is there a requirement to restrict companies to only 1 of the 2 disciplines relating to CBRNE Defense system/capability?. This is restricting a company, who has demonstrated proficiency with other relevant US Government agencies, being able to submit its best proposal and provide their fullest response on capabilities and competencies that can be brought to bear to meet the challenging needs of both technology development and equipment integration	The offeror will have an opportunity to address expertise in the area not responded to (either L.2.2.1 or L.2.2.2) when responding to L.2.2.3. Additionally, every IDIQ awardee will be able to compete on all future Orders (regardless of core competency submitted at the IDIQ level), with the exception of Orders that will have limited competition due to an exception to fair opportunity or due to being a Small Business Set Aside.
150	73	L.2.2	Technical and Production Approach	Upon selecting either Technical/Integration (L.2.2.1) or Manufacturing/Production (L.2.2.2) as offeror's core competency is the offeror only required to address Previous Experience and Future Approach for the core competency if it demonstrates the ability to obtain the production, technical equipment, facilities, necessary organization, accounting, operational controls, and technical skills (including, as appropriate, such elements as production control procedures, property control systems, quality assurance measures, and safety programs applicable to materials to be produced or services to be performed by the prospective contractor and subcontractors) for the area not previously demonstrated as a core competency (either Technical/Integration (L.2.2.1) or Manufacturing/Production (L.2.2.2))?	If the offeror responds to L.2.2.1, they must respond to L.2.2.1.1 and L.2.2.1.2. Additionally, the offeror will have to respond to L.2.2.3 in reference to Manufacturing/Production. If the offeror responds to L.2.2.2, they must respond to L.2.2.2.1 and L.2.2.2.2. Additionally, the offeror will have to respond to L.2.2.3 in reference to Technical/Integration.
151	73	L.2.2	Technical and Production Approach	We can provide research, product development and manufacturing – would it be possible for us to demonstrate competency in all areas?	No, each Offeror must choose a core competency to respond to.

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152	73	L.2.2	Technical and Production Approach	We would like to hear the government's guidance on the following scenario: Company A wins an IDIQ for the Technical/Integration option and a JPEO Task Order comes out later for procurement of a number of already developed, mature/catalog systems. Company A can indeed deliver these systems, because it also has manufacturing capability for mature (MRL 8/9) products, but it does not have the right IDIQ, since it only bid the Technical/Integration one. What happens in that case?	If Company A wins an IDIQ, they will be able to compete on all future Orders (regardless of core competency submitted at the IDIQ level), with the exception of Orders that will have limited competition due to an exception to fair opportunity or due to being a Small Business Set Aside.
153	73	L.2.2.1 and L.2.2.2.	Technical and Production Approach	Will competency designation of either L.2.2.1 vs. L.2.2.2 in this proposal exclude us from potential work in the other category that we are competent to execute?	No, every IDIQ awardee will be able to compete on all future Orders (regardless of core competency submitted at the IDIQ level), with the exception of Orders that will have limited competition due to an exception to fair opportunity or due to being a Small Business Set Aside.
154	73	L.2.2.1.1.	Technical/Integration Previous Experience	The offeror is required to "describe its previous experience...relative to the <i>research, design, and development</i> of a CBRNE Defense system/capability – OR – a non-CBRNE hardware, software, or combined hardware/software intensive program." However, under the corresponding evaluation criteria in Section M.3.1.3.2.1.1.1, the offeror is being asked to "describes its previous experience relative to the research, design, development, <i>and production/procurement</i> of a CBRNE Defense – OR – a non-CBRNE hardware, software, or combined hardware/software intensive program." Since Section L.2.2 on page 73 specifies that "the Offeror shall demonstrate its core competency in either, but not both" of the two areas of competency, please confirm that "production/procurement" experience is not required for offerors focusing on the Technical/Integration core competency area.	That is correct; production/procurement experience is not required for offerors focusing on the Technical/Integration core competency area. The RFP has been amended to update the language at M.3.1.3.2.1.1.1 to remove "and production/procurement"
155	73	L.2.2.1.1.1	Previous Experience	For the non-CBRNE program, can this be a commercial program or must it be government? If the RFP only calls for one previous program in this section, could this be a second one?	A non-CBRNE program can be a commercial program, if the previous experience described within the proposal addresses the Offeror's understanding of the Defense Acquisition System processes, procedures and/or activities (specifically, pages 16-30 of DODI 5000.02, dated Jan 7, 2015). Multiple programs can be listed, however, the offeror must address their understanding of the Defense Acquisition System processes, procedures and/or activities when describing their previous experience.
156	73	L.2.2.1.1.1	Previous Experience	Is the write up for just one project or can we include several? The RFP uses the word "program", not plural, in this section.	Multiple experiences can be listed. However, The offeror must address their understanding of the Defense Acquisition System processes, procedures and/or activities when describing their previous experience.
157	74	L.2.2.1.2	Future Approach for RDAP Orders	Please clarify how this section should be distinguished from the vendor's response to Section L.2.1.2 – Future Approach	Section L.2.1.2 refers to the offeror's corporate approach for managing, overseeing, and executing cost, schedule, and performance on future RDAP orders. Section L.2.2.1.2 refers to the future methodology relative to the research, design and development of a system/capability/program. This future methodology should reflect the offeror's understanding of the Defense Acquisition System processes, procedures and/or activities (specifically, pages 16-30 of DODI 5000.02, dated Jan 7, 2015). Additionally, this section requires the Offeror to describe its future approach to integrate systems, capabilities, equipment, supplies or material into a system-of-systems related to research, design and development. The future approach in L.2.1.2 is focused on managing, overseeing and executing the cost, schedule and performance of future RDAP Orders. The future approach in Section L.2.2.1.2 is focused on the methodology to perform research, design and development in accordance with DODI 5000.02, as well as, an approach for the integration of systems, capabilities, equipment, supplies or material into a system-of-systems. As specified, the responses to Section L.2.2.1.2 can consider/leverage lessons learned, new/novel approaches, and/or emerging technologies as part of those approaches.
158	74	L.2.2.1.2.1.1	DoDI 5000.02 pp. 16-30	Given that we are classified as a Small Business, and will be qualifying under the Technical/Integration Approach (L.2.2.1) (vs. the Manufacturing/Production Approach – L.2.2.2), are all portions of the DoDI 5000.02 pp. 16-30 relevant? We believe we are compatible with and understand the DoDI process, insofar as the portions called out in pp. 16-30 are relevant to the Research and Development portion of the acquisition, that is, prior to Milestone B.	The offeror may portray an understanding of any part of DoDI 5000.02 pp.16-30 in order to be considered responsive.

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159	74	L.2.2.1.2.1.1	DoDI 5000.02, pp. 9-15	Would it be appropriate and considered compliant when addressing understanding of DoDI 5000.02 (Sec. L.2.2.1.2.1.1) to reference any of the documented acquisition models that we may be most familiar with (contained in DoDI 5000.02, pp. 9-15)?	The offeror may reference documented acquisition models contained in pp. 9-15; however, in order to be considered responsive, the offeror must also address an understanding of any part of pp. 16-30.
160	74	L.2.2.2.1	General	If the contractor is a distributor of items from a Qualifying Country, can the contractor utilize examples of the Original Manufacturer's capability/competency as examples of <u>previous experience in Manufacturing/Production approach?</u>	The offeror may utilize any previous experience examples in which the offeror possesses, that are relative to the production and manufacture of a system, item of equipment, or material.
161	74	L.2.2.3.1	Ability to Obtain Necessary Resources	MRL/scale up does not usually apply to software only systems. Can you give us some guidance on how ability to obtain necessary resources for manufacturing/production might apply to software only systems that require little if any assistance to field/release, or how this section should be addressed for software in a general sense?	The MRL comparable standard for software is a Technology Readiness Level (TRL). Each JPM Information System has an associated TRL. Each JPM Information System requires specific resources based upon requirements to field and release software. Software fielding/release requirements including TRLs will be part of future RDAP Orders <u>completed under IE-RDAP</u> .
162	74	L.2.3	Cost Management	The instructions for "Cost Management" in Section L.2.3 read very similar to the evaluation criteria for "Cost Management" in M.3.1.3.3. Can the government clarify how they will differentiate between a cost management description which is technically <u>acceptable and a description which is not technically acceptable?</u>	A technically acceptable cost management description is one that is responsive to all requirements specified in Section L.2.3.
163	74	L.3.2	Volume II- Cost/Price	Are offerors supposed to make separate tabs for each of the required cost-reimbursable and <u>firm fixed price rates?</u>	Attachment 1 has been updated to allow offerors to input fully burdened cost rates and fully <u>burdened firm fixed.</u>
164	74	L.3.2	Volume II- Cost/Price	Are there a minimum amount of key personnel required for the bid phase of this ID/IQ?	No.
165	74	L.3.2	Volume II- Cost/Price	If an offeror proposes to either one of Technical/Integration or Production Approaches and provides supporting labor categories, position levels, rates, etc. associated with that approach for Volume I and Volume II, how does the same offeror get rates and personnel approved to support the other Approach to enable offerors to support both engineering and <u>manufacturing tasks at the TO level?</u>	Please see the response to question 136 above.
166	74	L.3.2	Volume II- Cost/Price	Is pricing only required for key personnel?	Yes, pricing is only required for key corporate personnel identified in response to Section <u>L.2.1.1.2. Please also refer to the response to question 36 above.</u>
167	74	L.3.2	Volume II- Cost/Price	Which CLIN (s) is (are) to be priced in the pricing worksheet? Indirect rates shift based on type of contract depending on level of risk inherent upon both the offeror and USG in <u>execution of the proposed work.</u>	Attachment 1 has been updated to allow offerors to input fully burdened cost rates and fully burdened firm fixed. Fee is removed as this will be determined at task order level.
168	75	L.3	Cost/Price Evaluation	If a company decides to bid on the Manufacturing/Production option of the JE-RDAP, then why would they need to fill the Cost Spreadsheet, if they plan to deliver Fixed Priced/Catalog-based systems? The Cost Spreadsheet asks for Labor Rates, but this would not be relevant for a Fixed Price delivery. In that case, what would the Cost Volume <u>contain?</u>	Attachment 1 has been updated to allow offerors to input fully burdened cost rates and fully burdened firm fixed. Fee is removed as this will be determined at task order level.
169	75	L.3	Cost/Price	The instructions indicate that the labor categories and rates are to be provided for the key corporate personnel identified in paragraph L.2.1.1.2. In developing our solution, we plan to apply a broad range of personnel to provide value to forthcoming task orders, more than could be provided in the Tech/Management volume. Does the Government intend to limit the pricing response to include only those key corporate personnel listed in Section I?	Yes; only include labor categories and rates provided as a response for the key corporate personnel identified in Section L.2.1.1.2.
170	75	L.3.1	Cost/Price	At the IDIQ level, it is unlikely there will be a significant number of "key" personnel. As Paragraph L.2.1.1.2 is currently written, this paragraph would mean that only key personnel at the IDIQ level are to be priced. Would the Government consider revising this paragraph to remove the word "key" to ensure a complete view of all labor/bid categories can be presented? If not, how should offerors show their complete ceiling pricing structure for all bid categories if offerors are asked to propose key management personnel only?	No. Pricing for personnel to be utilized for future Order requirements will be specified/addressed at the Order level. Solicitation has been amended to remove reference to ceiling rates.
171	75	L.3.2	Cost/Price	According to the page limitations in section L.4.1.3, the Cost Volume is not to exceed the 1 page Microsoft Excel Section J Attachment 1. How does the Government want an offeror to provide cost/price information on the key corporate personnel that were identified in <u>paragraph L.2.1.1.2?</u>	The cost price information should be provided by filling out Attachment 1. The labor categories/levels that are included in Attachment 1 should correlate to the key corporate personnel identified in Section L.2.1.1.2.
172	75	L.3.2	Cost/Price Evaluation	Are we to cost/price Labor rates for the anticipated 10 years of the effort? If so, how - <u>multiple pages of the pricing template?</u>	Attachment 1 - Cost Price Proposal Spreadsheet has been updated for offeror to input escalation % for out years.
173	75	L.3.2	Cost Price Key Personnel	Does the Government have specific labor categories or positions that it expects to be costed <u>as key personnel?</u>	No.
174	75	L.3.2	Cost Proposal Labor Rates for Key Corporate Personnel	If an Offeror possesses a current GSA Schedule, can labor categories/rates from that Schedule's Government-Approved Price List be utilized for the key corporate personnel, <u>instead of providing labor rates built-up using indirect percentages?</u>	No, but if have GSA approved schedule, please include in cost narrative

