



RFP#45-829-JJ - Seneca, Newnham Building K Lab 3170 Renovation

Questions & Answers#1

1) The Rate Bid form notes Finishes item Acoustic Treatment is noted as a cash allowance but the dollar value for this cash allowance is not noted on the rate form or anywhere else in the contract documents. Please provide cash allowance amount for Acoustic Treatment and clarify what scope of work will be covered in the cash allowance.

A cash allowance has been added to the rate bid form of \$5000.00.

2) Drawing A200 has Slab Cutting and Coring note that reads bidders are to carry a \$1,500 + HST cash allowance for a site review by a structural engineer. This cash allowance amount is not noted on the rate bid form, please clarify which price breakdown heading we are to allocate this cash allowance to.

A cash allowance has been added to the rate bid form of \$1500.00

3) Bid Rate form item 22 asks for bidders to breakdown the cost of Domestic Water Piping and Plumbing Piping. The plumbing scope of work on this project is very small- 1 new eyewash that connects to DCW & DHW via a thermostatic mixing valve and a new sanitary drain. Can the Plumbing price breakdown be reduced to a single heading that includes all plumbing work?

All plumbing work can be submitted under row 46 "plumbing".

4) There are 2 headings on the Rate Bid Form below item 27 Communications- the first is noted as Wiring and the 2nd heading is blank. Please clarify what bidders are to enter for pricing under the blank heading.

A revised Appendix F-Pricing Submission Form(Rate Bid Form) has been issued.

5) The A/V specifications have a separate A/V bid form with a request to break pricing down into 3 categories. The rate bid form asks for bidders to provide a price breakdown into 4 categories- Decommissioning being the added category. Can the A/V bid form be removed entirely or revised to show the same 4 price breakdown categories as the Rate Bid Form? Please also note that bidders are not currently requested to submit a copy of the A/V bid form as part of their bid submission.

Both the Specification Binder, page 83 and the Rate bid form have been updated to reflect the three areas of scope Capstone Meeting Rooms, Shared Meeting Room and Open Engineering Space. Submit the A/V bid on both forms. In addition, Seneca requires a copy of the A/V bid form from the AV company as part of the submission.

6) Can a cash allowance for A/V scope of work be provided? Previous tenders at Seneca have listed 3 pre-qualified A/V contractors where none provided pricing to General Contractor's before the tender closing. Of the 3 A/V pre-qualified A/V bidders for this project, 1 has indicated they will not price and the other 2 are asking General Contractors to either sign exclusive agreements with the A/V contractor or otherwise guarantee GC's will not accept bids from other A/V contractors. It appears as if the A/V contractors do not want to price GC's and would prefer to price Seneca directly.

A cash allowance will not be provided. The A/V contractors have been advised to submit pricing to General Contractors and not directly to Seneca.

6) Previous tenders with Seneca have noted a name change to Seneca Polytechnic. Most but not all of the contract documents make reference to Seneca College of Applied Arts and Technology. This has been confusing to bonding and insurance companies. Please clarify if bonding and insurance should be made out to Seneca College or Seneca Polytechnic. For future tenders, please review and revise all contract documents to avoid continued confusion.

“Seneca” and “Seneca Polytechnic” means Seneca College of Applied Arts and Technology. Bonding and insurance should made out to Seneca College of Applied Arts and Technology.

7) Under Division 1 General Requirements of the Rate Bid Form there is an item titled "Safety Comp Services". Please clarify exactly what scope of work/costs Seneca would like to see allocated to this item.

Appendix F-Pricing Submission Form(Rate Bid Form) has been updated and this item has been removed.