Responses to questions in reference to the Governor’s Office of Storm Recovery
Request for Qualifications for Professional Services for
CDBG-DR Residential Construction Services RFQ # 201510_040
Released November 16, 2015

1. How is the scope of work for each project determined and who will be preparing the supporting documentation? Will this happen via drawings or report?
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   A. The scope of work for each project will be based on the approved construction drawings prepared by the Homeowner’s or Program provided design professional. Supporting documentation for the Request for Proposal will be prepared by Program staff. The proposal package will be a combination of construction drawings and Estimate Cost of Repair report.

2. Do we need to verify we were on the teleconference call to submit our qualifications for this RFQ?
   A. No, you do not need to verify in order to submit your qualifications.

3. What is the anticipated number of total units that will need construction services?
   A. The anticipated total number of units is greater than 1,000.

4. What is the anticipated number of units under $150K and number of units over $150K?
   A. These numbers are unknown at the moment.

5. Is there a minimum point value a Contractor has to achieve to be listed in this Qualified Contractor Pool? If so, what is it?
   A. Scoring of responses will be by the scoring criteria enumerated in the RFQ. When all responsive submissions have been reviewed, a qualitative determination will be made.

6. Is prevailing wage a requirement?
   A. A contract to rehabilitate any number of single family properties for homeownership is not covered by Davis-Bacon. However, Davis-Bacon would apply if the property contains 8+ units, including single family properties not for homeownership. Property is not limited to a specific building and is defined as one or more buildings on an undivided lot or on contiguous lots or parcels, which are commonly-owned and operated as one rental, cooperative or condominium project.

7. Is certified payroll a requirement?
   A. Certified payroll will be requested as part of any Task Order agreement for construction as per industry standard for public works projects.
8. Are jobs going to be assigned to Contractors or do the Contractors bid on each project?
   
   A. **Contractors bid on each project.**

9. With regards to form HUD-60002, the form speaks of construction contracts and asks for items specific to that contract. How are we to answer the questions without an awarded contract?
   
   A. **Where appropriate, indicate “TBD” (To be determined).**

10. Please clarify the attachments in the Appendices that are required to be included in the RFQ.
   

11. We are not a WBE/MBE firm, the RFQ is requesting that we inform you how we would go about hiring WBE/MBE companies, is a letter outlining how we will requests bids for the projects that we awarded?
   
   A. **Respondent shall demonstrate in its Statement of Qualifications how it is committed to complying with all applicable federal, state and local regulations, including M/WBE and Section 3 income requirements. See Section 6.7 of the RFQ.**

12. Are we to attach evidence of insurance with the RFQ?
   
   A. **You do not need to attach evidence of insurance with the RFQ.**

13. Will you list out the required forms to be included with our response? Section 6.7 has the forms bolded, but one was added during the meeting that is not bolded (HUD-60002).
   
   A. **See 10.**

14. What is the revised date and time for the submission of RFQ # 201510_040?
   
   A. **See Addendum 1 on the GOSR Procurement Opportunities webpage.**

15. Will GOSR please post on the Web as soon as possible all handouts that were made available to the firms that attended the Mineola meeting on November 4 @1:00PM?
   
   A. **All handouts that were made available to the firms that attended the Mineola meeting on November 4 are available on the GOSR Procurement Opportunities webpage.**

16. Will GOSR please post on the Web as soon as possible all referenced appendices on page 22 of the RFQ?
   
   A. **All referenced appendices on page 22 of the RFQ are available in the Appendices for Request for Proposals on the GOSR Procurement Opportunities webpage.**

17. We request clarification that all single family residential construction is exempt from Prevailing or Davis Bacon Wage provision referenced HUD 4010 and paragraph 21- HUD General Provision dated 4/1/15. That the wage
and benefits for work conducted single family construction is not regulated by (1) hourly salary by labor, trade or class of work (2) supplemental rates (3) or participation in apprentice programs. We understand that MWBE and Section 3 apply according to the HUD provisions.

A. As per HUD Labor Relations Desk Guide LR01.DG (September 2011), a contract to rehabilitate any number of single family properties for homeownership is not covered by Davis-Bacon. However, Davis-Bacon would apply if the property contains 8+ units, including single family properties not for homeownership. Property is not limited to a specific building and is defined as one or more buildings on an undivided lot or on contiguous lots or parcels, which are commonly-owned and operated as one rental, cooperative or condominium project.

18. Please clarify any overtime in excess of 40 hours per 7 calendar days is subject to 1.5 overtime per NYS Labor and HUD.

A. If GOSR authorizes overtime for a specific job or jobs, Contractors must abide by New York State and federal laws, whichever more stringent, concerning proper overtime rates for its employees. If GOSR authorizes overtime, the overtime rates and hours must be reflected in the payroll records.

19. Please clarify that the contractor is still required to maintain payroll records and submit other HUD reports that may be submitted monthly, bi-monthly quarterly or semiannually per the HUD provisions.

A. Contractors must retain payroll records as per HUD recommendation to retain all project documents for a period of 5 years. Required monthly or quarterly HUD reports are included in the Appendices to the RFQ, and must be prepared and submitted by the Contractor in a timely fashion (upon commencement of Task Order work).

20. Please clarify use of Xactimate for the duration of the RFQ to 2018. Is the 2013 Data Base for Storm Damage being used as the basis for this RFQ and will GOSR/HTFC apply annual adjustment factors to the 2013 Data Base or will GOSR upgrade the Data Base to version 2016 at the commencement of this RFQ and will the 2016 Data Base be upgraded thereafter on an annual basis?

A. Refer to the upcoming RFP for additional information.