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175	75	L.3.2	Key Personnel	Is there a requirement to submit labor rates for non-key personnel?	No, please see responses to questions 36 and 110 above.
176	75	L.3.2	Attachment 1 -Labor Categories, Key Personnel and Pricing Spreadsheet	It is our understanding that, in accordance with RFP section L.3.2, each offeror's cost/price proposal will consist primarily of cost/price information for the key personnel that they propose. We further understand that each offeror may propose as many or as few key personnel in any labor categories they deem appropriate. Section M.2.1 of the RFP states that the Government intends to make awards to "the Offeror(s) whose proposal(s) represents the Best Value to the Government by applying the Lowest Price Technically Acceptable (LPTA) source selection process described in FAR 15.101-2. For the purposes of this solicitation, LPTA is considered to be the proposal(s) that are rated technically acceptable with cost/price evaluated to be both reasonable and realistic. This process does not allow for a trade-off between cost and noncost factors." FAR 15.101-2 specifies that "...award will be made on the basis of the lowest evaluated price of proposals meeting or exceeding acceptability standards for non-cost factors." As this type of award methodology requires the calculation of an evaluated price for each offeror, will the Government please clarify (1) how they will calculate the total evaluated prices upon which LPTA awards will be based and (2) how the Government will compare the offerors' proposed prices and determine which are lowest when each offeror may bid vastly different costs/prices in terms of numbers, types, qualifications, etc., of proposed key personnel?	(1) There will be not be a total evaluated price for the IDIQ contract, which is why a cost analysis is being performed as described in Section M instead of a price analysis. (2) The Government will not be making a comparison of the offerors proposal to other offerors proposals but to industry standards to make a determination of whether they are reasonable and realistic. Rates (direct, indirect, escalation) will be evaluated to industry standards (FPRA, FPRR, Billing Rates, Actuals) in order to determine if the rates are realistic and reasonable. ALL offerors whose proposals are deemed to be reasonable and realistic will be considered LPTA.
177	75	L.3.2	Cost/Price Evaluation	L.3.2 requires cost/price information for key corporate personnel identified in L.2.1.2 using the Attachment 1 spreadsheet to include labor categories, position level, hourly rates, and fully burdened rates. Selection H, paragraph H.6, indicates that contractor's key personnel will be identified at the RDAP task/delivery order level as applicable. If the Government's intent is to identify high-level corporate officers as key personnel (CEO, COO, CFO, VPs, Directors, etc.), then most personnel will be indirect to whom hourly rates and associated burdens do not apply. If it is the Government's intent to provide cost/price information for the contractor's key personnel for specific task/delivery order, then what are contractors required to identify in L.2.1.2 and Attachment 1?	The Government is asking for Labor Categories/Rates of Key Corporate Personnel that will be managing and overseeing the IDIQ Level. Identification of the Labor Categories to be proposed is left up to the Company. Please see response to question 36.
178	75	L.3.2	Cost/Price Evaluation	L.3.2 The offeror shall provide cost/price information on the key corporate personnel that were identified in paragraph L.2.1.1.2. The offeror shall complete the provided Microsoft Excel spreadsheet (Attachment 1), to include the labor categories, position level, hourly rates, and the fully burdened rates of the key corporate personnel identified. Are offerors required to identify key corporate personnel by " <u>name</u> " or will the labor categories, position level, hourly rates, and the fully burdened rates of the key corporate personnel be considered compliant for the IDIQ phase of JE-RDAP?	No, providing labor categories, position level, hourly rates, and the fully burdened rates of the key corporate personnel will be considered compliant.
179	75	L.3.2	Cost/Price Evaluation	Paragraph L.1.1.9 states that the offer should be valid for 360 calendar days from submission. What date should be used as the starting point for the rates in the Cost/Price Volume Excel spreadsheet – December 18, 2017 or a date in FY17 such as July 1, 2017?	Monday, January 08, 2018
180	75	L.3.2	Cost/Price Evaluation	Ref: L.3.2 The offeror shall provide cost/price information on the key corporate personnel that were identified in paragraph L.2.1.1.2. The offeror shall complete the provided Microsoft Excel spreadsheet (Attachment 1), to include the labor categories, position level, hourly rates, and the fully burdened rates of the key corporate personnel identified. Q. Given that L.2.1.1.2 refers only to key corporate personnel under the heading of Corporate Management (L.2.1), can you please clarify whether it's the government's intent for vendors to only provide labor rates associated with key corporate personnel that are responsible for Corporate Management or whether we should also provide labor rates of "corporate personnel" that while not corporate management, are those whom normally support task order(s) i.e., Program Manager, CBRNE Subject Matter Expert, Physicist, Test Manager, System Engineer?	Only provide labor rates associated with key corporate personnel responsible for the management of the contract at the IDIQ level (which have been identified in response to Section L.2.1.1.2). Key personnel to be identified in future RDAP Orders are not to be included - please see response to questions 36 and 110.

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181	75	L.3.2	Cost/Price Evaluation	<p>Ref: L.3.2 The offeror shall provide cost/price information on the key corporate personnel that were identified in paragraph L.2.1.1.2. The offeror shall complete the provided Microsoft Excel spreadsheet (Attachment 1), to include the labor categories, position level, hourly rates, and the fully burdened rates of the key corporate personnel identified.</p> <p>Given the instructions within Attachment 1 that states "if more rows are needed to identify all Key Personnel, copy and insert Row 24 as many times as needed to the bottom of the table", is it the government's intent that the proposal identify several labor categories that we would potentially propose in support of future task orders, i.e., Program Manager, CBRNE Subject Matter Expert, Physicist, Test Manager, System Engineer?</p>	No. Please see response to questions 36 and 110 above.
182	75	L.3.2	Volume II - Cost/Price	<p>Section L.3.2 directs offerors to provide cost/price information for all key corporate personnel identified in Volume I. Section M.2.2 states that the Government, "intends to make multiple awards of indefinite-delivery indefinite-quantity contracts to the Offeror(s) whose proposal(s) represents the Best Value to the Government by applying the Lowest Price Technically Acceptable (LPTA) source selection process described in FAR 15.101-2. For the purposes of this solicitation, LPTA is considered to be the proposal(s) that are rated technically acceptable with cost/price evaluated to be both reasonable and realistic."</p> <p>In many companies, corporate level personnel trend to be higher paid employees and are typically not directly charged to a contract. Identification of key personnel on a project tends to be limited to a few (often only one or two) individuals with prerequisite skills to ensure contract success; thus, corporate functional personnel (finance, legal, contracts, HR, etc.) are not traditionally listed as "key" personnel.</p> <p>Is it the Government's intent for offerors to "build and price out" a "Key Corporate Program Management Office" for the purposes of this solicitation? Identifying large numbers of people as key also increases cost/price and given that this is a Best Value (LPTA) evaluated solicitation, it would be in an offeror's interest to keep cost/price low in order to receive an IDIQ award. If an offeror only identifies one or two "Key Corporate" personnel at the IDIQ level, will this be considered non-compliant? Please clarify the Government's intent here for identifying and pricing Key Personnel?</p>	Please see the response to questions 37, 110 and 116 above.
183	75	L.3.2	Cost/Price Evaluation	<p>The Government is requesting pricing for corporate key personnel, however typically, these personnel (such as the PM, Business Group Director, etc.) are an OH charge to the effort. Can the Government confirm whether all corporate key personnel should be priced, or only those which are direct labor for this effort?</p>	Key corporate personnel referred to in Section L.2.1 are to be identified at the IDIQ level, as specified. These are the personnel that will be responsible for managing the JE-RDAP contracts at the IDIQ level. It is envisioned that the key corporate personnel positions will have little-to-no change over the duration of the IDIQ, while specific Orders may have different key personnel depending on the nature of the Order requirements.
184	75	L.3.2	Cost/Price	<p>The instructions for "Volume II – Cost/Price" in Section L.3.2 do not specify the minimum number of key corporate personnel which must be identified. Can the government confirm if there is a minimum number of key corporate personnel that must be identified? Can the government provide the definition for key corporate personnel which they are applying, if there is one?</p>	A minimum number has not been identified. Attachment 1 should correlate to the key corporate personnel identified in response to Section L.2.1.1.2. Please see responses to questions 36 and 110 above.
185	75	L.3.2	Key Corporate Personnel	<p>The solicitation uses the term "Key Corporate Personnel", however in previous contracts the company has been required to identify "Key Personnel" such as Program Managers, Principle Investigators, Sr. Scientists, etc. Please define/clarify "Key Corporate Personnel".</p>	Please see responses to questions 36 and 110 above.
186	75	L.3.2	Key Personnel	<p>This section states that vendors are to provide labor rates with buildup for "the key corporate personnel that were identified in paragraph L.2.1.1.2." However, Section H.6.1 on page 26 states that contractor's key personnel are "to be identified at the RDAP task/delivery order level as applicable. Please clarify the definition of "key corporate personnel" (L.2.1.1.2, L.3.2) vs. "contractor's key personnel," to ensure that each vendor will price a similar group of key personnel.</p>	Please see responses to questions 36 and 110 above.

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187	75	L.3.2	Cost/Price Evaluation	What does "Level" mean in this spreadsheet (Column C), and "Labor Category" and "Position Level" in the Solicitation/Amendment, given that as a Small Business, Key Corporate Personnel at the JE-RDAP IDIQ level may be the President/CEO, or Director of Business Development, or a Director of HR, or Program Manager?	Please see responses to questions 36, 72 and 110 above.
188	75	L.3.2	Key Personnel	Will the Government allow Prime Contractors to add additional Non-Key Labor Categories/Rates throughout the life of the contact?	Yes, please see responses to questions 36 and 110 above.
189	75	L.3.2	Key Corporate Personnel	Vendor key corporate personnel do not typically charge to the Government since the roles and responsibilities are burdened across multiple efforts and internal organizational responsibilities. Will the Government please clarify if the "key corporate personnel" required are restricted to IDIQ Management? Is it the Government's intent for vendors to provide a dedicated IDIQ management team that will charge directly to the contract at the Task Order level?	Key corporate personnel referred to in Section L.2.1 are to be identified at the IDIQ level, as specified. These are the personnel that will be responsible for managing the JE-RDAP contracts at the IDIQ level. It is envisioned that the key corporate personnel positions will have little-to-no change over the duration of the IDIQ, while specific Orders may have different key personnel depending on the nature of the Order requirements.
190	75	L.4.1.2	Proposal File Format	A table of contents shall be provided for Volume I, but will not be included in the page count. Will cover page, cross reference matrix, and divider pages be excluded in the page count?	Per Section L.4.1.4: Exceptions to the page limitations are: cover pages, tables of contents, acronym listing, cross reference matrix and divider pages.
191	75	L.4.1.2	Proposal Format	Are figures allowed, and if so, does the Calibri font type and minimum size (8) apply to the text within the figures?	Yes and Yes
192	75	L.4.1.2	Proposal Format	Can we include a Cover Page for each Volume (other than the Cost/Price volume)? If so, are Cover pages excluded from the Page count, and does the Calibri font type and minimum font size (12) apply to the cover page.	As specified in L.4.1.4, cover pages are excluded from page count limitations. The font type and size should be consistent with the remainder of the volume.
193	75	L.4.1.2	Proposal Format	Does the Calibri font type and minimum size (12) apply to text in the headers and footers?	Yes.
194	75	L.4.1.2	Proposal File Format	Instructions for electronic file format for Volume I and Volume II are given, however no instructions for file format for Volume III is given in this section. Please confirm the Government intends Offerors to submit Volume III as identical versions with one copy of Microsoft Word and one in PDF.	The RFP has been amended to require submission of PDF only for Volume III.
195	75	L.4.1.2	Proposal File Format	Is it acceptable for offeror to submit Volume III – Administrative in pdf format only?	The RFP has been amended to require submission of PDF only for Volume III.
196	75	L.4.1.2	Proposal File Format	L.4.1.2 states that the proposal shall use page parameters that include 12-point Calibri font, 1 inch margins, portrait orientation, .5" margins. Please confirm that Attachment 1, Cost Price Proposal, and Sections II through VIII of Volume III do not need to conform to this format	That is correct.
197	75	L.4.1.2	Proposal Structure	May we include title pages, lists of figures, and acronym lists exclusive of page count for Volumes I and III	Yes, per Section L.4.1.4: Exceptions to the page limitations are: cover pages, tables of contents, acronym listing, cross reference matrix and divider pages.
198	75	L.4.1.2	Proposal File Format	Please confirm that a cover sheet for each volume will not count against the page limitation for that volume.	That is correct.
199	75	L.4.1.2	Proposal File Format	Regarding Section L.4.1.2 ("...Proposals shall contain a table of contents..." and "...A table of contents shall be provided for Volume I...") Can the Government please provide further information on where in the proposal offerors are to include Tables of Contents?	The table of contents should be placed at the beginning of the Volume I Technical/Management Proposal
200	75	L.4.1.2	Proposal Format	Submission Instructions state "Proposals shall contain a table of contents. Shall a Table of contents be provided in each Volume (other than Cost/Price volume), and is the Table of Contents page excluded from the page count?"	A Table of Contents is required for Volume I only and is excluded from the page count.
201	75	L.4.1.2	Proposal Structure	Will the Government please provide solicitation documents in MS Word format since we are to include sections in the Volume III Word doc	No, Volume III submission requirements have been updated to PDF only.
202	75	L.4.1.2	Proposal Structure	Would the Government like us to include a Table of Contents exclusive of page count for Volume III, as we are requested to for Volume I? L.4.1.2 Proposal File Format makes no reference to Volume III.	No, a table of contents is not required for Volume III as a matrix is required under section I
203	75	L.4.1.2	Proposal File Format	Can the offeror also include a table of contents for Volume III, that will not be included in the page count?	No, a table of contents is not required for Volume III as a matrix is required under section I
204	75	L.4.1.2	Proposal File Format	RFP states: Pages shall be single-spaced and each paragraph shall be separated by at least one blank line. This offeror assumes that "paragraph" refers to a paragraph of text and not section/paragraph headers. Is this assumption correct? If not, please clarify what content has to be separated by a blank line.	That is correct.

