

PRDE (ER)- 2019-02

ADDENDA #1

PRDE hereby issues Addenda #1 to RFP No. **PRDE (ER)- 2019-02** answering questions submitted to recovery@de.pr.gov. If a question was submitted more than once, only one answer will be posted. **PRDE encourages all potential proposers to frequently visit www.de.pr.gov for updated to the RFP information.**

INQUIRY #1

1. [Pgs 1 and 69 of 93] – The deadline for submitting the Letter of Intent is defined in RFP as:
(a) **March 28, 2019** in the Table on Pg. 1 of 93, and as, (b) **April 15, 2019** in the Proposal Submittal FORM 8 (on Pg. 69 of 93). Please confirm the deadline.

The deadline to submit the Letter of Intent is March 28, 2019. Clarification was published on the PRDE website.

2. [Pg 8 of 93] – The RFP states that the estimated cost to “...restore PRDE schools and facilities is at least \$10,000,000,000.” Is that the cost of the work to be managed by the PMO? If not, what is the amount of the “*contract total*”?

The amount \$10,000,000 refers to the current estimated amount to restore the schools and facilities. As the relevant entities continue to evaluate the damages the estimated amount may be adjusted accordingly.

The contract total will be based on the fees of the proposer, which is to be presented in a time and materials framework with “not to exceed amount” for the term of the contract.

3. [Pg 11 of 93] – The list of PMO Project Control Duties include:
 1. Developing and maintaining, “...a master budget to guide projections, development plans, and construction decisions.” Will planned projects be limited to those funded by federal programs, or could they include projects funded by any on-going or future CIP (capital improvement program) projects funded separately by the Government of Puerto Rico?

The PRDE anticipates the PMO selected under this RFP will manage only those projects related to recovery efforts which may include funds from different entities including but not limited to the state and federal government as well as philanthropic initiatives.

2. ensuring that “...all project decisions, including design and construction, will be based on forecast of cost implications and will ensure proper control procedures are developed and implemented.” Will project funding be based on reimbursements under FEMA’s PA

Program, or will they be managed as Section 428 (or HUD CDBG-DR) projects with agreed scopes and approved funding?

The PRDE anticipates the PMO selected under this RFP may manage both types of projects, those under reimbursements and those under Section 428 and HUD CDBG-DR, which both may include other sources of financing.

4. [Pg 11-12 of 93] – The list of the areas for which the PMO will serve as PRDE advisor includes:
1. Working with A/E Design Team and PRDE to “...*support efforts in the development of the operational and functional space programs for the Project.*” Please clarify if that involvement includes participating in policy issues such as: reducing through consolidations the numbers of operating schools.

No, this not include involvement on policy issues. It includes participation in the planning and design phase and eventual oversight for Category E work.

5. [Pg 16 of 93] – The RFP includes a requirement for the submission of Payment and Performance Bonds. Since these are bonds that, in the industry, are only required from general contractors in construction contracts (and not from service providers in service contracts), will this requirement be only for the construction companies that may be contracted by the PMO (or the PRDE under the PMO’s bidding assistance, as the case may be) for the repair and/or reconstruction of schools under this program?

The only bonds applicable under this RFP are the bid bond and the payment bond.

6. [Pg 16 of 93] – “Payment of compensation shall be based on, ...actual services performed.” Are the services rendered under this Program to be paid as Time & Material?

Yes.

2. “...equipment delivered during the term of the contract.” What are equipment to be delivered?

No equipment is expected. The RFP, however, does require the electronic platform.

7. [Pg 36 of 93] – Tab 8 Proposer References: are required for “...*services similar to the ones required herein or has provided such services within the last 5 years.*” “*References outside the three (3) years will also receive a score of zero (0) points.*” Why are of works done 5 years ago allowed to comply with this requirement, but given a score of zero? Also, why is the time frame for “*references from programs of similar scope*” limited to a time frame when Puerto Rico was in the midst of a severe economic contraction during which little or no “*similar programs*” were being undertaken? We suggest that this time frame be extended to 7-10 years.

The last sentence of the third paragraph under Tab 8 on page 36 of 93 shall read:

References outside the ten (10) years will also receive a score of zero (0) points.

INQUIRY #2

1. On page 1 of 93; The deadline for submitting RFP Questions is March 28, 2019, six (6) days prior to the Mandatory Pre-proposal Conference of April 3, 2019. Usually, questions and scope clarifications may arise from the Pre-Proposal Conference Meetings. Will there be an opportunity to extend the questions period at a later date and after the Pre- Proposal Meeting?

The pre-proposal meeting is intended to clarify any questions answered prior to the April 3, 2019 and to address any questions that might have arisen as a result of such answers. Additional questions that arise during the pre-proposal conference should be submitted in writing no later than April 5, 2019. No further questions will be accepted after this date. All questions will be answered on the PRDE website no later than midnight April 9, 2019.

2. On page 8 of 93; The RFP mention that the “estimate cost to restore PRDE schools and facilities is at least \$10,000,000,000”. Could PRDE confirm this number?

The number referenced is correct as of the date of publication of the RFP. As the relevant entities continue to evaluate the damages the estimated amount may be adjusted accordingly.

3. On page 16 of 93; PRDE is requesting proponents to provide:

a. Bid Bond in an equal to 5% of the contract total. This quantity will depend on the respond on question # 2

Please note the contract total is not \$10,000,000,000. The contract total will be based on the fees of the proposer, which is to be presented in a time and materials framework with “not to exceed amount” for the term of the contract.

b. Performance Bond and Payment Bond in an equal to 100% of the contract total. Neither Performance Bond or Payment Bond are typically required for the type of Program Management Services requested on this RFP. Can PRDE confirm if these requirements shall remain? We understand the need of these bonds are required for Construction Contractors.

The only bonds applicable under this RFP are the bid bond and the payment bond.

4. On page 61 of 93; PRDE Reference Questionnaire. RFP mention that Proposers will be evaluated on three (3) completed reference questionnaires. It also refer that any reference outside the three (3) years will receive a score of cero (0) Points. Can this experience requirement be extensive to ten (10) years, when it is demonstrated the companies and the

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proposed staff counts with successful school projects background? Not too many recent schools program were developed on the last three years, limiting firms with strong schools experience

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References outside the ten (10) years will also receive a score of zero (0) points.

INQUIRY #3

1. Please clarify time and location of pre-proposal conference

All interested parties must attend the mandatory pre-proposal conference. Timely submittal of the Letter of Intent will be considered as pre-registration for participation in the pre-proposal conference. Letter of Intent must be submitted on or before March 28, 2019 close of business day (4:00 p.m. AST).

The pre-proposal conference will be held on

Date: April 3rd, 2019

Time: 9:30 a.m.

Place: Sal3n de los Secretarios
Department of Education
150 Calle Federico Acosta
San Juan, PR 00918

IMPORTANT – Please note the PRDE will not provide means for virtual participation.