TECHNICAL

1. What is the Government's preferred or limiting criteria regarding:

    a. minimum or maximum individual tank size.
    b. the use of more than two tanks per product.
    c. additional buffer capacity above the stated required fill capacity.
    d. whether the full awarded fill capacity for both products must be simultaneously available at all times.

Answer:

a. minimum or maximum individual tank size. **No preference**
b. the use of more than two tanks per product. **No preference**
c. additional buffer capacity above the stated required fill capacity. **Additional storage is not needed, only the storage amount specified in PWS Paragraph 1.3 is required**.
d. whether the full awarded fill capacity for both products must be simultaneously available at all times. **Please clarify, simultaneously available.**

CONTRACTING

SCHEDULE, READINESS, AND DELAYS

1. If we cannot deliver the storage facility within 18 months and the operation start date is delayed for say 6 months, would that reduce our contract period by 6 months? Or are we allowed to compress our contract value to account for the 6 months lost due to delay? Or are we going to get an extension of 6 months?

Answer: The contract period could be reduced, and payment would reflect the delay. An extension may be considered; however, both the reduction or the extension will be determined on a case-by-case basis.

2. Assuming the contractor is delayed by six months, will the delay reduce the performance period (i.e., the contractor earns revenue for only three years instead of 3.5 years)?

Answer: Yes, the contract period would be reduced, and payment would reflect the delay.

3. Will the contractor be penalized if it fails to deliver within 18 months? If so, what are the possible penalties?

Answer: Should the contractor fail to deliver the operational facility within 18 months, the penalties may include but are not limited to the loss of revenue and negative CPARS ratings. Period of performance will begin once the facility has been inspected and accepted by DLA.

SOLICITATION AMENDMENTS AND SITE LOCATIONS

4. If the award date is further extended, are we allowed to revise our price as market conditions would change with such delays?

Answer: Price revisions occur with the request of final proposal revisions. We may consider revisions if we go beyond the 180 day award period and have already concluded negotiations.