

Question and Answer

Gulf Consortium Auditing Services RFP

August 24, 2017

Clarification on page length. Exhibit A and the Peer Review do not count towards the total page length. The intent was the rest of the requirements would fit inside of the total 12 page limit. Respondents are not required to use all of the page limits for any of the subsections, the limits serve as maximums.

1. Do you plan that there will be Florida single audit for 9/30/17 and forward? I know you have not had one in the past and were expecting that to start. I just wasn't sure in which year you were expecting it.

The Consortium expects to require a Federal Single Audit each year

2. Can you disclose the audit fees paid the last 3 years?

The Consortium paid \$3,000 for audit services for each of the last 3 years, however, the scope of the previous audits did not include a Federal Single Audit which will be required going forward

The amount and volume of transactions is expected to rise considerably once the State Expenditure Plan is approved and the Consortium begins issuing grants to the member counties. Currently, this is expected to happen in earnest during the 2018-2019 fiscal year

3. What is the reason for the RFP this year and does the incumbent auditor plan to propose as well?

The scope of audit services sought for the Consortium has changed. Nothing precludes the previous auditor from submitting a response

4. Are the current auditors allowed to respond to the RFP?

No auditor under contract; prior auditor is allowed to submit

5. How long has the current auditor been performing this audit?

The previous auditor had the contract for 3 years

6. In fiscal year 2016, were there any additional services provided by the current auditors? If so, what were they and what were the fees?

No additional service provided to or requested by the Consortium

7. Does the Consortium expect to meet the requirements for a Federal Single Audit in 2017?

Unknown at this time, however a federal Single Audit will be prepared regardless of the \$750,000 threshold

8. Does the Consortium expect to meet the requirements for a Florida Single Audit in 2017?

No, the Consortium does not receive state funding at this time

9. Are there any material current events that will affect the Consortium during the 9/30/17 fiscal year (lawsuits, debt issuances, changing software, new programs, loss/gain of major funding source...)?

Relating to the fiscal year ending September 30, 2017 there are no known material events as mentioned above that will affect the Consortium.

10. Who will be the members of the audit selection committee?

The members of the audit committee will comprise of various finance and accounting staff who work for the Consortium member county commissions.

11. Please provide the audit fees for the last three (3) years of the consortium. In addition, were any unexpected costs incurred during the course of the engagement?

See question 2. There were no unexpected costs over the course of the engagement.

12. As part of the proposal request, letters "a." through "f." would sum a total of nine (9) pages of the twelve (12) page limit. This would leave only three (3) pages remaining to include important information found in letters "g" through "m" such as our peer review and Exhibit A – General Grant Funding Special Proposal Conditions form within our proposal. Can submitting companies prepare an appendix to include documents, such as our peer review report and the General Grant Funding Special Proposal Conditions Form that would not be included in the 12 maximum page count?

See clarification at the top of page 1.