

W56HZV-13-R-0452 Questions and Answers	
Questions from Industry	Government Answers
Q.1 Is the Army planning to address disposition of the removed hardware as part of the scope in the pending RFP?	A.1 Disposition instructions are contained in the MWOs and the scope of work.
Q.2 Attachments 0011i and 0011j refer to specification 12520466: Can this specification be provided so that the offerer can work towards being an approved source of supply for these items?	A.2 Attachment 0011k 12520466 CIDS Torsion Bar has been added to the RFP in amendment 0002.
Q.3 Attachment 0017a: Only the top level drawing is provided. The offerer needs the entire drawing package to develop the costs to supply. Can the Government provide the additional drawings?	A.3 The following drawings were added in amendment 0002: Pivot Arm Assy (12520471), Spacer (12297034) and Support Housing Assembly (12520469) as Attachments 0017h, 0017w, and 0017i, respectively.
Q.4 Attachment 0011 (MWO 9-2350-408-55-4 that was provided in the draft RFP) is missing from the TDP. Should there have been an Attach 0011 with the released RFP?	A.4 Attachment 0011 was uploaded to FBO.gov limited access website on Friday Jan. 3rd.
Q.5 Technical Manuals: Can current versions of the technical manuals for the Bradley Vehicle Systems be provided as part of the TDP?	A.5 Technical Manuals will not be added to the RFP. Any information needed can be found on the drawings and the MWOs.
Q.6 Attachment 0026: Paragraph 3 refers to Attach 0011 as MWO 9-2350-408-55-2 (Heavy Weight Torsion Bar). Should this be MWO 9-2350-408-55-4 or is the reference to Attach 0014?	A.6 Attachment 0026 has been updated in amendment 0002, the correct MWO is MWO 9-2350-408-55-4.
Q.7 Is a drawing package available for these parts (Track Assy, Right (P/N 12496800-82) and Track Assy, Left (P/N 12496800-84) or is the intent to have the offerer purchase these as complete assemblies?	A.7 The following drawings are added in amendment 0002: Pad Nut (124888246, Atch 0008t), Pad Plate Assy (12496786, Atch 0008u), Track Pin (12496791, Atch 0008v), Track Block (12496793, Atch 0008w), End Connector (12496794, Atch 0008x), Center Guide Wedge (12496795, Atch 0008y), Center Guide (12496796, Atch 0008z), Center Guide Cap (12496797, Atch 0008aa), Shock Guard (12496798, Atch 0008ab), End Connector Puller Base (12555907, Atch 0008ac), End Connector Puller Screw (12555908, Atch 0008ad), End Connector Puller (12555909, Atch 0008ae)
Q.8a Can the Government provide the following drawings for proposal preparation? T161 Track System - Rough Parts List with available numbers 12367399 Suspension Installation 12496780 Sprocket Wheel Segment 12496781 Sprocket Wheel Segment 12496782 Bumper 12496783 Bumper 12496798 Bumper 12496800-82 Track Assy, Right 12496800-84 Track Assy, Left 12496800-1 Track Shoe	A.8a The following drawings have been added to RFP as new attachments in amendment 0002: 12367399 attachment 0008k, 12496780 attachment 0008l, 12496781 attachment 0008m, 12496782 attachment 0008n, 12496783 attachment 0008o, 12496798 attachment 0008p, 124996800-82, 84 and 1 attachment 0008q Drawing 12496800 contains part numbers 12496800-1, 12496800-82 and 12496800-84

<p>Q.8b Can the Government provide the following drawings for the Torsion Bars - Rough Parts List with available numbers for proposal preparation? 12520466 Torsion Bar Specification 2586895 Washer, Triangle 12296766-2 Ring, Retaining 12296921 Seal</p>	<p>A.8b The following drawings have been added to RFP as new attachments in amendment 0002: 12520466 attachment 0011k 2586895 attachment 0011l, 12296766 attachment 0011m, 12296921 attachment 0011n</p>
<p>Q.8c Can the Government provide the following drawings for the Vehicle Shock Absorber - Rough Parts List with available numbers for proposal preparation? 12520484 Seal 12369310 Preformed Packing</p>	<p>A. 8c The following drawings have been added to RFP as new attachments in amendment 0002: 12520484 attachment 0014e, 12369310 attachment 0014f</p>
<p>Q. 8d Can the Government provide the following drawings for the Suspension Support Assembly - Rough Parts List with available numbers for proposal preparation? 12520471-1 or -2 Pivot Arm Assembly 12520469 Support Housing Assembly 12328726 Nut 12328725 Nut 12296935 Hub Assembly 12296926 Hub Cap 10910174-3 Washer 12358858 Bearing Assy 12369947 Lock Nut 12298300 Washer 12350941 Bearing Assy 12296715 Seal Assy 12295554-5 Seal 11669450 Seal Assy - Arm Assy to Support Housing Assy 10863380 Washer - Special</p>	<p>A. 8d The following drawings have been added to RFP as new attachments in amendment 0002: 12520471 attachment 0017h, 12520469 attachment 0017i, 12328726 attachment 0017j, 12328725 attachment 0017k, 12296935 attachment 0017l, 12296926 attachment 0017m, 10910174 attachment 0017n, 12358858 attachment 0017o 12369947 attachment 0017p 12298300 attachment 0017q 12350941 attachment 0017r 12296715 attachment 0017s 12295554 attachment 0017t 11669450 attachment 0017u 10863380 attachment 0017v Drawing 12520471 contains part numbers 12520471-1, 12520471-2</p>