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205	75	L.4.1.2/ L.5.1.1	Proposal Structure/ Master Index	Is it the Government's intent to include the Master Index chart as part of the page limitation for the Executive Summary? Will the Government please consider allowing vendors to include the Master Index as a reference tool similar to the table of contents and similarly "not be included in the page count" ?	No, the master index chart does not need to be included in the page count.
206	75	L.4.1.3	Proposal Page limit for Cost Price volume is 1 page	If the rates for the out years are to be provided along with the method/assumptions to obtain these rates, it will likely take more than 1 page. Please increase this limit.	Attachment 1 - Cost Price Proposal Spreadsheet has been updated for offeror to input escalation % for out years.
207	75	L.4.1.3	Proposal Volumes	Section L.4.1.3 limits Volume II: Cost/Price to 1 page and states that the submission requirements is "One copy of Microsoft Excel Section J Attachment 1". Can the Government clarify if a '1 page' cost narrative is required as part of the proposal submission?	A narrative is not required as part of the Volume II response, however, should the offeror choose to provide a narrative there is a 2 page limit for the information
208	75	L.4.1.3	Proposal Volumes	Section L.4.1.3 provides page limitations for each of these sections. However, on page 77 it is stated that Subcontracting Plans and OCI Mitigation Plans are not applicable at the IDIQ contract level. Also it is stated on page 77 that Teaming Agreements are not required or encouraged at the IDIQ contract level. Therefore, can responses to Section V, VI, and VIII be omitted in the IDIQ Proposal response for Volume III - Administrative?	Subcontracting Plans, OCI and Teaming Agreements are not required at the IDIQ level, therefore Offerors are not required to submit with the IDIQ Proposal. RFP has been updated accordingly
209	75	L.4.1.3	Section III - DCMA and DCAA POC;s, CAGE, DUNS and TIN, and Prime's Financial Documents	Since this section is requesting subcontractor data; does that mean the offeror's approach can include experience and best practices of our existing subcontractors as well? How do we address subcontracting arrangements with company's that currently do not have DCMA/DCAA POCs at the time of proposal submission?	The offeror's approach can include experience and best practices of subcontractors, only if the offeror is proposing with the subcontractor(s) included as part of their team.
210	75	L.4.1.3	Proposal Volumes	The table in L.4.1.3 lists the Subcontracting Plan and OCI Mitigation Plan as being required as part of Volume III of the response, however Mod 2 of the solicitation indicated that Section V: Subcontracting Plan and Section VI – OCI Mitigation Plan were not applicable to the IDIQ level. Please provide guidance as to whether these documents are required to satisfy the requirements as listed in the table?	Subcontracting Plans, OCI and Teaming Agreements are not required at the IDIQ level, therefore Offerors are not required to submit with the IDIQ Proposal. RFP has been updated accordingly
211	75	L.4.1.3	Volume III Submission Requirements	The table in this section specifies that Volume III is to be submitted in both Microsoft Word and PDF formats. However, many of the elements to be submitted will exist primarily in PDF format (e.g., signed solicitation documents, SAM Entity Overview, etc.). While these can be included in a Microsoft Word file, doing so may generate very large file sizes. Would the Government consider allowing submission of Volume III in text-readable PDF format only, or allowing scanned PDF documents to be left out of the Microsoft Word version?	The RFP has been amended to require submission of PDF only for Volume III.
212	75	L.4.1.3	L.4.1.3 Proposal Volume Submission Requirements	The Table specifies that offerors shall submit one copy in Microsoft Word and one copy in PDF of Volume III: Administrative. However, this Volume requires solicitation, financial, and other signed documents which must be submitted either in a PDF format or as images inserted into a Microsoft Word Document. A single MS Word copy of Volume III may therefore exceed the 9MB limit of submissions. Offeror respectfully requests to submit a Microsoft Word copy of Section I - Executive Summary ONLY and a PDF copy of the complete Volume III, to include all Sections.	The RFP has been amended to require submission of PDF only for Volume III.
213	75	L.4.1.3	Proposal Volumes	This section outlines what the Contractor's Proposal must contain in Volume I - III and provides number of copies needed. However, Section L.5.5 Section V, L.5.6 Section VI, and L.5.8 Section VIII state Subcontracting Plan, OCI, and Teaming Agreements (items listed in Volume III) are not required at the IDIQ level. Does the government require Subcontracting Plan, OCI, and Teaming Agreements within the initial offer?	No, the Government does not require Subcontracting Plan, OCI or Teaming Agreements within the IDIQ proposal.
214	75	L.4.1.3	L.4.1.3 Proposal Volumes	Volume II: Cost/Price consists of 1 page total and required to be a copy of Microsoft Excel Section J Attachment 1. How/Where are Offeror's to address the instructions in Row 28 of Attachment 1? Will the Government permit Offeror's to provide a Volume II narrative to address this?	The solicitation will be updated to allow for no more than a 2 page narrative to accompany the spreadsheet.
215	75	L.4.1.3	Volume III - Section V - Subcontracting Plan and Attachment 5 Small Business Subcontracting Plan	L.4.1.3 Proposal Volumes indicates that the Cost Volume will be "1 page total" and further the one page is the "Microsoft Excel, Section J, Attachment 1". Does that mean that a Cost Volume cover page and the spreadsheet comprise the total Cost Volume and no other explanation regarding the basis or application of labor rates is required?	That is correct, however if the offeror chooses to provide a narrative, there is a 2 page limit for the narrative itself. RFP has been updated accordingly.

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216	75	L.4.1.3	Volume III - Section V - Subcontracting Plan and Attachment 5 Small Business Subcontracting Plan	Paragraph L.4.1.3 is requesting a Subcontracting Plan. However, Section J indicates a Subcontracting Plan (as required) is only applicable at the Task/Delivery Order Level. Does the Government intend for the Offeror to submit a subcontracting plan with our proposal at the IDIQ level as well? Please clarify?	The Government does not intend for Offerors to submit a subcontracting plan at the IDIQ level. RFP has been updated to clarify this.
217	75	L.4.1.3	Proposal Volumes	Will the Government confirm that the only pricing requirement is the Pricing Worksheet (1 page limit)?	That is correct.
218	75	L.4.1.4	Proposal Volumes	Regarding Section L.4.1.4 "...Exceptions to the page limitations are: cover pages, tables of contents, acronym listing, cross reference matrix...", Section L.4.1.2 ("...Proposals shall contain a table of contents..." and "...A table of contents shall be provided for Volume I...") and Section L.5.1.1 ("Master Index") Does the Government also desire a Cross Reference Matrix in addition to the Tables of Content and the Master Index?	The Government does not require a cross reference index, however, if the Offeror would like to include one it will not be counted in the page limitations for the volume in which it is provided.
219	75	L.4.3/L.5.6	L.5.6 Section VI- Organizational Conflict of Interest Mitigation Plan.	Can the Government confirm Offerors are not required to submit an OCI Plan at the time of proposal submission for the IDIQ contract? If so, can the Government remove the OCI reference from both the L.4.3 (table) and L.5.6 requirement?	The Government does not intend for Offerors to submit a subcontracting plan at the IDIQ level. RFP Section L.5.6 has been updated accordingly.
220	75	L3	L.3 VOLUME II - COST/PRICE	If the offeror does not bid a labor category at the IDIQ level, will that preclude adding the labor cat for a DO/TO bid later on, if that labor cat is required? Would the Government consider providing a list of pre-defined Labor Categories so all offerors will be pricing the same positions?	No. No. Please also see response to questions 36 and 110 above.
221	75	L3	L.3 VOLUME II - COST/PRICE	Pricing - should the offeror provide onsite (Government facility) or offsite (contractor provided) rates?	Contractor site.
222	75	L3.2	Cost Template	The Solicitation specifies that the Government contemplates award of a combination of various Fixed Priced and various Cost type contracts. By their very nature, each contract type would have a different fee with the only restriction being a maximum of 15% for a cost plus fixed fee contract (IAW FAR 15.404-4(40(i)(A)) so for purposes of this IDIQ solicitation, what fee should be included in the Cost Price Proposal Template, or are separate templates required for a fixed and cost type contract?	Attachment 1 has been updated to allow offerors to input fully burdened cost rates and fully burdened firm fixed. Fee is removed as this will be determined at task order level.
223	76	L.4.1.3	Volume III Section VII Title	The table in this section specifies that Volume III, Section VII should be titled "Representations & Certifications," while Section L.5.7 specifies that Section VII should be titled "System for Award Management (SAM)." Which title is correct for Section VII of Volume III?	Section L.5.7 is correct. The table at L.4.1.3 will be updated accordingly.
224	76	L.4.1.4	Acronym Listing	Where should the acronym listing be placed?	Offeror's who wish to provide an acronym listing with their proposal should include this as part of Volume I and should not include as part of the page limitation.
225	76	L.5	Administrative Volume	Is the Master TOC considered to be Master Index for all proposal contents? A Master Index could be several pages long. Is that Master TOC included in the 5-page limit in the Executive Summary?	The master index does not need to be included in the page count for the Executive Summary.
226	76	L.5	Subsections L.5.5, L.5.6, and L.5.8	Our interpretation of the revised language in these sections is that the submittal of a Subcontracting Plan (L.5.5), Organizational Conflict of Interest Mitigation Plan (L.5.6), and Teaming Agreements (L.5.8) are not required to be submitted with the Offerors' IDIQ proposal in response to this solicitation. Is this correct? If this is correct, what does the Government intend for offerors to provide in these sections?	Documentation for these sections is not required for an offeror to submit a proposal at the IDIQ level, therefore the Government does not expect documentation to be provided. The exception would be if the Offeror has entered into any teaming agreements specifically for JE-RDAP program, the Government requests those be provided with the IDIQ proposal.
227	76	L.5.1	Section I – Executive Summary	The instructions in Section L. paragraph L.5.1-Executive Summary: states a letter shall include items listed in paragraphs L.5.1.1 through L.5.1.5. Is our response to be limited to addressing the information requested in paragraphs L.5.1.1 through L.5.1.5?	Yes
228	76	L.5.1	L.5.1 Section I – Executive Summary: A letter shall include:	Will the Government allow offerors to provide a 1-page Executive Summary narrative about their company in Volume 1 to be evaluated/rated to help demonstrate a company's core capabilities?	No, the executive summary shall be provided as part of the Volume III - Administrative volume as detailed in the RFP.
229	76	L.5.1.1	Section I - Executive Summary	Regarding Section L.4.1.2 ("...Proposals shall contain a table of contents..." and "...A table of contents shall be provided for Volume I...") and Section L.5.1.1 ("Master Index") Please confirm in addition to the Tables of Contents offerors are to also provide a Master Index?	The master index should be included in the Volume III Administrative Section I Executive Summary and may be excluded from the page count for the volume

