KEYS BID 16-26 SPECIFICATIONS FOR AERIAL DAMAGE ASSESSMENT DURING EMERGENCYSITUATIONS

Addendum No. 1

This Addendum forms a part of the Contract Documents for the above-referenced solicitation and modifies the original Bid Documents as described below. Each Proposal shall include acknowledgment of receipt of all Addenda issued during the bidding period. Failure to acknowledge all Addenda may result in the Proposal being deemed non-responsive.

In the event of any conflict between this Addendum, the original Bid Documents, and any prior Addenda, the terms of this Addendum shall govern.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

1. Does Bid 16-26 replace this summer's 15-26 bid? Both state the Specifications for Helicopter Services During Emergency Situations."

   It does not. KEYS Bid 15-26 was for helicopter services to transport KEYS personnel to obtain their own aerial assessment of KEYS' electric system, while 16-26 requires the contractor to perform aerial damage assessment of transmission and distribution facilities, substations, associated electrical components, structures, and surrounding rights-of-way throughout KEYS' service territory.

2. Will KEYS accept unmanned aircraft (UAS) crews, operating under FAA Part 107 with BVLOS waivers, for all or part of the post-storm aerial damage assessment? Examples are distribution feeders and laterals, substations, and close-up inspection of structures and insulators. If a turbine-powered helicopter remains required, may a bidder propose UAS as a supplement to a helicopter, or as an alternate?

   No, KEYS will not accept unmanned aircraft systems, drones, or UAS crews as an alternate to the turbine-powered helicopter required by the solicitation. The aerial damage assessment services shall be performed utilizing a turbine-powered helicopter in accordance with the bid specifications.

3. We understand that the solicitation specifies turbine-powered helicopter operations. Our company specializes in unmanned aerial systems (UAS), geospatial mapping, infrastructure documentation, and digital condition assessments. Could you please clarify whether KEYS would consider UAS-based damage assessment, mapping, and documentation as a supplemental service performed by a subcontractor to a qualified helicopter operator?

   No, KEYS will not accept UAS/drone-based damage assessment, mapping, and documentation or similar services as a supplemental service under this solicitation, whether performed directly by the Contractor or through a subcontractor. The aerial damage assessment services shall be performed utilizing a turbine-powered helicopter in accordance with the bid specifications.

NO OTHER CHANGES

Except as expressly modified by this Addendum, all other terms, conditions, specifications, requirements, and provisions of KEYS Bid 16-26 remain unchanged and in fill force and effect.