

QUESTIONS & RESPONSES #03

RFP / TITLE 100389 - PCT Fender System Replacement Procurement
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Question ID	Submission Date	Late Submission	Question	Answer
Q-001726	4/26/2023 21:02	No	1) Is it Ok to provide Metal Templets instead of plexiglass, 4 total, designed for use with the installation method described in the Contract?	Rigid template material needs to be transparent, and approved by the Engineer. A sheet metal or plate steel template will not be transparent and is therefore not allowed.
Q-001739	5/1/2023 14:50	No	Is this procurement of materials only? No installation of system?	It is only for the assemblies. The installation is not part of the procurement as mentioned in section 1 "Description of Work".
Q-001748	5/9/2023 5:28	No	 2.02C: Performance Criteria: please provide performance value of E and R at rated deflection prior to correction values applied, along with correction factors and its values applied to derive the specified corrected E/R value. 	See 2.02C paragraph 2 for rated performance value of E and paragraph 3 for rated performance value of R. Correction factors I are based on a fender manufacturer's own test results of their products. See 2.01 paragraph B for assumed fender design values. Section 2.02C paragraph 3 language reading "This reaction force includes correction factors" is stricken from the Contract.
Q-001747	5/9/2023 3:14	No	1.03K: this qualification condition is unusual and never seen in any public port's fender procurement and is favoring large foreign owned multinational corporation, and is acting against small US businesses. We request port to consider removing this condition. 1.04C: requirement of 3 years financials submission to port upon request: this requirement is not common to all and is subjective. In order to provide equal platform to all, either it should be asked from all the bidders or none! We are a privately held entity and our company financials are not disclosed publicly, therefore we request to remove this requirement as project references and insurance provides the required qualification, commercial guarantee and safety to the port. 2.01F: replacement by airfreight: this is an unusual requirement and request to replace with ocean freight, should a need arise, as fender systems are extremely heavy with large volume and general industry norm is to ship it via ocean freight. 3.01A6: Fender Performance verification Testing: Tests shall be performed within 100 miles of the project site at a facility capable and experienced with testing cone fenders, as determined by the Engineer. Please confirm this requirement is obligatory irrespective of whichever supplier is chosen. Also confirm your understanding that time required and taken by USA testing is not part of the current delivery time specified by the port as availability of USA test facility is beyond supplier's control and we are at mercy of independent test facility's schedule. 3.02 Installation: -Please confirm this is not part of the scope covered under current bid.	1.04C: This requirement is part of the vendor responsibility check and will be performed upon bidders who pass the initial responsiveness check. 2.01F: This requirement corresponds only to rejected materials that shall be replaced in a timely manner to ensure project success. Request for removal is denied. 3.01A6: See ITB Section "2. Certification and Inspection Documentation" for submittal requirements prior to final delivery and acceptance of the work. 3.03: Installation at the project site is not part of this procurement. It will be bid in a separate procurement.