RFQ - TG27.1 - Data Network and Systems Integration

Questions are numbered in the order received.

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TG27.1-001	3.11.2016	We are most familiar with being the Prime on a project and using Sub-contractors to meet requirements in a contract, would we be the prime on this or a sub to Webcor/Obayashi Joint Ventures?	Awarded Bidder will be a subcontractor to Webcor/Obayashi Joint Venture; however, awarded Bidder can utilize subcontractors in its bid, and would be expected to meet the Small Business Enterprise (SBE) participation goal with SBE subcontractors if the Bidder is not an SBE.
TG27.1-002	3.11.2016	On page 13 of the RFQ document (Page 14 Item A-4 of the PDF). We are not familiar with this program and would need to answer this as a "No", would this in fact disqualify us? Could we partner with another firm that meets this requirement, and if so would they need to be the Prime and [questioner] would be a sub to them or can we be the prime and have our sub as the qualifying party?	The TG27.1 Bid Package involves scopes of work not directly covered by the Division of Apprenticeship Standards (DAS). Supplementary information will be considered when reviewing overall qualifications. Provide all relevant information/history related to apprenticeships and make special notation in Section One, Item A-4 referencing said information.
TG27.1-003	3.11.2016	On question 2.9 Safety Scoring Section (Page 20): We are currently protesting and requesting an audit for the 2015 period where we have an estimated score of 1.42. The audit is not complete and we are unsure if it would be by the date needed for the RFQ response, our surety has requested the audit work papers and will be reviewing as soon as possible. Does this current estimated score of 1.42 disqualify us from participation? Could we use a contractor relationship as the Prime that meets this requirement and act as a sub?	1.) A score of 1.42 will be evaluated. 2.) Yes, you can be a sub-tiered contractor to a bidding contractor.
TG27.1-004	3.11.2016	The RFQ document section IX. TRADE SUBCONTRACTOR QUALIFICATION STATEMENT, Section One, Parts A and B - request Contractor Licensing information including license numbers and types, as well as status etc. As we are an Information Technology Goods and Services company, we feel this requirement may be inappropriately specialized for the type of work we will be proposing to contribute to the project. The RFQ describes the following: The major items of the work for this package or any part thereof are anticipated to consist of the following elements: LAN/WAN (Core, Access and DC); WIFI & Mobility; IP Telephony; Network Security; Terminal Servers; Network Implementation. Also included are engineering, coordination, procurement and complete installation of the respective systems. With the possible exception of IP Telephony (for which it is unlikely we will provide any services), there do not appear to be any directly or indirectly correlated State of California	No, it is not acceptable to perform work without a valid Contractor's License. However, if bidder is not a licensed contractor you can either, A) form a Joint Venture (JV) with a properly licensed contractor and submit all business relationship details for review, or; B) create a relationship as a subcontractor under another, properly licensed firm that will directly bid the TG27.1 package.

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		Contractor's Licenses which address the types of work being requested. For this reason, we will be providing documentation of specific Technical Certifications to provide these services under the remaining categories of work. (LAN/WAN, WIFI & Mobility, Network Security, Terminal Servers and Network Implementation) as a substitute for the submission of Contractor's License documentation. This reflects current Industry Standard practice for establishment of qualifications to provide IT and Related Goods and Services. Will this be acceptable or considered non-compliant?	
TG27.1-005	3.11.2016	The RFQ document section IX. TRADE SUBCONTRACTOR QUALIFICATION STATEMENT Section One, Question # A4 requests documentation of the following: Contractor has an existing agreement with a registered apprenticeship program(s) which has been approved by the California Apprenticeship Council, and the program(s) has graduated apprentices in the preceding five years for the apprenticeable craft(s) which may be employed by your firm, agreement with a Contractor Licensing information including license numbers and types. As we are an Information Technology Goods and Services company, we feel this requirement may be inappropriately specialized for the type of work we will be proposing to contribute to the project. A thorough review of the available Approved Apprenticeship Programs as published on the Division of Apprenticeship Standards (DAS) website yielded no programs with specification for delivery of IT Goods and Services or any closely related field, job title or job category. For this reason, we will be including supplementary information which demonstrates our previous participation in Non-Approved Apprenticeship and Mentoring programs offered through various County and Local agencies with whom we regularly do business. Will this be acceptable or considered non-compliant?	Yes, it is acceptable. Since the TG27.1 Bid Package involves scopes of work not directly covered by the Division of Apprenticeship Standards (DAS), supplementary information will be considered when reviewing overall qualifications. Provide all relevant information/history related to apprenticeships and make special notation in Section One, Item A-4 referencing said information.

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TG27.1-006	3.11.2016	We are interested in providing a response to RFQ TG27. 1 Data Network and Systems Integration. We are a technology company and do not hold a California Contractor's license. If we partner with a subcontractor who possesses a valid and current California Contractor's license, can we qualify to participate in this opportunity?	See response to TG27.1-004 above.
TG27.1-007	3.11.2016	Thank you for the opportunity to respond to your Request for Qualification. We would like to submit the following questions regarding Section 1 – Essential Requirements for Qualification, Item A-1: 1.) Is it required that the contractor possess a valid California Contractor's license at the time of RFQ submittal, or by the time work would commence? 2.) Is it required that the prime contractor possess a valid California Contractor's license, or can a subcontractor selected to bid with the prime hold the license?	See response to TG27.1-004 above.