

OFFICIAL RESPONSES TO VENDOR QUESTIONS

	Question	Response
1	Is the Offeror responsible for selecting facilities?	The Offeror must have sufficient clinical laboratories with the appropriate NYS and Federal permits required to perform all services described in the IFB.
2	Is the Offerer responsible to ensure the laboratories have valid permits?	Yes, per section 1.4 E of the IFB, page 6.
3	What is considered sufficient amount of facilities in NYS?	The Offeror must have enough facilities across the geographic locations listed on pages 21-23 of the IFB to complete the estimated services/work load estimate (pages 5-6).
4	Need more clarity regarding WMBE goals. Does Offerer have to be WMBE certified to be considered to Bid? Does DBE certified enterprise be qualified to submit IFB?	There are zero MWBE Goals assigned to this procurement. An Offeror does not need to be MWBE or DBE certified to bid.
5	Regarding facilities location, will the Offerer team perform test onsite location? Should the proposal include location or will the agency address location upon approval? Clarify the process.	The expectation is that the Offeror's team will perform tests at the Offeror's locations. Within the Offeror's proposal, the Offeror must include the Offeror's laboratory locations.
6	Is the Offerer responsible for the construction and secure a at the listed locations? Or are the listed sites available to provide services?	If the Offeror does not already have sites, then the Offeror would be responsible for construction of or securing of already constructed sites in each of the geographic regions/locations listed.
7	Does the Offerer must have an operating facility or EHS will provide space to operate service?	The Offeror is responsible for operating and maintaining their own facilities.
8	Does the selected Project Manager be hired under Offerer budget? Is the Project Manager considered a person who liason between Offerer and EHS?	Yes, the Offeror must appoint and maintain a qualified and experienced Project Manager acceptable to the Department, at the Offeror's own expense. The Project Manager is expected serve as a liaison between the Offeror and the Department of Civil Service/EHS.