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230	76	L.5.1.1	L.5.1.1 Master Index	The master index required by L.5.1.1 is contained in Section I – Executive Summary which has a 5 page limit. Please exclude the master index from the page count for this section. The master index is required to identify the location of all major topics provided in each volume and this may take several pages.	The master index may be excluded from the page count for Section I - Executive Summary
231	76	L.5.1.4	Security Clearance	3rd line of this paragraph states; "All offeror personnel must possess a minimum of a SECRET clearance IAW the DD254 at time of proposal Submission" Line# 6 states "This does not Apply to Personnel" Can company submit a proposal under this solicitation W911QY-17-R-0010 for a JE-RDAP IDIQ contract if our personnel do NOT have SECRET clearance?	Yes, if these personnel are provided in response to Section L.2.1.1.2 - key corporate personnel identified to manage the contract at the IDIQ level. Please also see response to question 36 above.
232	76	L.5.1.4	Security Clearance	Can the government confirm that it is not essential to have security clearance this solicitation and receive an award but understanding that it may be required for some IDIQ task orders?	Yes, that is correct. RFP has been updated accordingly
233	76	L.5.1.4	Security Clearance	Does this requirement flow down to any key personnel that would be a subcontractor?	Yes, RFP has been updated accordingly
234	76	L.5.1.4	Security Clearance	Each Offeror shall provide, if applicable, disclosure of the level of its Facility Security Clearance (personnel and facility) and its cognizant DSS office (address, name, phone, e-mail). All offeror personnel must possess a minimum of SECRET clearance IAW the DD254 at time of proposal submission. The Government will assist offerors to apply for a Facility clearance on the offsite location post award for those offerors who do not currently have a SECRET facility clearance on their offsite location. This does not apply to personnel. Requiring all personnel to have SECRET clearances is a very unusual requirement without being tied to a specific requirement or task order thus eliminating many small and non-traditional companies with innovative new technology for being Primes. We request the government remove this requirement for the IDIQ contract.	The Government is not removing the requirement. The RFP has been updated accordingly.
235	76	L.5.1.4	Security Clearance	For a small business, do any of the industry personnel referenced in the application to this solicitation (W911QY-17-R-0010-0002) require a security clearance?	No, it applies only to those RDAP task/delivery orders that have a requirement for clearances and clearances will apply only to those individuals who require access the to classified or secret data.
236	76	L.5.1.4	Security Clearance	If so, is there a recommended government employee or contact that could assist a small business to fulfill any security requirements ?	The Government will assist Offeror's with DD254 submission as necessary.
237	76	L.5.1.4	Security clearance	In the event an individual does not have the appropriate security clearance, would the Government sponsor the application of that security clearance if appropriate.	The Government will assist Offeror's with DD254 submission as necessary.
238	76	L.5.1.4	Security clearance	In the event an organization does not have the appropriate security clearance, would the Government sponsor the application of that security clearance if appropriate.	The Government will assist Offeror's with DD254 submission as necessary.
239	76	L.5.1.4	Security Clearance	Is it correct that all offeror key personnel are required to have active security clearances at the task order phase of this solicitation?	No, it applies only to those RDAP task/delivery orders that have a requirement for clearances and clearances will apply only to those individuals who require access the to classified or secret data.
240	76	L.5.1.4	Security Clearance	Is it correct that all offeror personnel are required to have active security clearances, cleared to US Secret, at the task order phase for future proposal submissions? This response drives how a legal entity (offeror) with multiple business locations, operating under different CAGE codes, selects a single location to serve as a prime.	No, it applies only to those RDAP task/delivery orders that have a requirement for clearances and clearances will apply only to those individuals who require access the to classified or secret data.
241	76	L.5.1.4	Security Clearance	L.5.1.4the last sentence states "This does not apply to personnel." Please clarify what/who the word "this" refers to, i.e. does it refer to the assistance or to the requirement for clearance?	This sentence refers to facility clearance for offsite locations.

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242	76	L.5.1.4	Security Clearance	Our company, please see the contact information below, recently applied for a site clearance and personnel clearance that was dependent on the receipt of an award. We did not win the award, so the applications were not completed. In response to this solicitation, W911QY-17-R-0010, section L.5.1.4, do we need to "reactivate" our application? If so, do you know someone who could assist us with the process?	A new application will need to be submitted. Please see responses above for additional guidance on when this would be required. The Government will assist offeror's with completing the DD254 if needed.
243	76	L.5.1.4	Security Clearance	Our personnel do not currently have a secret clearance – is this a strict requirement already at this stage?	No, it applies only to those RDAP task/delivery orders that have a requirement for clearances and clearances will apply only to those individuals who require access the to classified or secret data.
244	76	L.5.1.4	Security Clearance	Paragraph L.5.1.4 states "All offeror personnel must possess a minimum of SECRET clearance IAW the DD254 at time of proposal submission." Does this requirement apply to JE-RDAP at the IDIQ level and the key personnel listed in L.2.1.1.2? This requirement has not been published in previous Draft versions.	Amendment 0002 of the solicitation provided updated language to clarify that the security clearance requirement is at the RDAP task/delivery order level and is only required if specified in the individual RDAP task/delivery order requirements. RFP has been amended again to further clarify based on industry questions
245	76	L.5.1.4	Security clearance	The requirement for all offeror personnel to have a minimum of SECRET clearance IAW the DD254 will restrict organizations with staff involved in the proposal without security clearance from proposing. Can organizations / personnel without security clearance submit a response to enable the Government to review the contribution such organization may be able to make to the overall CBRN requirement	Amendment 0002 of the solicitation provided updated language to clarify that the security clearance requirement is at the RDAP task/delivery order level and is only required if specified in the individual RDAP task/delivery order requirements. RFP has been amended again to further clarify based on industry questions
246	76	L.5.1.4	Security Clearance	The Solicitation mandates that All offeror personnel must possess a minimum of SECRET clearance IAW the DD254 at the time of proposal submission. This is a critical restriction for SMEs who, like my company, have been involved with US Government agency contracts previously (including those agencies who will benefit from IDIQ outcomes) for similar technology/product aims as envisaged by the Solicitation but who have never been required to obtain US security clearance. This is even more applicable to non-US companies who will simply not be able to have such clearances in place by December 21st IAW DD254. Could the Contract Specialists please consider whether this personnel Security obligation is either reasonable or necessary for the proposal submission (or even post award) and judge on an issued task by task basis arising from any resultant IDIQ program instead please.	Amendment 0002 of the solicitation provided updated language to clarify that the security clearance requirement is at the RDAP task/delivery order level and is only required if specified in the individual RDAP task/delivery order requirements. RFP has been amended again to further clarify based on industry questions
247	76	L.5.1.4	Security Clearance	The statement "All offeror personnel must possess a minimum of SECRET clearance IAW the DD254 at time of proposal submission" is unnecessarily broad (e.g. ALL personnel) and appears to exclude any company without cleared personnel that otherwise would be able to bid on delivery orders that are not classified. Section H.16 indicates that there are RDAP delivery orders that are not classified. Would the Government consider removing the referenced statement, or amend it to allow companies without cleared personnel to be RDAP contract holders?	Amendment 0002 of the solicitation provided updated language to clarify that the security clearance requirement is at the RDAP task/delivery order level and is only required if specified in the individual RDAP task/delivery order requirements. RFP has been amended again to further clarify based on industry questions
248	76	L.5.1.4	Security Clearance	This section appears to imply DD254 in existence for the contract prior to the award of a task order. Will the contract be awarded with a DD254 and not just as required for individual task orders?	No, it applies only to those RDAP task/delivery orders that have a requirement for clearances and clearances will apply only to those individuals who require access the to classified or secret data. RFP has been amended to clarify
249	76	L.5.1.4	Security Clearance	Will ALL personnel be required to have a minimum SECRET clearance at time of task order submission if clearances are required, OR will the requirement only apply to personnel requiring access to SECRET data IAW the DD254 for a specific program at time of proposal submission?	No, it applies only to those RDAP task/delivery orders that have a requirement for clearances and clearances will apply only to those individuals who require access the to classified or secret data. RFP has been amended to clarify
250	76	L.5.2.2	Contract Administration Data and G.3	Is the required information provided by the contractor the same as outlined in G.3 Contractor's Contract Administration?	Yes
251	76	L.5.7	Section VII - System for Award Management (SAM)	The Table in L.4.1.3 lists Section VII as Representations & Certifications, while L.5.7 states that Section VII is the SAM certification requirement. Which is correct?	Section L.5.7 is correct. The table at L.4.1.3 will be updated accordingly.
252	76	L4, L4.1.3,	L4 Instructions to offerors.	With the published amendment 2, will the government consider removing those sections (L.5.5, L.5.6, L.5.8 and the corresponding sections in Table L.4.1.3) at the IDIQ level and incorporating back at the TO/DO level where they are more appropriate? Currently the info in Table L4.1.3 Volume III still require those items specifically identified as not being required in sections L.5.5, L.5.6, and L.5.8.	The referenced sections need to be included in the IDIQ RFP to inform all Offeror's of what may be required at the RDAP task/delivery order requirement level and to all the Government to require them at the RDAP task/delivery order level.

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253	77	L.5.3	Section III - DCMA and DCAA POCs, CAGE, DUNS and TIN	Section III relates to the company's financials: "Additionally, in order for the Government to determine Financial Responsibility, offerors will submit the company's past fiscal year and current reporting period as of the date of the proposal financial statements to include a Balance Sheet; Income Statement; Cash Flow Statement; Statement of Retained Earnings. Also, a certified copy of the Prime's Line of Credit and its current status at the time of proposal submission Which thresholds or other determinations will the government use to determine "financial responsibility"? Can the Government Elaborate on this statement as many of these documents are not readily available to ensure contractors will be allowed flexibility to	RFP has been amended to remove the requirement to provide financial information.
254	77	L.5.2.1	Solicitation Documents	May we acknowledge amendments in the solicitation SF 30 block 14 rather than provide signed copies of all mods?	Vendors may sign the SF33 form of the final conformed version of the solicitation to acknowledge amendments
255	77	L.5.2.3	Provisions/Clauses	Precisely what pages of the Solicitation constitute "Provisions/Clauses" that are to be included in Volume III?	Provisions/Clauses are located through out the entire solicitation and are marked as such within each section.
256	77	L.5.2.3	Paragraph 3 Provisions/Clauses.	The Draft RFP Q&A suggested that the Subcontracting Plan does not have to be approved prior to IDIQ award and will not be required until the RDAP task/delivery order level. The clause here states, "Other Than Small Business offerors competing in the Full and Open Domains shall submit a Subcontracting Plan in accordance with FAR Clause 52.219-9 and DFARS Clause 252.219-7003 (for reference see FAR 19.704 and DFARS 219-704)." Is a Subcontracting Plan required to be submitted as part of the proposal response, and if so, how should the dollar and percentage goals be expressed for the prime contract level?	No, a Subcontracting Plan is not required as part of the IDIQ response.
257	77	L.5.3	Section III –DCMA and DCAA POCs,	Additionally, in order for the Government to determine Financial Responsibility, offerors will submit the company's past fiscal year and current reporting period as of the date of the proposal financial statements to include a Balance Sheet; Income Statement; Cash Flow Statement; Statement of Retained Earnings. Also, a certified copy of the Prime's Line of Credit and its current status at the time of proposal submission. Prior to submission, a company officer or CPA will certify the statements. Small businesses are not required to submit CPA audited or reviewed financials, but shall have their CFO sign off on their financials. Can the referenced financial information, or the overall proposal generally, be marked as	RFP has been amended to remove the requirement to provide financial information.
258	77	L.5.3	Section III - DCMA and DCAA POCs, CAGE, DUNS and TIN	Because subcontractor teaming arrangements are no longer required at the IDIQ level per Amendment 2, will the government consider removing the requirements for subcontractor information from this section?	RFP has been amended to remove all references to subcontractor requirements.
259	77	L.5.3	Section III Sign off on small business financials	Can a small business have its Contracts Manager or the President/CEO sign off on their financials instead of the CFO?	RFP has been amended to remove the requirement to provide financial information.
260	77	L.5.3	Section III - DCMA and DCAA POCs, CAGE, DUNS and TIN	Concerning clause L.5.3 Section III which relates to the company's financials. "Additionally, in order for the Government to determine Financial Responsibility, offerors will submit the company's past fiscal year and current reporting period as of the date of the proposal financial statements to include a Balance Sheet; Income Statement; Cash Flow Statement; Statement of Retained Earnings. Also, a certified copy of the Prime's Line of Credit and its current status at the time of proposal submission." We kindly request this requirement be removed as many of the documents requested are not readily available to a small business and are not formally certified nor are they specifically aligned with any DoD requirements which are not stipulated in the RFP.	RFP has been amended to remove the requirement to provide financial information.
261	77	L.5.3	Section III - DCMA and DCAA POCs, CAGE, DUNS and TIN	Current requirement is for offeror to submit the company's current reporting period financial information "as of the date of the proposal" which is currently Dec 22nd. Given that the compilation of this information typically occurs at month's end (when everything is billed and reconciled) can we please provide financials through Nov 31st please rather than "as of" Dec 22nd?	RFP has been amended to remove the requirement to provide financial information.
262	77	L.5.3	DCMA and DCAA POCs, CAGE, DUNS and TIN for Prime and subcontractors and Prime's financial statements.	How does the offeror address subcontractor teaming agreements with small business that may not yet have approved or DCMA/DCAA POC information?	RFP has been amended to remove all references to subcontractor requirements.

