



City of Tacoma

Questions and Answers

Outdoor Walk-In Metal-Clad Switchgear RFP Specification No. PT23-0100F

All interested parties had the opportunity to submit questions in writing by email to Sara Bird by date questions were due. The answers to the questions received are provided below and posted to the City's website at www.TacomaPurchasing.org: Navigate to Current Contracting Opportunities / Public Works and Improvements Solicitations, and then click Questions and Answers for this Specification. This information IS NOT considered an addendum. Respondents should consider this information when submitting their proposals.

Question 1: Can we get the Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 296-150F document to review.

Answer 1: The WAC 296-150F document can be found/reviewed from the website link.
<https://app.leg.wa.gov/wac/default.aspx?cite=296-150F>

Question 2: Does section 1.05 Enclosure specification is for building?

Answer 2: Yes, the 1.05 Enclosure specification is for the switchgear building.

Question 3: Section 1.05 refers to HVAC, however bid form does not reflect requirement of Building/HVAC. Please clarify if its required

Answer 3: The HVAC is required in the switchgear enclosure/building. The HVAC shall meet WAC 296-150F requirements. The pricing of HVAC shall be included in the switchgear bid/pricing.

Question 4: 1.06 section: Single stacked breakers are required for Item 1, Item 2 & Item 3?

Answer 4: Single stacked circuit breakers are required for Switchgear Item 1, 2 & 3.

Question 5: 1.10 Section: Does customer plans to buy empty Control panel racks as shown in the SLD? The bid form does not specify the requirement for the same.

Answer 5: The empty control panel racks shall be provided and installed by the vendor.

Question 6: 1.15 Section : Is battery charger, Battery needed for the scope of the work? The bid form does not reflect requirements for the same.

Answer 6: Battery charger and battery shall be included in the scope of work. The pricing of battery charger and battery shall be included in the switchgear bid/pricing.

Question 7: 2101.01 SHT1: SLD shows building, relay racks, battery etc. is siemens scope limited to the switchgear?

Answer 7: The Request for Proposal (RFP) encompasses a complete walk-in control building and switchgear lineup along with all other devices and components as described in the RFP.



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Question 8: Appendix B: The switchgear and breaker price are requested in the separate line items. Is customer planning to buy Breakers separately? Vendor cannot provide switchgear without breakers as breakers are integral part of switchgear.

Answer 8: City of Tacoma purchase orders shall separately quantify the number and rating of circuit breakers within a specific switchgear purchase. As such, the RFP requests line-item pricing for circuit breakers.

Question 9: Bid form requested pricing for Arc Resistant as well. Is vendor supposed provide detailed BOM & drawings as the dimensions of Arc Resistant would be different than the Non-Arc

Answer 9: After awarding the contract to the bid winner, if the arc-resistant switchgear will be ordered, the vendor shall provide detailed BOM and drawings for the arc resistant switchgear.

Question 10: If battery, building, relay racks are required then the price required to be valid for 5 years?

Answer 10: Refer to Section 11 (Price Adjustment) for cost adjustment provisions over the duration of the contract.

Question 11: Is it possible to get an extension if other items are required.

Answer 11: RFP submittal deadline remains at 11:00 am (Pacific Time), Tuesday, August 15th, 2023.