<p>Q. 8e Can the Government provide the following drawings for the Basic Issue Items (BII) - Rough Parts List needed with available numbers for proposal preparation? 12555909 End Connector Puller</p>	<p>A. 8e The following drawings have been added to RFP as new attachments in amendment 0002: 12555909 attachment 0008ae</p>
<p>Q.9 Section C9 does not cover the parts listed below. What the expected disposition is of these parts? B1821BG063C175N Screw 44 12496801 T161 Track System B1821BG063C325N Screw 24 12496801 T161 Track System B1821BG063C375N Screw 2 12496801 T161 Track System B1821BG063C200N Screw 4 12496801 T161 Track System 12296921 Seal 8 12556023 Vehicle Shock Absorber 12296931-1 Support Assembly 6 12520481 Vehicle Suspension Road Arm System 12296931-2 Support Assembly 6 12520481 Vehicle Suspension Road Arm System</p>	<p>A. 9 Any and all material that shall be removed and discarded per the installation instruction drawings shall be discarded per local command policy which may include recycle or trash, i.e. nuts, bolts, washers, seals.</p>

<p>Q. 10 Can the Government provide the following drawings for proposal preparation?</p> <p>57K6723 REPAIR KIT, TRACK GUIDE B1821BH063F163N SCREW, CAP, HEX HEAD 2 12496797 CAP, GUIDE 1 12496796 GUIDE, TRACK 1</p> <p>57K6724 REPAIR KIT, END CONNECTOR B1821BH063F125N SCREW, CAP, HEX HEAD 1 12496795 WEDGE, TRACK 1 12496794 CONNECTOR, PIN END, TRACK 1</p> <p>57K6725 REPAIR KIT, TRACK PAD 12496785 PAD ASSEMBLY 2 12488246 NUT, SELF-LOCKING 2 12555909 END CONNECTOR PULLER 12496793 TRACK BLOCK 12496786 PAD PLATE ASSEMBLY 12496791 TRACK PIN</p>	<p>A. 10 The following drawings have been added to RFP as new attachments in amendment 0002:</p> <p>12496797 CAP, GUIDE 1-attachment 0008aa 12496796 GUIDE, TRACK 1-attachment 0008z 12496795 WEDGE, TRACK 1-attachment 0008y 12496794 CONNECTOR, PIN END, TRACK 1-attachment 0008x 12496785 PAD ASSEMBLY 2 - attachment 0008af 12488246 NUT, SELF-LOCKING 2-attachment 0008t 12555909 END CONNECTOR PULLER - attachment 0008ae 12496786 PAD 12496793 TRACK BLOCK-attachment 0008w 12496791 TRACK PIN- PLATE ASSEMBLY- attachment 0008u attachment 0008v</p> <p>These drawings are unavailable for release due to licensing restrictions. B1821BH063F125N SCREW, CAP, HEX HEAD 1 B1821BH063F163N SCREW, CAP, HEX HEAD 2</p>
<p>Q. 11 Can the Contracting Officer confirm that a DD254 is not required?</p>	<p>A. 11 It is confirmed that a DD 254 is not required.</p>
<p>Q. 12 The provisions for cost or pricing data (even if not certified) required in section L.5 of the RFP will lead to additional costs in preparing the proposal. The information requested is not required in the FAR. The spirit and intent of the FAR in regards to the provision of information is spoken to in FAR 15.402(a)(3) (“... Contracting officers shall not require unnecessarily the submission of cost or pricing data because it leads to increased proposal preparation costs, generally extends acquisition lead time, and consumes additional contractor and government resources.”). The L.5 requirements appear to not align with this spirit and intent, particularly because the Order of Importance in M.4.2 states that non-Price Factors (eg: Experience Factor, Technical Factor) are significantly more important than the Price Factor. The nature of data other than certified cost or pricing data is addressed in FAR 15.403-3. Section (a) encourages the Contracting Officer to seek sources of information that are less burdensome to prepare than the equivalent of certified cost or pricing data. The amount of information required in the RFP in section L.5 appears to be the equivalent of certified cost or pricing data, and we question whether it is necessary to provide this substantial amount of information in order for the Contracting Officer to make an award decision. Additionally, our understanding of the RFP is that the Contracting Officer anticipates adequate price competition from multiple responses to the RFP. FAR 15.403-3(b) (Adequate Price Competition) states that generally no additional data is necessary to determine reasonableness of price when there is adequate price competition. Question: Can the Contracting Officer confirm that the requirements in section L.5 are valid in light of are above comments?</p>	<p>A.12 The requirements in L.5 are valid.</p>