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263	77	L.5.3	Section III - DCMA and DCAA POCs, CAGE, DUNS and TIN	If the contractor is teaming with or represents a foreign company as a distributor of their products in the United States, does the subcontractor still require a DUNS and TIN at the time of contract award?	No, only the Prime contractor to whom the IDIQ award is being contemplated.
264	77	L.5.3	Section III - DCMA and DCAA POCs, CAGE, DUNS and TIN	L.5.3 Section III requests DCMA and DCAA POCs, CAGE, DUNS and TIN for Prime and subcontractors and Prime's financial statements. Please confirm that only the prime contractor must provide financial statements (e.g., company's past fiscal year and current reporting period; a Balance Sheet; Income Statement; Cash Flow Statement; Statement of Retained Earnings). If subcontractors are required to provide this information, please provide instructions for subcontractors to directly supply this information to the Government.	RFP has been amended to remove all references to subcontractor and financial information requirements.
265	77	L.5.3	Section III - DCMA and DCAA POCs, CAGE, DUNS and TIN	Paragraph requests a certified copy of the Prime's Line of Credit and its current status at the time of proposal submission. Would the name and contact information of the banking officer satisfy this requirement? The Prime would give authorization to the banking officer to disclose the required information to the Government.	RFP has been amended to remove the requirement to provide financial information.
266	77	L.5.3	Section III - DCMA and DCAA POCs, CAGE, DUNS and TIN	Paragraph requests copies of company's past fiscal year and current reporting period (as of date of the proposal) financial statements. If Fiscal Year 2016 financial statements are currently in the audit process, would Fiscal Years 2015 and 2014 financial statements be acceptable?	RFP has been amended to remove the requirement to provide financial information.
267	77	L.5.3	Section III - DCMA and DCAA POCs, CAGE, DUNS and TIN	Ref: L.5.3, Section III. "Additionally, in order for the Government to determine Financial Responsibility, offerors will submit the company's past fiscal year and current reporting period as of the date of the proposal financial statements to include a Balance Sheet; Income Statement; Cash Flow Statement; Statement of Retained Earnings." Q: Is it acceptable for the "current reporting period" to be through the 3Q of 2016?	RFP has been amended to remove the requirement to provide financial information.
268	77	L.5.4	Section IV – Information Other than Certified Cost and Pricing Data.	Can the government please indicate what, if anything is required for direct labor rates, as "prices at which the same item or similar items have previously been sold to the Government and/or commercially provided" does not seem to be applicable to labor category direct labor rates?	RFP has been updated to indicate this information is not required for or applicable at the IDIQ contract level and does not have to be included in offeror's proposal
269	77	L.5.4	Section IV - Information Other than Certified Cost and Pricing Data	For companies without Advanced Agreements or FPRAs, will DCAA provisional rate agreements and their bases suffice for this section?	RFP has been updated to indicate this information is not required for or applicable at the IDIQ contract level and does not have to be included in offeror's proposal
270	77	L.5.4	Section IV - Information Other than Certified Cost and Pricing Data	L.5.4. Section IV states that "this section shall include information on the prices at which the same or similar items have previously been sold to the Government and/or commercially provided IAW FAR 15.403(a)(1). Information shall include cost or pricing data supporting Advance Agreements and Forward Pricing Rate Agreements (FPRA) between the offeror and the Government that are part of the proposal." Is this satisfied by providing our FPRA? If not what additional information is required?	RFP has been updated to indicate this information is not required for or applicable at the IDIQ contract level and does not have to be included in offeror's proposal
271	77	L.5.4	Section IV – Information Other than Certified Cost and Pricing Data	Paragraph requests information on the prices at which the same item or similar items have previously been sold to the government. Please define "sale item or similar item" for the purpose of this proposal.	RFP has been updated to indicate this information is not required for or applicable at the IDIQ contract level and does not have to be included in offeror's proposal
272	77	L.5.4	Section IV – Information Other than Certified Cost and Pricing Data.	Please confirm that Provisional Billing Rates can be used in lieu of Forward Pricing Rate Agreements (FPRA) by Offerors who do not participate in FPRA. If so, should Offerors provide DCAA-approved Provisional Billing Rates for the current reporting period (i.e., calendar year 2016) and/or Rates Offerors intend to submit for the forthcoming reporting period (i.e. calendar year 2017)?	RFP has been updated to indicate this information is not required for or applicable at the IDIQ contract level and does not have to be included in offeror's proposal
273	77	L.5.4	Section IV – Information Other than Certified Cost and Pricing Data	The pricing we are providing per the solicitation is for corporate HQ key persons only...who are never direct billable to clients, so we have no prior government bill rate for these persons to provide you. Moreover as a small business we have no Advance Agreements and Forward Pricing Rate Agreements (FPRA) with the government. Can you give us another way to satisfy this Section please or can it be waived for the IDIQ proposal and provided at the Task Order level?	RFP has been updated to indicate this information is not required for or applicable at the IDIQ contract level and does not have to be included in offeror's proposal
274	77	L.5.4	Section IV - Information Other than Certified Cost and Pricing Data	Will the Government accept an Offeror's Forward Pricing Rate (FPR) Proposal that was submitted to DCAA?	RFP has been updated to indicate this information is not required for or applicable at the IDIQ contract level and does not have to be included in offeror's proposal

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275	77	L.5.5	Section V – Subcontracting Plan	Amendment 0002 clarified the requirement to submit a Subcontracting Plan at the RDAP task/delivery order level and not at the IDIQ contract level. However, the Section V - Subcontracting Plan was not removed from Section L.4.1.3 providing guidance on the content of the Administrative Volume III. Please confirm there is no requirement to submit a Subcontracting Plan with Offeror's proposals.	There is no requirement to submit a subcontracting plan at the IDIQ contract level.
276	77	L.5.5	Section V – Subcontracting Plan	Amendment 2 changed this paragraph and there seems to be a conflict. The first sentence in this paragraph states: "Subcontracting Plans are not applicable at the IDIQ contract level.". Then a subsequent sentence states: "Other Than Small Business offerors shall submit a Subcontracting Plan in accordance with FAR Clause 52.219-9 and DFARS Clause 252.219-7003". Also Subcontracting Plan is shown as Section V of required proposal contents for Volume III. Please clarify whether or not a Subcontracting Plan is required in the IDIQ proposal submission in response to W911QY-17-R-0010.	Subcontracting plans are not required at the IDIQ level.
277	77	L.5.5	Section V - Subcontracting Plan	Can the Government please clarify if a Subcontracting Plan is required with our proposal submission AND what exactly is expected within the Subcontracting Plan?	Subcontracting plans are not required at the IDIQ level.
278	77	L.5.5	Section V - Subcontracting Plan	If a subcontracting plan is required, do you require a plan if we do not have any subcontractors identified for the IDIQ proposal submission?	Subcontracting plans are not required at the IDIQ level.
279	77	L.5.5	L.5.5 Section V – Subcontracting Plan.	In amendment 0002, the Government indicated "Subcontracting Plan. Subcontracting Plans are not applicable at the IDIQ contract level" can the Government remove "Subcontracting Plan" in L.4.1.3 (in table) as well as L.5.5 requirements?	No, the information needs to remain in the IDIQ Contract RFP in order to be carried forward to any future RDAP task/delivery order RFP's
280	77	L.5.5	Section V – Subcontracting Plan	L.4.1.3 shows that Section V of Volume III will be a Subcontracting Plan and L.5.5 requires the submission of a Subcontracting Plan IAW FAR 52.219-9 and DFARS 252.210-7003. Page 60, reference to Attachment 5, indicates that a Small Business Subcontracting Plan is required at the Task/Delivery Order level. Are offerors required to submit a subcontracting plan for the base IDIQ and if so, how are we to estimate the scope and content which will not be known until TOs/DOs are solicited?	Subcontracting plans are not required at the IDIQ level.
281	77	L.5.5	Section V – Subcontracting Plan	L.5.5 Section V, Subcontracting Plan states 'Subcontracting Plans are not applicable at the IDIQ contract level'. L.5.6 Section VI, Organizational Conflict of Interest Mitigation Plan states 'Organizational Conflict of Interest (OCI) Mitigation Plans are not applicable at the IDIQ contract level'. However, L.4.1.3 Proposal Volumes states 'Proposals shall consist of Volumes I, II, III, as set forth in the table below'. The table referenced then includes the Subcontracting Plan (limited to 35 pages) and the OCI Mitigation Plan (limited to 30 pages). Please confirm that proposals are not required to contain individual subcontracting plans or OCI plans at the IDIQ level.	That is correct.
282	77	L.5.5	Section V – Subcontracting Plan	Please confirm that offerors meeting any of the four NAICS codes listed in the Special Notice are considered a small business and therefore a subcontracting plan is not required as part of the Administrative Volume.	Subcontracting plans are not required at the IDIQ level from any vendors. Subcontracting plan requirements at the RDAP task/delivery order will be applicable to offeror's that are considered Other Than Small Businesses for the particular NAICS code for the RDAP task/delivery order RFP.
283	77	L.5.5	Section V – Subcontracting Plan	Please confirm that the Government is not requesting that Small Businesses submit a Subcontracting Plan as part of the response to this IDIQ solicitation.	The Government is not requesting subcontracting plans from any offeror's at the IDIQ Level

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284	77	L.5.5	Small Business Subcontracting Plan and OCI Mitigation Plan	<p>Q&A #27 addressed SB Participation and Subcontracting Plan where the Government indicated Small business goals will be required at the RDAP Task/DO level.</p> <p>Q&A #39 addressed Small Business Subcontract Plan and OCI. The response was that Small business Subcontracting Plans and OCI Plans are not required for the IDIQ Contract Proposal, they will be applicable at the RDAP task/delivery order level. Section J has been updated to make clear when the attachment is applicable.</p> <p>Reviewing Section J of the final RFP – it indicates SB Subcontracting Plans and OCI Plans are to be submitted at the Task/Delivery Order level.</p> <p>The Final RFP L.5.5 Section V requires a Subcontracting Plan in accordance with FAR 52.219-9 and DFARs Clause 252.219-7003 and L.5.6 Section VI requires an OCI Plan</p> <p>Question: Please clarify what should be submitted in the Administrative Volume. Is a Small Business Subcontracting Plan and an OCI Mitigation Plan required at the Master IDIQ level?</p>	Neither a Subcontracting Plan nor an OCI Mitigation Plan are required at the IDIQ level.
285	77	L.5.5	Section V – Subcontracting Plan	Regarding L.5.5 Section V – It is our understanding that as a small business, we are exempt from providing a Subcontracting Plan?	Subcontracting plans are not required at the IDIQ level - and Yes small business are exempt from providing them at the RDAP task/delivery order level.
286	77	L.5.5	Section V – Subcontracting Plan	Section L.5.5 states that Subcontracting Plans are not applicable at the IDIQ contract level. It also states that OTSB offerors “shall submit a Subcontracting Plan”. Are OTSB offerors required to submit a Subcontracting Plan with their offer?	No, subcontracting plans are not required at the IDIQ level.
287	77	L.5.5	Section V – Subcontracting Plan	This paragraph refers to “Full and Open Domains”. Is this an unintended carry over from the OPETS RFP?	Subcontracting plans are not required at the IDIQ level.
288	77	L.5.5	Section V - Subcontracting Plan	L.5.5 Section V states that “Each offeror shall provide, if applicable, a summary describing the teaming or subcontracting arrangement established for this RFP. In offeror format, the offeror shall identify each proposed team member by company name, CAGE Code and address. Also, Other Than Small Business offerors competing in the Full and Open Domains shall submit a Subcontracting Plan in accordance with FAR Clause 52.219-9 and DFARs Clause 252.219-7003 (for reference see FAR 19.704 and DFARS 219-704).” If an offeror is a small business, do they need to identify small business subcontractors for the proposal? The verbiage implies that all offerors must have a subcontracting plan in place for the effort.	Subcontracting plans are not required at the IDIQ level and Small Businesses are not required to submit at the RDAP task/delivery order either.
289	77	L.5.5	Section V - Subcontracting Plan	Will an Offeror who has won a JE-RDAP IDIQ Award be permitted to add subcontractors post-award, in order to pursue a specific competitive Task Order? If so, will there be an approval process that will need to be followed, and will it matter if the proposed subcontractor is another JE-RDAP Prime Contractor?	Yes. Notification of additional subcontractors to be utilized should be provided as part of the RDAP task/delivery order proposal. Proposed subcontractors can be another JE-RDAP IDIQ awardee (prime contractor).
290	77	L.5.6	Section VI - OCI Mitigation Plan	Can the Government please clarify if a OCI Mitigation Plan is required with our proposal submission AND what exactly is expected within the OCI Mitigation Plan?	Offerors are not required to submit an OCI Mitigation Plan at the IDIQ level, however, they may be required to be submitted for future RDAP task/delivery Order(s).
291	77	L.5.6	L.5.6 Section VI– Organizational Conflict of Interest Mitigation Plan	Please confirm that the Government is not requesting that an OCI Mitigation Plan be submitted as part of the response to this IDIQ solicitation.	That is correct.
292	77	L.5.6	L.5.6 Section VI– Organizational Conflict of Interest Mitigation Plan	Section L.5.6 states that OCI Mitigation Plans are not applicable at the IDIQ contract level. It also states that offerors “shall include their mitigation plan in accordance with the clauses and provisions listed in the RDAP task/delivery order RFP”. What information should offerors submit to satisfy Section L.5.6 in their offer?	Offerors are not required to submit an OCI Mitigation Plan at the IDIQ level, however, they may be required to be submitted for future RDAP task/delivery Order(s).
293	77	L.5.6	L.5.6 Section VI– Organizational Conflict of Interest Mitigation Plan	The instructions for “Section VI– Organizational Conflict of Interest Mitigation Plan” in Section L.5.6 state that OCI Mitigation Plans are not applicable at the IDIQ contract level. Given that statement, can the government clarify what is required in Section VI of “Volume III - Administrative”?	Nothing at the IDIQ level.

