

AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION/MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT		1. CONTRACT ID CODE	PAGE OF PAGES
2. AMENDMENT/MODIFICATION NO. Amendment #2	3. EFFECTIVE DATE 02/21/2001	4. REQUISITION / PURCHASE REQ. NO.	5. PROJECT NO. (If applicable)
6. ISSUED BY National Institutes of Health Building 13, Room 1S09 13 South Drive Bethesda, Maryland 20892		7. ADMINISTERED BY (If other than Item 6) Lisa Schneider , Contract Specialist	CODE
8. NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONTRACTOR (No. street, city, county, State and ZIP Code)		(X) 9A. AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION NO. X 263-01-P(CW)-0044	9B. DATED (SEE ITEM 11) 01/12/01
CODE		10A. MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT/ORDER NO.	
FACILITY CODE		10B. DATED (SEE ITEM 13)	

11. THIS ITEM ONLY APPLIES TO AMENDMENTS OF SOLICITATIONS

The above numbered solicitation is amended as set forth in Item 14. The hour and date specified for receipt of Offers is extended, is not extended.

Offers must acknowledge receipt of this amendment prior to the hour and date specified in the solicitation or as amended, by one of the following methods:

- (a) By completing Items 8 and 15, and returning 4 copies of the amendment;
- (b) By acknowledging receipt of this amendment on each copy of the offer submitted; or
- (c) By separate letter or telegram which includes a reference to the solicitation and amendment numbers. FAILURE OF YOUR ACKNOWLEDGMENT TO BE RECEIVED AT THE PLACE DESIGNATED FOR THE RECEIPT OF OFFERS PRIOR TO THE HOUR AND DATE SPECIFIED MAY RESULT IN REJECTION OF YOUR OFFER. If by virtue of this amendment you desire to change an offer already submitted, such change may be made by telegram or letter, provided each telegram or letter makes reference to the solicitation and this amendment, and is received prior to the opening hour and date specified.

12. ACCOUNTING AND APPROPRIATION DATA (If required)
NA

**13. THIS ITEM APPLIES ONLY TO MODIFICATIONS OF CONTRACTS/ORDERS.
IT MODIFIES THE CONTRACT/ORDER NO. AS DESCRIBED IN ITEM 14.**

(X)	A. THIS CHANGE ORDER IS ISSUED PURSUANT TO: (Specify authority) THE CHANGES SET FORTH IN ITEM 14 ARE MADE IN THE CONTRACT ORDER NO. IN ITEM 10A.
	B. THE ABOVE NUMBERED CONTRACT/ORDER IS MODIFIED TO REFLECT THE ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES (such as changes in paying office, appropriation date, etc.) SET FORTH IN ITEM 14, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY OF FAR 43.103(b).
	C. THIS SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT IS ENTERED INTO PURSUANT TO AUTHORITY OF:
	D. OTHER (Specify type of modification and authority)

E. IMPORTANT: Contractor is not, is required to sign this document and return 4 copies to the issuing office.

14. DESCRIPTION OF AMENDMENT/MODIFICATION (Organized by UCF section headings, including solicitation/contract subject matter where feasible.)
The purpose of this Amendment is to:

1. Change the bid due date from February 22, 2001 at 2:00 p.m. to February 23, 2001 at 2:00 p.m.
2. Address Questions and Answers dated 2/21/2001(see attached)

Except as provided herein, all terms and conditions of the document referenced in item 9A or 10A, as heretofore changed, remains unchanged and in full force and effect.

15A. NAME AND TITLE OF SIGNER (Type or print)		16A. NAME AND TITLE OF CONTRACTING OFFICER (Type or print)	
15B. CONTRACTOR/OFFEROR	15C. DATE SIGNED	16B. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	16C. DATE SIGNED
<i>(Signature of person authorized to sign)</i>		<i>(Signature of Contracting Officer)</i>	

Questions and Answers for Solicitation 263-01-P(CW)-0044 - 2/21/2001

The following are questions and answers that need to be addressed:

1. Article G.10 Page G5 states the generator SOL 263-01-P(CW)-0044 is subject to the Department of labor wage determination 94-2103. The question I propose is, what is the occupation title for the personnel performing the generator services and repair? Electrician Maintenance or Heavy Equipment Mechanic?

Answer: A determination by the Government on the last contract was as follows: You are to use Machinery Maintenance Mechanic (\$20.51/hr) and Maintenance Trades Helper (\$13.85) on the Service Contract Act Wage Determination dated 6/20/2000. This is mandatory wages you must pay your employees.

2. The Solicitation, Offer and Award form says we need to have an original and 4 copies. Do you need 4 copies of the entire set of documents we are providing? With resumes and certificates, the set will be over 100 pages. If not, what do you need 4 sets of?

Answer: I need 4 copies of everything - we will have at least 3-4 technical people evaluating your package and we need an original for the actual contract.

3. Based on the walk thru we determined about 25% of the units were in poor condition. Some had not had filter changes in 5 years. Some units parts are obsolete. We also did not hear any of the units run. This may result in other problems with the units.

We are very interested in obtaining this contract. However, these are problems we did not expect to see. We were told Advanced Equipment had been caring for the generators, but in some cases they have not done so. We start to wonder if they did not do something as simple as change filters what else will we find when the units are running.

Is NIH making any provision to help the contractor bring all units up to an acceptable level?

Answer: We do not agree with your determination of 25% were in poor condition. All repairs are taken care of as they surface. Maintenance and housekeeping, are the responsibility of the current contractor, and they are taking care of it. These generators are and will be in acceptable condition. After Award there will be a walk thru with the contractor that wins the award and all issues and problems will be taken care of at that time.