<p>Q. 13 Section L.5.4 of the RFP states that "Each Offeror is responsible for submitting a complete proposal including subcontractor information for subcontractors over \$12.5M by the solicitation close date. Sub-contractor proposals should include data specified in Section L.5.3 ...". However, there is no provision in the RFP for situations where adequate price competition exists for proposed subcontracts in the prime contract proposal. In situations where certified cost or pricing data is required, it is not necessary to provide detailed subcontract pricing/costing information when adequate price competition is the basis for the proposed subcontract value (FAR 15.408, Table 15-2 section II "Cost Elements", section A "Material and Services", (1) "Adequate Price Competition"). Question: In the event that adequate price competition is available for any subcontract over \$12.5M, will it be necessary to submit detailed subcontract costs/pricing information, or will the details of the adequate price competition analysis be sufficient?</p>	<p>A.13 Yes, the detailed cost or price subcontracting information in L.5.4 is required.</p>
<p>Q. 14 Regarding the proposal volumes required for the ECP1 solicitation, are they to be provided in MS Word with the attachments filled in? We didn't notice a requirement for that, or page limitations either.</p>	<p>A.14 Refer to L.1.1 for the link to the information on proper media format and L.5.2.2. The RFP doesn't specify a page requirement.</p>
<p>Q.15 Section L.5.4 of the RFP requires that cost/price data be submitted for subcontracts greater than \$12.5M in the format specified in section L.5.3. However, subcontractors may not be willing to provide cost or pricing data to us due to open competitive bids with other contractors. Additionally, subcontractors may be preparing their own separate bid for the prime contract, and again may not be willing to provide cost or pricing data to us. Finally, because this is not a TINA covered proposal, there is no specific FAR based requirement for the subcontractor to provide the cost/pricing data to us or the Contracting Officer. Question: How will the Contracting Officer ensure that we are not considered to be non-responsive if the subcontractor chooses to not provide the cost/pricing data to us or the Contracting Officer?</p>	<p>A.15 The information required in Section L.5.4 is considered other than cost/price data (not certified). The RFP states in Section L.5.4 that the information can be submitted directly to the US Government which should alleviate any concerns about open competitive bids with other contractors. This information will not be shared outside the Government. Please contact the Contracting Officer in the event a subcontractor will not provide the required information.</p>
<p>Q. 16 Because this is an IDIQ proposal, there are ranges of pricing for different potential quantities. The price for a subcontract may be below the \$12.5M threshold noted in section L.5.4 of the RFP if the Expected Quantity is actually procured, while the threshold may be exceeded if the Maximum Quantity is procured. We do not believe it is appropriate to incur costs and consume resources to obtain the requested cost or pricing data if the subcontract for the Expected Quantity will be below the \$12.5M threshold. Question: Will we be considered non-responsive if we do not provide subcontract cost or pricing data because we applied the \$12.5M threshold to the Expected Quantity, not the Maximum Quantity?</p>	<p>A.16 The subcontract threshold of \$12.5M is inclusive of all CLINs in the contract. An amendment is forthcoming to clarify these thresholds in Section L.5.3. For Vehicle quantities (CLINs 0011-0014), the Government will use the weighted average in Attachment 1 for evaluation purposes. Attachment 1 references an estimated quantity for each CLIN (the sums of all CLIN estimated quantities equals the total vehicle quantity of 1,080). Therefore it is not clear what the "Expected Quantity" means in this question. If this answer does not suffice, please clarify and resubmit your question.</p>

<p>Q. 17 Regarding section L.5.3.1, what vehicle quantity basis should a bidder use in determining whether the \$12.5M subcontract threshold or the \$100,000 High Dollar Material Value threshold has been exceeded? Is it the minimum order buy guaranteed of 120 vehicles?</p>	<p>A. 17 No. The subcontract threshold of \$12.5M and the \$100,000 High Dollar Value Material thresholds is inclusive of all CLINs in the contract. An amendment is forthcoming to clarify this definition in Section L.5.4. For Vehicle quantities (CLINs 0011-0014), the Government will use the weighted average in Attachment 1 for evaluation purposes. Attachment 1 references an estimated quantity for each CLIN (the sum of all CLIN estimated quantities equals the total vehicle quantity of 1,080).</p>
<p>Q.18 Training Support Package: Attachment 0006 (GFM/GFI) lists the POI for T-161 Track and the TSP as resources for delivery of NET and Training Materials. Can the TSP and POI be provided to ensure fulfillment of the PWS requirements listed in paragraphs C.7.6 and C.7.7 and ensure accurate estimating of pricing for associated CLINs?</p>	<p>A.18 Yes, Attachment 0006a T161 Track Training Support Package and Program of Instruction has been added to the RFP in amendment 0003.</p>