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294	77	L.5.6	L.5.6 Section VI- Organizational Conflict of Interest Mitigation Plan	Amendment 2 changed this paragraph and there seems to be a conflict. The first sentence in this paragraph states: "Organizational Conflict of Interest (OCI) Mitigation Plans are not applicable at the IDIQ contract level.". However, Organizational Conflict of Interest Mitigation Plan is shown as Section VI of required proposal contents for Volume III. Please clarify whether or not an Organizational Conflict of Interest Mitigation Plan is required in the IDIQ proposal submission in response to W911QY-17-R-0010.	Offerors are not required to submit an OCI Mitigation Plan at the IDIQ level.
295	77	L.5.6	L.5.6 Section VI- Organizational Conflict of Interest Mitigation Plan	The solicitation states: "Organizational Conflict of Interest (OCI) Mitigation Plans are not applicable at the IDIQ contract level. OCI Mitigation Plans may be applicable at the RDAP task/delivery order level, and if so, each offeror shall include their mitigation plan in accordance with the clauses and provisions listed in the RDAP task/delivery order RFP." Please clarify if Offerors are to submit an OCI Mitigation Plan as part of Administrative Volume III, Section IV.	Offerors are not required to submit an OCI Mitigation Plan at the IDIQ level.
296	77	L.5.7	Section VII - System for Award Management (SAM)	Can the Government clarify if they require a pdf copy of the "Entity Overview" (a brief one page summary) or "Entity Overview Details" (multi-page detail of contractors SAM registration)?	Amendment 0002 updated Section VII and instructs Offeror's to provide a PDF copy of the Entity Overview.
297	77	L.5.7	Section VII – System for Award Management (SAM)	Offerors shall self-certify in SAM and provide a PDF copy of their Entity Overview print-out - Please clarify that the requirement is not for the complete FAR/DFARS report and only for the Entity Overview.	Amendment 0002 updated Section VII and instructs Offeror's to provide a PDF copy of the Entity Overview.
298	77	L.5.7	Section VII – System for Award Management (SAM)	The government states the following: L.5.7 Section VII – System for Award Management (SAM): In accordance with (IAW) FAR 4.1201, DFARS 204.1202, and 204.1103(2)(i), offerors shall self-certify in SAM and provide a copy of the print-out in the hardcopy volumes and on the CDs. Offerors shall refer to the SAM website: www.sam.gov. Does the government intend to have offerors' submit a hard copy and CDs or submit IAW sections L 1.1.1 and L 1.1.2?	Amendment 0002 updated Section VII and instructs Offeror's to provide a PDF copy of the Entity Overview.
299	77	L.5.7	Section VII – System for Award Management (SAM)	This paragraph directs offerors to provide SAM self-certification on CDs. We presume this is an error as there are no requirements in L.4.1.3 for offerors to provide CD copies of any of the documents.	Amendment 0002 updated Section VII and instructs Offeror's to provide a PDF copy of the Entity Overview.
300	77	L.5.7	Section VII - System for Award Management (SAM)	For the "a copy of the [SAM] print-out" precisely what items from our SAM.gov entity dashboard do you require for Volume III – Core Data and Assertions only?	Amendment 0002 of the solicitation provided updated language to clarify that this requirement.
301	77	L.5.7	Section VII - System for Award Management (SAM)	Since no hard copies of the proposal are required...shall we assume the requirement in this section to provide "copy of the print-out in the hard copy volumes and on the CDs" is a mistake?	Correct, amendment 0002 updated Section VII and instructs Offeror's to provide a PDF copy of the Entity Overview.
302	77	L.5.8	Section VIII - Teaming Agreements	Can the Government confirm that the only requirement to satisfy 'Section VIII - Teaming Agreements' within Volume III is that the offeror provide a copy of all pages within signed teaming agreements, if there are any?	That is correct
303	77	L.5.8	Section VIII - Teaming Agreements	Does a Prime Contractor require permission from the Government to utilize a foreign company as a teaming partner or a supplier under a distribution agreement in support of this contract?	No, however the Prime is required to notify the Government. Foreign entities are permitted to participate as a subcontractor as long as they are not from a prohibited country under ITAR 126.1 and are able to meet the requirements of FAR Part 25 and DFARS Part 225 at the RDAP task/delivery order level.
304	77	L.5.8	Section VIII-Teaming Agreements	For Section VIII-Teaming Agreements, it says that the "agreement should outline ... complexity and approximate percentage level of work assigned to the subcontractor", but we do not anticipate knowing either the complexity or the approximate percentage of work assigned to the subcontractor until task orders are issued. Could the government remove this requirement from teaming agreements that are executed at the IDIQ level?	The RFP has been amended to indicate this information is applicable at the RDAP task/delivery order level and not required for the IDIQ submission.
305	77	L.5.8	L.5.8 Section VIII-Teaming Agreements.	Given Offerors are not provided the historical data regarding the number of task orders the Government plans to award and how funding has been allocated across the Statement of Work task areas, can the Government remove the requirement, "The agreement should outline the type of work, complexity and approximate percentage level of work assigned to the subcontractor" within the Teaming Agreement?	The RFP has been amended to indicate this information is applicable at the RDAP task/delivery order level and not required for the IDIQ submission.
306	77	L.5.8	Section VIII - Teaming Agreements	How can the Government require type of work, complexity, and approximate percentage of work assigned to the subcontractor as part of the IDIQ level RFP package? This information is unknown until scope is specified at the task order level.	The RFP has been amended to indicate this information is applicable at the RDAP task/delivery order level and not required for the IDIQ submission.

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307	77	L.5.8	Section VIII - Teaming Agreements	In lieu of a teaming agreement, can a prime contractor submit a distribution agreement as proof of Teaming together on this contact?	Teaming agreements are not required for the IDIQ proposal submission. This question will be addressed at the RDAP task/delivery order if applicable.
308	77	L.5.8	Section VIII-Teaming Agreements	L.2.2.3 says "Actual [teaming] agreements are not required for contract award" and L.5.8 Section VIII-Teaming Agreements says "The offeror shall provide a copy of all pages within signed teaming agreements with subcontractors". Please reconcile.	Reconciled under amendment 0002 to the solicitation.
309	77	L.5.8	Section VIII - Teaming Agreements	Ref: L.5.8 Section VIII-Teaming Agreements. Teaming Agreements are not required or encouraged at the IDIQ contract level, however, if the offeror has entered into any teaming agreements, the offeror shall provide a copy of all pages within signed teaming agreements with subcontractors Q. Can you please clarify that Teaming Agreements will not be evaluated in the ID/IQ proposal?	Teaming Agreements will not be evaluated at the IDIQ level or the RDAP task/delivery order level.
310	77	L.5.8	Section VIII - Teaming Agreements	Regarding Amendment 0001 dated 21 Nov 2016 which stated a correction to NAICS codes in L.5.8. It is unclear what corrections were made in comparison to the solicitation? Request clarification on what was corrected.	RFP mistakenly identified NAICS Code 541330 in section L.5.8. Amendment 0001 to the RFP corrected the NAICS Codes to 541511, 541512, 541711 and 541712.
311	77	L.5.8	Section VIII-Teaming Agreements	The government states the following: L.5.8 Section VIII-Teaming Agreements. The offeror shall provide a copy of all pages within signed teaming agreements with subcontractors. The agreement should outline the type of work, complexity and approximate percentage level of work assigned to the subcontractor. Also, it must identify the subcontractor's socioeconomic categories it qualifies for under NAICS code 541330.... Does the government intend to specify NAICS 541330 for subcontractors or use the NAICS code mentioned in section H 2.2?	No, the RFP mistakenly identified NAICS Code 541330 in section L.5.8. Amendment 0001 to the RFP corrected the NAICS Codes to 541511, 541512, 541711 and 541712.
312	77	L.5.8	Section VIII - Teaming Agreements	This section implies that Teaming Arrangements at the IDIQ level are acceptable; yet the request for proposal seems to allude to teaming arrangements only being required at the Task or Delivery Order. Is the Government encouraging teaming at the IDIQ level?	No, the Government is not encouraging teaming at the IDIQ level. However, the decision to team and when is solely the choice of the Offeror.
313	77	L.5.8	Section VIII-Teaming Agreements	This section notes that "Teaming Agreements are not required or encouraged at the IDIQ contract level, however, if the offeror has entered into any teaming agreements, the offeror shall provide a copy of all pages within signed teaming agreements with subcontractors." The section also notes that these Teaming Agreements "should outline the type of work, complexity and approximate percentage level of work assigned to the subcontractor". However, since no specific task orders have been released at this time, it is difficult to anticipate the specifics of the work to be assigned to the subcontractor. Would the Government change this requirement for Teaming Agreements to allow for a more general discussion of areas of work to be done on potential future task orders?	The RFP has been amended to indicate this information is applicable at the RDAP task/delivery order level and not required for the IDIQ submission.
314	80	L.5.8	Teaming Agreements	This section requires copies of teaming agreements but L.2.2.3 indicates "Actual agreements are not required for contract award" and there are no evaluation criteria associated with Section 8 of Volume III. Will the Government delete the requirement to provide teaming agreements?	The Government is not requiring or encouraging teaming agreements at the IDIQ level. However, if the offeror has entered into any teaming agreements, it is in the best interest of the Government to be aware of this, which is why the information is being required. The Government will not be deleting the requirement.
315	80	M.1.2	Evaluation Factors for Award - General	In past industry day briefs, the Government stated their intent was to award IDIQ contracts to all qualified offerors. Section M.1.2 states, "The decision to establish a competitive range will be made at the sole discretion of the Contracting Officer, with approval by the Source Selection Authority (SSA). After evaluating all proposals IAW FAR 15.305(a), the Contracting Officer may also determine that the number of acceptable proposals that might otherwise be included in the competitive range exceeds the number at which efficient competition can be conducted. Offerors are therefore advised that the Contracting Officer, for purposes of efficiency, may also limit the number of competitive range Offerors, at his discretion." Given that the Government intends to use the Best Value-LPTA evaluation process, is it now the Government's intent to limit the number of IDIQ awardees? If so, is there a number that the Government considers "efficient" in terms of this award?	It is not the Governments intent to limit the number of IDIQ Contract Awards. The intent is to award to all offeror's who are deemed technically acceptable whose cost analysis is deemed to be reasonable and realistic.

