## Request for Proposal 19-RFP-016-TH Florida Aerospace and Defense Platform Technical Questions and Answers

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Respondent Question Number*	RFP Page Number, Section Number, Subsection Reference*	Question*	Answers
1	Page 4, B7	What i the allocated budget for the project? Have the federal funds been received? Has the project budget been allocated?  B.7 Notice of Potential Federal Funding All or some portion of this procurement may be funded with federal funds. The exact amount of federal funding used will be based on DEO's federally approved cost allocation plan.	This will be established after reviewing responses and finalized prior to contract execution.
2	Page 16, 1- F	Does the state have a more detailed requirement for the economic model?  What data points does the state want to include in the economic impact model?  Provide an economic modeling function to show current, past, and future spending patterns searchable by unique identifiers such as industry, location, workforce etc.	This will be established after reviewing responses and finalized prior to contract execution.
3	Page 17 - 4	Is the state open to other comparable technologies where the supportability is comparable to the list that has been provided?  Azure alternatives like AWS or Heroku	No.
4	Page 18 5B	Application must be hosted on Windows or PaaS. Is DEO Open to the application being hosted on a Linux based cloud server?	No.

5	Page 20 B38	State Project Plan  The State reserves the right to negotiate mutually acceptable changes with the respondent selected for award, prior to execution of the contract.  Is the state open to an alternate schedule beyond the 180 days allocated in the project plan?	Yes.
6	Page 39 C14	Section c14 depicts interaction with DEO Contract personnel.  Will there be a corresponding team to work with the vendor on technical direction and requests. Or will the Contract Manager act as the central point of contact.	The Contract Manger will be the central point of contact for the Agency.
7	30, 32	UAT is expected after 100 days, but system implementation is expected after 125 days. Why/how would you do UAT before the system is implemented?	A testing phase is necessary prior to implementation.
8	35	Meeting with DEO Staff should be onsite / in person or can be remote (conference / video call)	This requirement will be evaluated as necessary going forward.
9	N/A	For UAT purposes, all the personnel is / will be located in Florida? can we assume the sessions can be remote (conference / video call)?	See the response to question 8.
10	N/A	For Knowledge transfer and transition purposes, all the personnel is / will be located in Florida? can we assume the sessions can be remote (conference / video call)?	See the response to question 8.
11	N/A	Will DEO provide a single Product Owner for this project? Product Owner will have the ultimate authority to define functionality and will be accountable for approving the deliverables	See the response to question 6.

12	N/A	If the previous answer is NO, who will provide those approvals?	See the response to question 6.
13	N/A	We are under the assumption that contractors can be physically anywhere in the world. Please confirm.	No. The Contractor must be located in the U.S.
14	38	Invoicing can be partial based on a deliverable? or invoices should only be after a deliverable is delivered and accepted, before the 5th day of each month?	This will be established after reviewing responses and finalized prior to contract execution.
15	30 - No 7	Will UAT be performed by the client or should it be done by the vendor?	A combination of testing will be performed by the vendor and DEO.
16	P56 - 1c	Should registered vendors bid on a contract using the application besides browsing them?	No.
17	P16 – 1	Will the source of the contracts be only external or does the system have to support contract creation?	The source of contracts will only be external.
18	P16 - 1d	Will vendors have a single account shared among their employees or will the system allow multiple users per vendor?	Vendors will have multiple users among their employees, not a single shared account.
19	P17 - 2d	What is the information expected to be displayed in the dashboards?	The specific details have not been determined at this time.
20	16	Will DEO provide all visual assets required for the portal? (i.e. logo, visual style guide, wireframes, etc)	DEO will provide some visual assets. The Contractor will also be required to provide or create visual assets.

21		If the previous answer is NO, then the assumption is that the contractor will be in charged of the UX of the portal	All visual assets and UX functions must be approved by DEO.
22	17	Application has to be browser agnostic. However, there has to be a starting version per browser for the app to work. What would that version be, for the most popular browsers? (IE/Edge, Chrome, Firefox, Safari)	Microsoft® Internet Explorer® 11 and Apple® Safari® version 12.x on macOS. The most recent stable versions of Microsoft Edge, Mozilla® Firefox®, and Google Chrome™ and one previous version of each.
23	N/A	Should any of the pages be indexed by Google (SEO) or -taking into consideration the application's nature- be configured to be ignored by Google?	Yes
24	P17 - 2d	How will the embedded content behave?	The embedded content should be dynamic and displayed in a customizable format.
		is it internal or external to the application?	The embedded content will come from a combination of internal and external sources
25	N/A	We are under the assumption that contractor will provide the project management and issue tracking system of their convenience (i.e. Jira) for tracking pur poses	Yes.
26	P17 - 2f	What is the number of existing DOE applications to be integrated with the new web-based app?	
27	P17 - 2f	Can you describe the architecture of the existing DOE applications to be integrated?	See the response to question 27.
28	N/A	What is the expected open contracts volume?	See the response to question 27.
29	N/A	How many DOE users are expected?	See the response to question 27.

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30	N/A	How many registered vendors are expected?	See the response to question 27.
31	27	System implementation is timed ~ 6 months, then 6 months warranty. Total of less than 13 months. Why would the contract be for 18 months?	The 18 month contract was based on an estimated timeline, however, the timeline is flexible as long as it does not exceed the initial term or renewal term of 18 months each.
32	N/A	What is the definition of deliverable approved and what is the definition of Done?	A deliverable is a quantifiable unit of goods or services which must meet the required minimum level of service before payment.  "Done" means that DEO has received and accepted in writing a completed deliverable.
33	4, B.7	What is the Department's estimated budget?	See the response to question 1.
34	17, 2f	Will DOE provide additional information regarding the requirement to interface with existing DEO applications? E.g., quantity and technical details of desired application interfaces?	Yes.
35	28-34, C.4	Can vendors propose an alternative number of days for each deliverable within the Performance Measures column aligned to their proposed solution?	
36	56, Attachment K	Will DEO provide detailed requirements for this system, for example and elaboration of item 1b. company registration information details? e.g., Name, DBA, FEIN, etc.	If your question means that DEO will provide the fields to use for company registration, then our answer is yes.
37	Section B: Tab 3, 1a:	Can you provide further detail and scope on what is desired with "An outreach on an upcoming events calendar."?	The platform will need to support an interactive calendar to post events, meetings, webinars, etc. related to this program.

38	Section B: Tab 3, 1e:	Can you provide the number of applications with which the solution will need to interface?	reviewing responses and finalized prior to contract execution.
		Can you provide the names of those applications?	Examples of programs would include, but are not limited to, USAspending.gov, FedBizOps, FedConnect, Internet Bid Board System, and the Federal Procurement Data System.
		Are there existing APIs for these DEO applications?	The existence and type of API's will be determined when the applications are identified.
		If an API is not publicly available for some requested data sources, will the DEO assist us in gaining access to the data by other means?	Yes, DEO will assist with this where necessary and possible.
39	Section B: Tab 3, 2d:	Can you provide further explanation on this section?	Examples of metrics could include, but are not limited to: an economic modeling function to show current, past, and future spending patterns searchable by unique identifiers such as industry, location, workforce etc.
		Do you know specifically what type of metrics, # of metrics, etc. that will be needed to report on?	No, not at this time.
40	Section B: Tab 3, 2f:	Can you identify the number of interfaces that will need to be developed with existing DEO applications?	This will be established after reviewing responses and finalized prior to contract execution.
		Names?	The interfaces have not been identified at this time.
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