<p>Q. 19 L.5.3.1 Material Cost. All components and non-Major Subcontracts (Less than \$12.5M). (See Section 5.4 for sub-contractors over \$12.5M). Provide a narrative that explains the method used to develop proposed cost, including information about the extent to which the cost is based on vendor quotes, purchase order history, estimates, etc. Indicate whether the amount includes upward or downward adjustments for contingencies or negotiation challenges and supporting rationale. Question: Can the Contracting Officer provide clarification that L.5.3.1 is applicable to just the Prime Contractor and that the level of detail requested does not flow down to all the non-major subcontracts?</p>	<p>A. 19 Section 5.3.1 is applicable to the Prime Contractor and Major Subcontractors (as discussed in Section L.5.4) and does not "flow down" to non-Major Subcontractors. However as discussed in Section L.5.3.1 the Prime is responsible for providing information to support the proposed non-Major Subcontractors costs.</p>

<p>Q.20 L.5.4 Each Offeror is responsible for submitting a complete proposal including subcontractor information for subcontractors over \$12.5M by the solicitation close date. Sub-contractor proposals should include data specified in Section L.5.3 above. Subcontractors may contact the PCO, Ms. Doreen Costa, at Doreen.j.costa.civ@mail.mil, for further information and instruction regarding subcontractor proposal submission. The Government will not communicate with any subcontractor directly to request information or to clarify information received. Failure of the subcontractor to submit the necessary cost or pricing data to the Government, prior to the solicitation close date, shall render the prime Offeror non-responsive. Question: Can the Contracting Officer confirm that the \$12.5M is calculated using the guaranteed minimum quantity? If not, what range/quantity/ordering period should be used to determine the subcontractor dollar value?</p>	<p>A. 20 See Amendment 0003 for clarification on definition of threshold. If this does not answer your question, please clarify and resubmit a revised question.</p>
<p>Q.21 We have reviewed and determined that the drawings requested to date were provided, however, the new drawings provided reveal additional lower level detail drawings that are still needed to competitively bid the suspension road arm and track kits. Will the Government provide these additional drawings? 1250473-1 Arm Assembly 1250473-2 Arm Assembly Road Arm Spindle (for Road Wheel) Tapered Pin - Attachment Point for Shock Absorber Trunion & Other Parts Contained in Assy 1250473 12276657 Housing 12520479-1 Outboard Bearing 12520479-1 Inboard Bearing & Other Parts Contained in this Assy 12296935-1 Hub 12295542-3 Bolt & Other Subass'ys and Parts Contained in this Assy 12295289 Housing - Hub Cap 12296766-3 Ring 12295552 Indicator (Sight Glass) Any Other Parts Contained in this Assy 12496787 Pad Plate 12496788 Square Neck Bolt</p>	<p>A. 21 Any drawings listed that do not contain specific part numbers will not be provided. If these drawings are still required, provided the part number in a follow up question. Part Numbers 1250473-1 and -2: The part number referenced is incorrect. The correct part number should be 12520473. That drawing has been added as Attachment 00017x. Part Number 12276657: This drawing will not be provided since this part will be replaced by ECP1. Part Number 12520479-1 and -2: These drawings were already provided as Attachment 00017g. Part Number 12296935: This drawing was already provided as Attachment 00017l. Part Number 12295542: That drawing has been added as Attachment 00017y. Part Number 12295289: That drawing has been added as Attachment 00017z. Part Number 12296766: That drawing was already provided at Attachment 0011m. Part Number 12295552: That drawing has been added as Attachment 0017aa. Part Number 12496787: That drawing has been added as Attachment 0008ag. Part Number 12496788: That drawing has been added at Attachment 0008ah. Additionally, Quality Assurance Provisions for the Housing Hub Cap, Hub Roadwheel, and Bolt have been added as Attachments 00017ab, 00017ac, and 00017ad, respectively.</p>

<p>Q. 22 On Attachment 0020, Small Business (SB) Participation Factor Submittal, the SUB \$ Tab, SB SUB LIST Tab, and CON Tab include the requirement for contractors to exclude various subcontracting dollars. However, on the ROLL-UP tab, the excluded dollars mentioned above (Cell =Roll-up!G18) are included in the sum for the Total Contract Amount (Cell = Roll-up!G7). The Total Contract Amount Cell is the denominator to calculate the SB and Small Disadvantage Business (SDB) percentages in Cells =Roll-up!G25, =Roll-up!H25, and =Roll-up!I25. This appears to contradict the initial reason to separately capture exclusions. As a result, the SB and SDB percentages are misrepresented since any SB awards that the contractors were previously instructed to exclude are not in the Total SB Subcontract dollars (SUB \$ Tab) thereby reducing the final calculated SB and SDB participation factor percentages. Question: Can the Contracting Officer review the formula and determine whether the Excluded dollars should or should not be in the sum of the Total Contract Amount (Cell = Roll-up!G7)?