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316	80	M.1.2	General	There are no definitions for key corporate personnel or parameters surrounding quantity or experience level of identified key corporate personnel, how will the Government compare proposals from Offerors whose proposals meet different requirement?	The Government will not be comparing responses from different offerors to each other. Please also see responses to questions 36 and 110 above.
317	80	M.2.1	LPTA Process	This section states that "For the purposes of this solicitation, LPTA is considered to be the proposal(s) that are rated technically acceptable with cost/price evaluated to be both reasonable and realistic." This evaluation process does not allow for a trade-off between cost and non-cost factors. Please describe how the Government will determine cost/price to be reasonable and realistic.	As per Section M.3.2.2.1.2 Cost analysis using one or more methods listed under FAR 15.404-1(b) will be used to ensure that the awarded contracts will result in reasonable and realistic prices.
318	80	M.2.2	Basis for Award	The solicitation indicates that "All Offeror's whose cost/price proposal have been determined to be both reasonable and realistic will be considered to be "Lowest (Evaluated) Price". The concern is that if rates are only provided for a few Key Corporate Personnel, who tend to be more skilled and experienced with correspondingly higher rates, that the price may not be deemed reasonable. Should the offeror provide rates for more labor categories to include engineers and production personnel more representative of a companies overall population?	No, only rates of the key corporate personnel identified in L.2.1.1.2 should be provided.
319	81	M.3.1.3.2	Technical and production approach	Please reaffirm that any offeror awarded an IDIQ prime contract based on its competency in either Technical/Integration or Manufacturing/Production will be able to compete for Task Orders in both domains.	That is correct.
320	81	M.3.1.3.2.1.1.1	Technical/integration approach	In this paragraph or elsewhere, T&E is not mentioned. Can we assume that this phase of R&D is implicitly included. T&E is integral to DODI 5000.02.	Yes, test and evaluation activities are referred to throughout pages 16-30 of DoDI 5000.02, dated Jan 7, 2015.
321	81	M.3.1.3.2.1.1.1	Technical/integration approach	M.3.1.3.2.1.1.1 includes "production/procurement" as part of the evaluation criterion, while the corresponding instruction L.2.2.1.1.1 does not mention it. Since M3.1.3.2.2 (Manufacturing/Production Approach) includes "production" in its criteria, it's not clear whether the government is referring to different types of production in these cases or whether the "production" in M.3.1.3.2.1.1.1 was inadvertently added. Could the government clarify what is intended?	The RFP has been amended to update the language at M.3.1.3.2.1.1.1 to remove "and production/procurement"
322	82	M.3.1.3.2.1.1.2, M.3.1.3.2.1.2.2 and M.3.1.3.2.2.2	Previous Experience and Future Approach for RDAP Orders and Manufacturing/Production Approach:	While M.3.1.3.2.2.2 does not mention DODI 5000.02 as M.3.1.3.2.1.1.2 or M.3.1.3.2.1.2.2 does, MRL Desk book pp.12-14 links MRL 6 to DAS Milestone B, which would seem to imply that there is quite a bit of overlap between the two areas from which the Offer is to choose one for demonstrating its core competency. Is it the intent of the government to emphasize MRLs 6-10 for manufacturing capability in one area vs. cover the entire DAS life cycle in the other area? Could the government provide additional details to make the two areas more distinguishable?	It is the intent for the Government to emphasize the Defense Acquisition System activities (specified in pages 16-30 of DoDI 5000.02, dated Jan 7, 2015) for the Technical/Integration area. It is the intent of the Government to emphasize the activities required to mature Manufacturing Readiness Levels 6-10 (specified pages in 12-14 of the DoD MRL Desk book, dated August 2015) for the Manufacturing/Production area.
323	83	M.3	Evaluation Methodology	Section M.3 details 'Minimum Requirements' for Volume I- Technical/Management and Volume II-Cost/Price, but provides no evaluation criteria of 'Minimum Requirements' for Volume III- Administrative. Does the Government intend to provide evaluation criteria for this section?	The Government does not intend to evaluate Volume III.
324	83	M.3.2	Cost/Price	The pricing attachment (Attachment I) does not provide any detail for analysis of cost elements, except for key corporate personnel. Will the government advise what labor categories will be evaluated, to provide a level playing field for bidders?	The Government will evaluate the labor categories provided by the offeror as their key corporate personnel. Please also see response to questions 36 and 110.
325	83	M.3.2.1	Cost/Price Evaluation	M.3.2.1 Proposed labor and indirect rates will serve as ceiling rates (with future economic adjustment), not basement rates, for future RDAP task/delivery order price proposals. Please clarify how labor rates for Key Corporate Personnel can reasonably be used as ceiling rates for yet to be defined task orders which may require resources associated with non-key corporate personnel.	Solicitation has been amended to remove reference to ceiling rates.
326	83	M.3.2.1.1	Cost /Price Evaluation	In Attachment 1 Cost Price Template, there is one spreadsheet. The RFP does not distinguish whether the work is to be performed at gov't site facilities or Contractor facilities. The application of indirect rates based on where the work is being performed may be different based on performance location. Should we provide rates for different performance locations?	No, provide rates for performance at Contractor sites.

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327	83	M.3.2.1.1	Cost /Price Evaluation	In Attachment 1 Cost Price Template, there is one spreadsheet. The RFP states that this is supposed to be used to detail the Fixed Price and Cost Reimbursable rates which could have different fee's applied based on contract type and risk associated with that contract type. Are we to use multiple tables based on contract type?	Attachment 1 has been updated to allow offerors to input fully burdened cost rates and fully burdened firm fixed. Fee is removed, as this will be determined at task order level.
328	83	M.3.2.1.1	Cost /Price Evaluation	In Attachment 1 Cost Price Template, there is one spreadsheet. The Spreadsheet does not distinguish whether the Key Personnel is a team member or an employee. How should the contractor provide non-employee Key Personnel rates?	The offeror shall obtain rates for non-employee (team member) rates if they are being proposed as part of the key corporate personnel in response to L.2.1.1.2.
329	83	M.3.2.1.1	Cost Price Evaluation	M.3.2.1.1 states that the Microsoft Excel spreadsheet (Attachment 1) details both fixed-price and cost-reimbursable rates. Per instructions included in the Microsoft Excel spreadsheet, we are to change percentages in the yellow boxes ONLY. Since contract type may affect proposed fee, should we create separate tabs for fixed-price and cost-reimbursable rates?	Attachment 1 has been updated to allow offerors to input fully burdened cost rates and fully burdened firm fixed. Fee is removed, as this will be determined at task order level.
330	83	M.3.2.1.1	Cost/Price Evaluation	Paragraph M.3.2.1.1 of the RFP states that Attachment 1 includes both fixed-price and cost reimbursable rates. Are we required to submit two versions of Attachment 1, one for fixed-price and one for cost reimbursable?	Attachment 1 has been updated to allow offerors to input fully burdened cost rates and fully burdened firm fixed. Fee is removed, as this will be determined at task order level.
331	83	M.3.2.1.1	Cost/Price	Section L.4.1.3 indicates the only solicitation requirement for cost/price is the submission of Section J, Attachment 1. Please clarify if there are other cost/price submission requirements.	There are not, however, the Offeror may provide a no more than 2 page cost narrative if they feel it is necessary.
332	83	M.3.2.1.1	Cost/Price	The Government will evaluate for reasonableness and realism, the Offeror's cost/price information provided in the Microsoft Excel spreadsheet (Attachment 1) which details the fixed-price and cost-reimbursable rates for the key corporate personnel identified in Section L.2.1.1.2 The cost price proposal template does not indicate whether or not the burdened rate in Column I is fixed price or cost reimbursable and only provides instructions to provide one type of rate per Key Corporate Personnel. The provided template does not allow for both fixed and CR rates. Please clarify how we are to provide both rate types to be in accordance with M.3.2.1.1?	Attachment 1 has been updated to allow offerors to input fully burdened cost rates and fully burdened firm fixed. Fee is removed, as this will be determined at task order level.
333	83	M.3.2.1.1	Cost/Price Evaluation	The Government will evaluate for reasonableness and realism, the Offeror's cost/price information provided in the Microsoft Excel spreadsheet (Attachment 1) which details the fixed-price and cost-reimbursable rates for the key corporate personnel identified in Section L.2.1.1.2 Do we submit a separate Microsoft Excel spreadsheet (Attachment 1) for fixed-price versus cost-reimbursable rates? Is the Offeror required to submit separate individual Microsoft Excel spreadsheet (Attachment 1) for each of the ten years of the base contract to show incremental increases? If no, where does the offeror show incremental increases for the cost rates?	Attachment 1 has been updated to allow offerors to input fully burdened cost rates and fully burdened firm fixed. Fee is removed, as this will be determined at task order level.
334	83	M.3.2.1.1	Cost/Price Evaluation	The Microsoft Excel spreadsheet (Attachment 1) does not provide for or distinguish between CP or FFP rates as required in M.3.2.1.1?	Attachment 1 has been updated to allow offerors to input fully burdened cost rates and fully burdened firm fixed. Fee is removed, as this will be determined at task order level.
335	83	M.3.2.1.2	Cost Price Evaluation	FAR 15.404-4(c)(4)(i) establishes 15% as the max fee for cost plus fixed fee contracts only. Is the Government imposing a 15% fee/profit ceiling on all other contract types as well?	Attachment 1 has been updated to allow offerors to input fully burdened cost rates and fully burdened firm fixed. Fee is removed as this will be determined at task order level. Allowable fees will be in accordance with FAR 15.404-4(c)(4)(i)(A), FAR 15.404-4(c)(4)(i)(B) and FAR 15.404-4(c)(4)(i)(C)
336	83	M.3.2.1.2	Cost/Price	Fee percentage - Can vendors assume a CPFF type delivery order (for example) and propose a fee in the IDIQ in accordance with the maximum fees allowable for experimental, developmental, or research work in accordance with 15.404-4(c)(4)(i)? This could establish the Not-to-Exceed basis with the assumption that vendors could propose other contract types at the Task/Delivery Order stage. Please confirm or clarify.	The solicitation has been updated to include language in accordance with FAR 15.404-4(c)(4)(i) which states that fee for R&D CPFF type contracts shall not exceed 15%, all other cost plus fixed fee shall be 10% or lower. However spreadsheet has been updated to remove fee as this will be determined at the task order level

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337	83	M.3.2.1.2	Cost/Price Evaluation	<p>M.3.2.1.2 establishes the ceiling for fee via 15.404-4(c)(4)(i). 15.404-4(c)(4)(i) speaks specifically to Cost-Plus-Fixed-Fee (CPFF) contracts and not Fixed-Price contracts maximum fees. JE-RDAP has Fixed-Price CLINs. Because of the elimination of risk sharing related to cost inherent to Fixed Price contracts, all cost risks are carried by the contractor as opposed to CPFF contracts where cost risk is carried by both parties more so than Fixed Price contracts. Further, the addition of materials in production contracts add an additional variable of risk that isn't shared by both parties in the case of Fixed Price contracts. Traditionally, limits on fee for Fixed Price production contracts exceed those established in 15.404-4(c)(4)(i).</p> <p>Is it the intention of the Government to hold the Fee Limitations established by the limits of 15.404-4(c)(4)(i) (specific to CPFF contracts) for Fixed Price contracts?</p>	Attachment 1 has been updated to allow offerors to input fully burdened cost rates and fully burdened firm fixed. Fee is removed as this will be determined at task order level.
338	83	M.3.2.1.2	Cost/Price Evaluation	<p>Paragraph M.3.2.1.1 establishes evaluation criteria for the "Offeror's cost/price information for the Excel sheet which details the Fixed-Price and Cost Reimbursable rates for key personnel..." Paragraph M.3.2.1.2 limits the fee by the requirements stated in 15.404-4(c)(4)(i) to develop for evaluation "reasonableness and realism". 15.404-4(c)(4)(i) establishes categories for the maximum allowable fee at: A. Experimental, Developmental, or Research work - 15%; B. Architect-Engineer Service - 10%; and, C. Other Cost-Plus-Fixed-Fee contracts - 10%.</p> <p>Paragraph M.3.2.1.2 states "If the proposed fee is greater than the maximum fees allowable in accordance with 15.404-4(c)(4)(i), the Offeror will not be eligible for award." It is contemplated that JE-RDAP could require effort in both the "Experimental, Developmental, or Research" and "Other CPFF" categories. Which Fee Limit will be used</p>	Attachment 1 has been updated to allow offerors to input fully burdened cost rates and fully burdened firm fixed. Fee is removed as this will be determined at task order level.
339	83	M.3.2.2	Cost Price Evaluation	Are changes to indirect rates included in permissible future economic adjustments, or just cost of living escalations for direct labor rates?	The government will evaluate the base direct and indirect rates. Out years for direct labor will be evaluated by reviewing the proposed % of escalation.
340	83	M.3.2.2	Cost/Price Evaluation	Are the ceiling labor and indirect rates proposed in Attachment 1 applicable for the entire ten year base period? Are Offeror's permitted to reproduce Attachment 1 for each individual year of the ten year base period?	The government will evaluate the base direct and indirect rates. Out years for direct labor will be evaluated by reviewing the proposed % of escalation.
341	83	M.3.2.2	Cost/Price Evaluation	Cost Price Proposal Template - Cell A5 says 'Do not modify gray cells'. Please confirm that offerors can adjust the calculations to conform to their Cost Estimating methodology.	Offerors may add more rows, but do not modify the gray cells or add columns that change formulas.
342	83	M.3.2.2	Cost/Price Evaluation	For pricing purposes, what is the expected Period of Performance Start Date of the IDIQ?	The Government anticipates awards will be made in the second quarter of FY17 with the award of task/delivery orders occurring in the third quarter FY17.
343	83	M.3.2.2	Cost Price Evaluation	How does the Government intend to economically adjust future labor rates?	Attachment 1 - Cost Price Proposal Spreadsheet has been updated for offeror to input escalation % for out years.
344	83	M.3.2.2	Cost /Price Evaluation	In Attachment 1 Cost Price Template, are the labor and indirect rates proposed for just the Base Year or is it for the whole IDIQ 10 year PoP? Will these be the maximum rates (ceiling) for the proposed Key people?	The government will evaluate the base direct and indirect rates. Out years for direct labor will be evaluated by reviewing the proposed % of escalation.
345	83	M.3.2.2	Cost Price Evaluation	Please confirm that the ceiling rate of the labor and indirect rate is for the management of the IDIQ top level contract and not for the execution of task orders.	Solicitation will be amended to remove reference to ceiling rates.
346	83	M.3.2.2	Cost/Price Evaluation	Please confirm that there is no sample task or other hypothetical effort on which to base our cost/price and that labor rates for key corporate personnel satisfy your requirements.	That is correct.
347	83	M.3.2.2	Cost Price Evaluation	Please confirm the ceiling rate of the labor and indirect rates will be exclusive of fee because future fee would be dependent on task order type (i.e. FFP, CPFF, T&M etc.).	Attachment 1 has been updated to allow offerors to input fully burdened cost rates and fully burdened firm fixed. Fee is removed as this will be determined at task order level.
348	83	M.3.2.2	Cost Price Evaluation	Please confirm which column in the solicitation excel Attachment 1 will be considered ceiling rates; Base Rate, Fringe, Overhead, G&A, and fee.	Solicitation will be amended to remove reference to ceiling rates.
349	83	M.3.2.2	Cost/Price Evaluation	<p>Proposed labor and indirect rates will serve as ceiling rates (with future economic adjustment), not basement rates, for future RDAP task/delivery order price proposals</p> <p>SOW A.4 states that the "period of performance consists of one (1) ten (10) year base period." Cost/Price is limited to a single page by L.4.1.3. Please advise how vendors can address year-to-year escalation. If we add tabs and duplicate Tab 1 for the out years, we exceed the page limit.</p>	The government will evaluate the base direct and indirect rates. Out years for direct labor will be evaluated by reviewing the proposed % of escalation. Attachment 1 - Cost Price Proposal Spreadsheet has been updated for offeror to input escalation % for out years.

