INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE DIVISION OF ENGINEERING SERVICE	**PRE-PROPOSAL INQUIRIES** **Solicitation 75H701-26-R-00014**			PROJECT:	**Zuni Cooling Tower Repair by Replacement**
				LOCATION:	**Zuni, NM**
				PROJECT NO:	**AQ22ZS005**
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Amendment A00004 dated 06/25/2026				
1.	RFP	Would it be possible to clarify whether the bond requirement can be changed from a bid bond to a payment bond?	CO	As per Section L.4 and L.10 of the Solicitation, the bid bond is required at the time of the proposal submission. Payment and Performance bonds are required 10 calendar days after award.
2.	RFP	Will the contractor be responsible for providing and maintaining water treatment services for the condenser water throughout the duration of the project?	COR	No, The Preventative Maintenance service provider will be providing services.
3.	RFP	Will the contractor need to service the existing heat exchanger, or is full replacement required? Please clarify.	COR	Yes, Full replacement is required for the heat exchanger.
4.	RFP	Will all cooling tower piping require painting, including both interior and exterior piping systems? Please identify required coating specifications.	COR	Yes, Epoxy paint to be used based on Manufacturers recommendations for application.
5.	RFP	During the site walk it was mentioned that the chilled water pump VFDs are to be replaced. Does this scope also include replacement of the associated chilled water pumps?	COR	No, only the items outlined in the scope of work.
6.	RFP	Does the project scope include replacement of all condenser water piping, including both interior and exterior piping systems?	COR	Only as needed.
7.	RFP	Is welded piping required for the condenser water system, or will grooved/mechanical joint piping be acceptable?	COR	Groove lock is acceptable.
8.	RFP	Is the contractor required to provide temporary cooling tower equipment during the duration of the project to maintain building operations?	COR	Yes, however, if the replacement is done during winter months, then there could be no need for temporary cooling services.

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9.	RFP	Would it be acceptable to abandon the existing cooling tower basin by filling it with concrete and install new cooling towers with integral above-ground sump basins? If acceptable, will IHS provide the required structural and engineering design for this modification?	COR	No, the existing basin will require repairs or total replacement.