</p>	<p>A. 22 The Excluded Dollars should be in the sum for the Total Contract Amount. The Excluded Dollars have to be separately captured for these reasons: 1. Based on SBA rules, the Excluded Dollars are to be excluded from the SB and SDB Subcontracting Dollars (numerator) as well as All Subcontracting Dollars (denominator) in the Small Business Subcontracting Plan. 2. To be consistent with the SB and SDB Subcontracting Dollars in the Small Business Subcontracting Plan, the Excluded Dollars are also excluded from the SB and SDB Subcontracting Dollars (numerator) in the Small Business Participation Factor. The difference between the Small Business Subcontracting Plan and the Small Business Participation Factor is in the denominator as explained in L.6.6. The denominator for the Small Business Participation Factor is Total Contract Amount, which must include the Excluded Dollars to be consistent with the Sum of the Total Evaluated CLIN Prices for 0011 – 0014. The government recognizes this will result in lower percentage goals for SB and SDB than if the Excluded Dollars were not added into the Total Contract Amount and took this into account when developing goals listed in Section M.9.</p>
<p>Q.23 Regarding L.5.3.4: The language “as applicable” suggests conditions could dictate that this section is not required for the proposal submission. In reviewing requirements for the CASB Disclosure Statement-1 (Rev 2/96), page (i) paragraph 1 under General Instructions refers to Section 9903.202 of Chapter 99 of Title 48 CFR (48 CFR 9903.202). In reviewing 9903.202-1 (a), it states “The submission of a new or revised Disclosure Statement is not required for any non-CAS covered contract or from any small business concern”. For this solicitation, if an Offeror is deemed a small business in accordance with NAICS 336992, is it appropriate to conclude that L.5.3.4 is not a requirement for the proposal submission? If portions of L.5.3.4 is still required for the proposal submission, please specify by commenting on sub-items (a) through (g).</p>	<p>A. 23 Section L.5.3.4 applies to all Offerors including a Small Business. Items (a) through (g) are items to be included in an Offeror’s documentation of their proposed rates. However, the request for a Disclosure Statement in Item (a) does not apply to a Small Business.</p>
<p>Q. 24 Is a BOE required for each range within each CLIN that has multiple “Range of Quantity Ordered” in attachment 1, or is it acceptable to provide a BOE only for the estimated CLIN quantity? This specifically applies to CLINS 0011 through 0014. For example, for CLIN 0011, would a BOE for the estimated order quantity of 360 only be compliant for the proposal submission?</p>	<p>A. 24 Yes, a BOE is required for each range within a CLIN. As discussed in Section M.8.1, the Evaluated Price is based on a summation of the proposed weighted unit prices for each range.</p>
<p>Q.25 Where detailed pricing information is required by CLIN, can it be provided for the estimated order quantity only for each year (CLINS 0011 through 0014), or is detailed pricing information required for all six order quantity ranges within each CLIN?</p>	<p>A. 25 Section L.5.3 requests data other than Certified Cost or Pricing Data for all proposed prices, which includes proposed range pricing.</p>

<p>Q. 26 Can Trunnion part number 12520476, listed on drawing 12520473 provided today, be provided?</p>	<p>Q. 26 Yes, drawing 12520473 is provided as attachment 17ae per amendment 0005.</p>
<p>Q. 27 Page 21 of 88, Section C.8. The contractor shall perform a 10 kilometer road test on each vehicle to coincide with the vehicle baseline inspection in accordance with installation policies to verify that the MWO kits are installed properly. The contractor shall provide the necessary equipment operators and ground guides for vehicle operations.</p> <p>Question: Will the USG provide escort and recovery vehicle support to the contractor during as required?</p>	<p>A. 27 The contractor will not be required to provide escort or recovery support. The Government will negotiate the requirement and support needed from the unit during the New Material Introductory Brief (NMIB).</p>
<p>Q. 28 Attachment 0007, Facility Diagram. Attachment 0007 lists office space as "desk & space for 2."</p> <p>Question: Given provided space for "2" and the scope of the deliverables at the inspection and maintenance points, is it acceptable for the contractor to maintain a small mobile trailer for additional administrative office space in proximity to the maintenance location in order to effectively manage property management, fielding, quality, records, etc. at each US Army installation?</p>	<p>A. 28 The Government does not have an issue; however, the final determination will have to be negotiated during the NMIB as adequate power and/or infrastructure may not support the use of a mobile trailer.</p>