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350	83	M.3.2.2	Cost/Price Evaluation	RFP states "Proposed labor and indirect rates will serve as ceiling rates (with future economic adjustment), not basement rates, for future RDAP task/delivery order price proposals". The POP consists of one ten year base period, based on the statement in Section M.3.2.2 regarding future economic adjustments, is it the Governments intent for Contractors to complete Attachment 1 using current year pricing?	Yes
351	83	M.3.2.2	Cost/Price Evaluation	states "Proposed labor and indirect rates will serve as ceiling rates (with future economic adjustment), not basement rates, for future RDAP task/delivery order price proposals." Attachment 1-Cost Price Proposal Template.xls only proposes one (1) year of performance. Can the Government confirm that our Forward Pricing Rates will apply in subsequent years to determine ceiling rates?	The government will evaluate the base direct and indirect rates. Out years for direct labor will be evaluated by reviewing the proposed % of escalation. Attachment 1 - Cost Price Proposal Spreadsheet has been updated for offeror to input escalation % for out years. FPR rates can be applied as long as they are audited. Solicitation will be amended to remove reference to ceiling rates.
352	83	M.3.2.2	Cost/Price Evaluation	The Government states that "proposed labor and indirect rates will serve as ceiling rates, not basement rates, for future RDAP task/delivery order price proposals," but states that awards of IDIQ contracts will be made to Offeror(s) whose proposal(s) represents the Best Value to the Government by applying LPTA source selection process described in FAR 15.101-2. Could the Government please clarify how it will evaluate Volume II - Cost/Price and the ceiling labor and indirect rates proposed in Attachment 1? Can the Government provide labor categories to normalize all bidders responses?	The government will evaluate the base direct and indirect rates. Out years for direct labor will be evaluated by reviewing the proposed % of escalation.
353	83	M.3.2.2	Cost Price Evaluation	The solicitation states that proposed labor and indirect rates will serve as ceiling rates for future proposals. Please confirm that Fee proposed does not serve as a fee ceiling for future proposals at the task order level.	The government will evaluate the base direct and indirect rates. Out years for direct labor will be evaluated by reviewing the proposed % of escalation. Fee will be removed as this will be determined at the task order level.
354	83	M.3.2.2	Cost Price Evaluation	Will the Government please identify which contract types the proposed fully burdened rates are considered to be ceiling rates for future RDAP task/delivery orders?	Attachment 1 has been updated to allow offerors to input fully burdened cost rates and fully burdened firm fixed. Fee is removed as this will be determined at task order level.
355	83	M.3.2.2	Cost/Price Evaluation	Can the government indicate if the offeror is intended to use current FPRR rates as ceiling rates for the 10 year ordering period?	If the offeror has FPRR rates, they may provided a copy.
356	83	M.3.2.2	Cost/Price Evaluation	If the offeror does not have FPRR rates for ten years, is it the government's intention that the offeror develop ceiling rates? If not, can the government let the offeror know what is meant by future economic adjustment?	The government will evaluate the base direct and indirect rates. Out years for direct labor will be evaluated by reviewing the proposed % of escalation.
357	83	M.3.2.2	Cost/Price Evaluation	Since the personnel represented in this response are based on a notional work scope anticipated for future JE-RDAP task orders and will differ between respondents, will the government please reconsider utilization of these rates as "Ceiling Rates".	The solicitation has been amended to remove reference to ceiling rates.
358	83	M.3.2.2	Cost/Price Evaluation	Please clarify the last sentence which reads as follows: "Proposed labor and indirect rates will serve as ceiling rates (with future economic adjustment), not basement rates, for future RDAP task/delivery order price proposals". The cost proposal worksheet template only reflects rates for a single time period. Where is future economic adjustment (escalation) to be included?	The government will evaluate the base direct and indirect rates. Out years for direct labor will be evaluated by reviewing the proposed % of escalation.
359		General	General	Are foreign entities eligible for participation? If so please advise any specific terms and conditions relating to Foreign Entity participation	Foreign entities are permitted to submit an offer as long as they are not from a prohibited country under ITAR 126.1 and are able to meet the requirements of FAR Part 25 and DFARS Part 225 at the RDAP task/delivery order level.
360		General	General	Are there specific specifications? Or is this more of an exercise to gather information on vendors who provide products in this area.	The intent of Section L is to determine if offeror's can manage future task/delivery order requirements (both from a corporate management and cost management perspective). Additionally, it is the intent to determine if offeror's have a core capability that is aligned with the types of activities that the JPEO-CBD executes for the development of programs, per the core capability descriptions below: It is the intent for the Government to emphasize the Defense Acquisition System activities (specified in pages 16-30 of DoDI 5000.02, dated Jan 7, 2015) for the Technical/Integration area. It is the intent of the Government to emphasize the activities required to mature Manufacturing Readiness Levels 6-10 (specified pages in 12-14 of the DoD MRL Desk

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361		General	General	Are vendors required to bid all contract types? Please clarify if the government will specify the applicable contract type in Task/Delivery Orders, or will vendors be able to bid its preferred contract type?	No, the Government will specify the applicable contract type(s) in future task/delivery orders.
362		General		Can the government tell us how many awards they intend to award?	The Government is unable to provide an actual number as it will be highly dependent upon the response received to the solicitation. Expectations are that a large number of IDIQ contracts will be awarded.
363		General		Can you clarify the role of the JOINT ENTERPRISE RESEARCH DEVELOPMENT ACQUISITION AND PROCUREMENT OMNIBUS CONTRACT (JPEO-CBD)(JE-RDAP as it relates to IT acquisition? o Can you further clarify how the category bids will work? o In the RFQ forecasts you plan on publishing will each contractor be able to see the all RFQ's regardless of category or business size standard?	One of the JPM's is JPM Information Systems (IS). It is anticipated that JPM IS will have future RDAP Orders requiring IT solutions. Each IDIQ Awardee will be eligible to compete on all future RDAP Orders, with the exception of those that have an exception to fair opportunity or are a Small Business Set Aside. Each IDIQ Awardee will be able to see all future RDAP Orders forecasted
364		General		Could you clarify the role of IS in supporting the JPMs from an IT perspective?	As the Information Systems JPM, IS will provide Information Management and Information Technology capabilities and solutions to fulfill the JPM IS program of record and initiative requirements; as well as, provide technical expertise, standards and common enterprise wide capabilities and solutions across the CDBP Enterprise. This may include full RDT&E efforts as well as SETA.
365		General		DCAA /DCMA compliant accounting system: a. Are Small Businesses required to have a certified accounting system? b. Are contractors required to have a DCAA/DCMA compliant accounting system? c. Per section L.5.3, if a company does not have DCAA/DCMA POCs at time of proposal submission, will the Government allow the Prime to establish these contacts after award?	a. Yes, if a small business proposing cost task orders/delivery orders b. Offeror's need an accounting system that can adequately track and accumulate costs c. Yes
366		General		Do labor hours need to be reported on FFP orders?	As indicated on attachment 1, labor hours are not reported at the base IDIQ level
367		General		Has the program office given any thought to breaking out both end user and Enterprise IT H/W as a separate contract/category?	No. The IDIQ contracts are being structured for maximum flexibility of the CLINs based on the wide variety of requirements contemplated under the program.
368		General		If a prime has a foreign company as a Teaming Partner And the foreign company doesn't generate income in the US and therefore doesn't pay US income tax does the foreign company need a TIN? Can the CEO sign the financial documents required for this submission sign the documents if the company doesn't have a CEO?	No, but the Prime must operate in compliance with FAR Part 25, DFARS Part 25 and The International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR) at the RDAP task/delivery order level. The requirement for submission of financial documents has been removed from section L.5.3 Section III
369		General		In accordance with CAS applicability, small businesses are exempt from CAS requirements. It was stated that the Government may request proof of adequate accounting practices to support a cost type contract. What information (if any) will be required to be approved for cost type awards for small businesses?	Offerors exempt from the CAS requirement would be required to, at a minimum, demonstrate that they have an adequate accounting system in order to be eligible to be awarded cost type task/delivery orders.
370		General		In reviewing FAR 15.404-4(c)(4)(i), can you please clarify/confirm if this order is to be viewed as: (A) For experimental, developmental, or research work performed under a cost-plus-fixed-fee contract, the fee shall not exceed 15 percent of the contract's estimated cost, excluding fee. Or (B) for other cost-plus-fixed-fee contracts, the fee shall not exceed 10 percent of the contract's estimated cost, excluding fee.	FAR 15.404-4(c)(4)(i)(A)
371		General		Is it the Gov't's intent to transition to Milcloud? Will JWARN and JEM be supported by the Milcloud? What is the relationship between CDBP and DISA platforms?	JWARN and JEM have a requirement to field a Cloud based capability. Currently JPM IS is prototyping on Milcloud but will continue to look at and entertain other approved cloud solutions. The CDBP may utilize DISA and/or other DOD approved platforms in future RDAP Order requirements/requirement solutions
372		General		Is it the intent of JE RDAP to have a Common Operating Environment and standardize on any specific hardware platform or solution?	JPM IS will provide the hardware platform solution(s) as part of future RDAP Orders competed under JE-RDAP.
373		General		Is the end of the solicitation document on page 83 of 83 with the statement "CLAUSES INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE" and 52.217-3 Evaluation Exclusive of Options APR 1984? Or are there any additional clauses incorporated?	Clauses are incorporated and added by full text in several sections of the solicitation. The solicitation, through modification 0002, is a total of 83 pages
374		General		It appears that there will not be any IDIQ awards for small business concerns, is that correct?	The IDIQ contracts are being awarded under Full and Open competition which does not exclude Small Business. The Government anticipates multiple awards to Small Businesses.

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375		General		On JWARN, what is the timing on the tech refresh and modernization and the SOA requirement? Where are the Data Centers located?	JWARN's current contract runs through the end of 2018. Data Centers will be in accordance with service requirements and sites supporting JIE, COE, DISA, GCCS J,M etc.
376		General	NAICS Codes	We are listed in SAM registration NAICS Code 541712. Do we need to also include NAICS codes 541511, 541511, 541711 or is 541712 sufficient?	No, NAICS Code 541712 is sufficient at the IDIQ level. At the RDAP task/delivery order level, the offeror should be registered in the NAICS code that the particular task/delivery order is being released under.
377		General	General	We develop and produce enzyme-based test kits. Core products are test kits for nitrate, in many formats. Is this of interest your program?	This may be applicable to future RDAP Orders, however, at this time the Government cannot predict what requirements the future will hold.
378		General	Start Date	What is the anticipated award date?	The Government anticipates awards will be made in the second quarter of FY17 with the award of task/delivery orders occurring in the third quarter FY17.
379		General		Will JPM IS make the hardware platform decision or will that be left up to the incumbent contractors?	Hardware platforms are the program office decision which are determined to meet requirements.
380		General		Will the government accept key personnel for the JPEO-CBD JE-RDAP (W911QY-17-R-0010) who are not current employees of the offeror company?	Yes; offerors shall identify key corporate personnel that they intend on utilizing to manage the contract at the IDIQ level in response to Section L.2.1, regardless on if they are current employees or not.
381		General		Will the Government accept the sale of products offered as COTS if they are a) Patented or b) sold to other countries' military forces, for example NATO countries?	That determination would be made based on a specific requirement and is not necessary for the IDIQ contract proposal
382		General		Will the JWARN and JEM procurements be run through the JE RDAP?	It is the intent of the Government to release future JWARN and JEM procurements through JE-RDAP as future RDAP Orders.
383		General	Small Business Set-Aside	Will there be any SDVOSB set-asides for the contract? And will any Task Orders/Delivery Orders by set-aside for SDVOSBs?	RFP Section H.2 provides information on RDAP task/delivery orders restricted to small business. IDIQ contracts are being competed full and open