<p>Q.29 Section C.3. The contractor shall comply with all Federal, State, and local environmental laws, regulations, and policies.</p> <p>Question: Will the USG provide the contractor HAZMAT cleaning material for spills resulting from hydraulic and/or final drive components?</p>	<p>A. 29 No, only the facility to dispose of HAZMAT material will be provided by the Government.</p>
<p>Q. 30 Attachment 0007, Facility Diagram. Attachment 0007 lists Hazmat storage/waste reclaim point will be provided by the USG to the contractor.</p> <p>Question: A reclaim point is provided; however, will the contractor incur any disposal costs for using the reclaim point unique to each US Army installation?</p>	<p>A.30 No, the contractor will not be responsible for incurring costs for disposal of any material on the installation.</p>
<p>Q.31 Page 20 of 88, Section C.4. The Government will not provide any Basic Issue Items (BII) and Special Tools and Test Equipment (STTE) listed under paragraph 9 in each MWO document during the performance and application of kits.</p> <p>Question: Will the USG consider providing the unit's BII and STTE as listed in applicable MWOs in order to reduce MWO installation costs by the contractor?</p>	<p>A. 31 No, the Government is not providing any BII or STTE as stated in paragraph C.4.</p>

<p>Q.32 Page 35 of 88, Section I-49, FAR 52.228-7, Insurance—Liability to Third Persons.</p> <p>Question: This clause is prescribed for Cost Reimbursable contracts (FAR 28-310). Contract resulting from this solicitation will be Firm Fixed Price. Should the referenced clause be deleted and replaced with FAR 52.228-5, Insurance—Work On A Government Installation (Jan/1997)?</p>	<p>A.32 Per amendment 0005 FAR clause 52.228-7 has been deleted and 52.228-5 has been added.</p>
<p>Q.33 Is there a certain form or format we need to provide data to support Section L.5.4 in?</p>	<p>A.33 The Offeror should provide supporting documentation in sufficient detail to permit a complete evaluation of the proposed costs and prices. As specified in Section L.5.2.2 "All Spreadsheets must be in Microsoft Excel 07 format and include all formulas, function, macros, computations or equations used to compute the proposed amounts. Print image is not acceptable. For each workbook, all Rows, Columns, Cells and Worksheets must be Visible. Zero height/zero width rows/columns in Worksheets are not acceptable. Worksheet cells formatted with the font color equal to the fill color are unacceptable. If Workbooks or Worksheets are password protected, then the passwords must be provided. Print image files or pictures or files containing only values are not acceptable. Supporting narrative, including Basis of Estimate (BOE) sheets, shall be provided in files which are MS Excel or MS Word 2007 compatible. BOEs may not be submitted as pictures. Text or spreadsheets used as supporting rationale within a BOE may not be included as a picture."</p>
<p>Q.34 The torsion bar specification requires a 6,000 mile durability test. Can you provide the duration in months that we should plan on for the Army to run this test?</p>	<p>A.34 Amendment 0005 removes the CIDS Torsion Bar as attachment 0011k 12520466, and adds it pursuant to Section C.5.4 as GFI for quality assurance purposes only. The 6,000 mile durability test is not a requirement for this RFP since there is a qualified source for this part. In order for a supplier to become a qualified source, it is anticipated that it would take approximately 12 months to complete necessary paperwork and test plans, and another year for vehicle testing. This also presumes the potential supplier provides the hardware for testing and the funding to perform the test.</p>
<p>Q.35 Page 20 of 88, Section C.7.1. The contractor shall perform a 10 kilometer road test prior to the joint inspection in accordance with the Functional Inspection Checklist (Attachment 0003) between the contractor and the unit representative.</p> <p>Question: Will minimum criteria be established in regards to the induction inspection to include specific acceptance or rejection requirements, i.e. vehicle minimum fuel level, and will this joint inspection be monitored and arbitrated as necessary by Government Quality Assurance personnel?</p>	<p>A.35 There are no specific minimum acceptance or rejection requirements. If the contractor meets the inspection list and both parties agree, there is no issue. If an issue arises, the PCO will serve as the mediator, as stated in paragraph C.7.1. Regarding the fuel levels: Military vehicles are required to be topped-off at all times. We will coordinate/confirm the fuel levels at the NMIB.</p>

<p>Q.36 Page 20 of 88, Section C.7.1. The contractor shall perform a 10-kilometer road test prior to the joint inspection in accordance with the Functional Inspection Checklist (Attachment 0003) between the contractor and the unit representative to establish a vehicle baseline and record all faults with the mounting surfaces and attachment points of the Track Kits, Torsion Bar Kits, Shock Absorber Kits, and Road arm mount Kits, prior to MWO installation. Once vehicles are in contractor possession, the contractor shall be responsible for any logistical movement of the vehicle from the inspection point to the maintenance point (typically not to exceed 5 miles).</p> <p>Question: What is the USG's process if there are no visible faults with "mounting surfaces and attachment points" cited during the joint inspection but realized only after an item is removed by the contractor at the "maintenance point"?</p>	<p>A.36 The contractor shall document the fault and report it immediately to the COR for resolution.</p>
<p>Q.37 Page 20 of 88, Section C.4. A list of Government Furnished Material and Government Furnished Information (GFM and GFI) that will be provided to the contractors included in Attachment 0006. The Government MWO Coordinator will ship the GFM to the contractor at each Brigade location for use. The Government will not provide any Basic Issue Items (BII) and Special Tools and Test Equipment (STTE) listed under paragraph 9 in each MWO document during the performance and application of kits. The contractor shall apply the GFM if the part becomes lost, broken, or unserviceable. The contractor shall retain the unused parts and transfer them to the next unit until exhausted or dispositioned.</p> <p>Question: Please clarify what the USG means by, "The contractor shall apply the GFM if the part becomes lost, broken, or unserviceable."</p>	<p>A.37 The GFM parts are intended to replace hardware that is lost, broken, or unserviceable, and is not common to the MWO kits. Example: For the Torsion Bar replacement, the contractor is required to remove the torsion bar cap on the Roadarm. This cap is not part of the torsion bar or roadarm kits. If the cap is broken or lost, the contractor is required to utilize the cap from the GFM kit to replace it.</p>
<p>Q. 38 Page 21 of 88, Section C.7.7., Training Material and Documentation. For each NET course, the contractor shall reproduce and deliver 120 copies of the Government-Furnished POI and TSP for each Brigade. Question: Does the Government intend to provide a PowerPoint presentation to accompany the TSP? Or is it the intent for the contractor to develop that presentation from the TSP? In addition, would only the TSP or both the TSP and PowerPoint be required as a printed deliverable IAW CLIN 51.</p>	<p>A. 38 No, the Government does not intend to provide a PowerPoint presentation to accompany the TSP. No, the contractor is not expected to develop the PowerPoint presentation. No, the PowerPoint is not a deliverable IAW CLIN 0051.</p>
<p>Q.39 Support Assembly, Suspension components: The following parts are identified as components of the Support Assembly based on the newest set of attachments provided. Please provide drawings for these items to ensure full compliance with approved sources of supply and allow for proper pricing: 12276718-1 (Arm, Pivot), 12276718-2 (Arm, Pivot), 12520476 (Trunnion), 12296925 (Spindle), 12297029 (Pin, Shock), 12276657 (Housing), 1250470-2 (Bearing, Inboard), 1250470-2 (Bearing, Outboard), 12328726 (Nut), 12328725 (Nut).</p>	<p>Q.39 Drawing 12520476 (Trunnion) has been provided as Attachment 0017ae in Amendment 0005. The remaining drawings: 12328726 (Nut) and 12328725 (Nut) 12276718-1 (Arm, Pivot), 12276718-2 (Arm, Pivot), 12296925 (Spindle), 12297029 (Pin, Shock), 12276657 (Housing), 1250470-2 (Bearing, Inboard), and 1250470-2 (Bearing, Outboard), are legacy subcomponents of the Roadarm assembly and will be removed and replaced with the ECP1 roadarm assembly. Therefore, the USG does not intend to provide those drawings because we do not agree they are required for compliance with approved source of supply or to allow for proper pricing. Please resubmit your question referencing specific RFP citations (SOW, Attachment Number, Drawing number, etc) if you still believe this to be necessary for compliance of approved sources of supply.</p>

<p>Q. 40 Disposition of Materials: RFP Paragraph C.9.1 requires the contractor to turn-in items through the SSA. This will require banding, packaging, and cataloging/tagging of these items to ensure compliance with SSA storage and accountability requirements. Please provide SSA packing configuration requirements for the following items: 12359466-3 (Track Assy, Right), 12359466-4 (Track Assy, Left), and 12369308 (Shock Absorber).</p>	<p>A.40 The individual SSA requirements are not yet defined. For planning purposes, offerors may use Military Handbook MIL-HDBK-774A as a guide to pallets and banding material for all the items listed (Track and Shocks), but final disposition is in accordance with the local SOPs . A copy of the local SOPs will be negotiated during the NMIB to clarify the turn-in standards.</p>
<p>Q.41 Disposition of Materials: RFP Paragraph C.9.2 and C.9.3 requires the contractor to scrap items which may require demilitarization. Demilitarization may require mutilation/destruction of materials prior to turning into local DRMO sites. Please provide demilitarization requirements for the following part numbers: 12367398-1 (Torsion Bar), 12367398-2 (Torsion Bar), 12367398-3 (Torsion Bar), 12367398-4 (Torsion Bar), 12295277 (Sprocket), 12384668 (Carrier), 12293205 (Guard), 12317168 (Guard), 12293208 (Guard), and 12316775 (Guard).</p>	<p>A. 40 See revised C.9 language per amendment 0006.</p>
<p>Q. 42 Disposition of Support Arm Assemblies: MWO 9-2350-408-55-3 requires disposition of components removed during the application of the MWO. Please provide guidance required disposition of the Support Arm Assemblies, part numbers 12296931-1 and 12296931-2. These items were not listed in paragraphs C.9 through C.9.3. Please provide guidance on PM-ABCT's disposition requirements for these items.</p>	<p>A. 42 See revised C.9 language per amendment 0006.</p>

<p>Q.43 L.5.4 Each Offeror is responsible for submitting a complete proposal including subcontractor information for subcontractors over \$12.5M by the solicitation close date. Sub-contractor proposals should include data specified in Section L.5.3 above. Subcontractors may contact the PCO, Ms. Doreen Costa, at Doreen.j.costa.civ@mail.mil, for further information and instruction regarding subcontractor proposal submission. The Government will not communicate with any subcontractor directly to request information or to clarify information received. Failure of the subcontractor to submit the necessary cost or pricing data to the Government, prior to the solicitation close date, shall render the prime Offeror non-responsive.</p> <p>Question: Is a subcontractor required to submit their information directly to the Government? If so, by what means?</p>	<p>A.43 To clarify, if a subcontractor did not wish to provide the level of detailed information (Refer to Section L.5 of RFP) required by this solicitation directly to the prime for any reason, the subcontractor could contact the PCO for instructions on where they can submit it directly to the Government. This is an option available, but not mandated direction to directly submit to the Government. If the subcontractor wishes to submit information in the detail and format required directly to the Government, there are a couple of options:</p> <p>1) The information can be emailed directly to Robin Jedrzejek, who is the contract specialist for this action. Her email is robin.a.jedrzejek.civ@mail.mil</p> <p>Please put in the header: W56HZV13R0452 SubK Proposal Information</p> <p>The information needs to be in the same required formatting as indicated in the RFP, and https://contracting.tacom.army.mil/acqinfo/ebidnotice.htm . However the file size of any email(s) should be limited to 7MB or less, if possible. If multiple files are being submitted that exceed this amount, please break them into multiple emails indicating how many emails will be received (i.e. email 1 of X, email 2 of x) in the subject header.</p> <p>*Please note that embedding any executable or macro files will cause the email to be quarantined and it will never reach the intended recipient. Attaching any other file other than a Microsoft or adobe file may result in the file being quarantined by our mail servers. No pictures or any other files should be included in any email. Upon receipt of a virus-free and readable submission, receipt confirmation will be given.</p> <p>2) If a subcontractor does not wish to email this information, it can be mailed via disc (2 copies) to the below address,</p> <p>Army Contracting Command - Warren (ACC-WRN) Attn: ROBIN JEDRZEJEK CCTA-AHL-A / MS 509 6501 E. 11 Mile Road Warren, MI 48397-5000</p> <p>**In the cover letter, please indicate to which prime offer company name this information should be used. Also please include an email address with the cover letter so that a receipt confirmation can be given once it is confirmed that the disc is readable and contains no viruses.</p>
<p>Q. 44 For sections L.5.3.4 & L.5.6 where we provide rate information, is it ok to upload pictures of a spreadsheet regarding rates or does the excel file need to be provided?</p>	<p>A. 44 For section L.5.3.4 & L.5.6 where the RFP requests lists of information without calculations and/or narratives it is acceptable to upload pictures but it must be legible. Per L.5.2.2 all spreadsheets must be in Microsoft Excel 07 format and include all formulas, function, macros, computations or equations used to compute the proposed amounts. Print image is not acceptable.</p>