

## F9098 (Revised) Bid Questions and Answers 1

1. The ITB states that each bidder must submit a current license but does not state what license is required. Is a general contractor's license required? Are any other licenses required for this project? If Florida-licensed mold abatement contractor's license is required may the contractor's subcontractor carry the license? **Per the Invitation to Bid, each bidder shall submit a current mold abatement contractor's license issued by the State of Florida (contractor or sub-contractor) and, if a Florida Corporation, a copy of the Corporate Charter as prequalification of their eligibility with the bid document.**
2. Can you please clarify the scope of work for the contractor, is the following scope listed in the "F9098 Non Tech Specs.pdf" under "SCOPE OF SERVICE" the only scope:  
"Contractor shall provide sufficient work force, equipment, materials, oversight, permitting, safety, cleanup, and all incidentals necessary to abate two (2) buildings, Building D and Building E. Remove and dispose of all visibly stained 2'x2' ceiling tiles in hallways and office areas. Clean the ceiling tile grid with visible fungal growth. Clean the visible fungal growth from the outside of ductwork. Clean all the metal diffusers. Thoroughly clean the interior of AHU1-E and AHU2-E using a biocide and a HEPA vacuum. Clean the furniture, horizontal surfaces, and carpeting in both buildings D&E with a high efficiency air particulate under the immediate affected areas in offices. (HEPA) filtered vacuum and wipe with a biocide." **That is the entire scope.**
3. Will the contractor be required to follow all the means and methods for mold abatement and cleaning outlined in "Limited Indoor Air Quality Assessment.pdf" under the "4.2 Recommendations" section? **Yes - for the below three bullet points. FDOT will handle of all ongoing maintenance as well as balancing the system.**
  - **Using a Florida-licensed mold abatement contractor, thoroughly clean the interior of AHU1-E and AHU2-E using a biocide and a HEPA vacuum.**
  - **Replace the filters for the two air handlers in each building with filters with a minimum MERV rating of 8.**
  - **Using a Florida-licensed mold abatement contractor, remove and dispose of all visibly stained 2'x2' ceiling tile in hallways and office areas. Clean the visible fungal growth from the outside of ductwork. Clean the metal diffusers and clean and wipe (at least 1-11/2 feet) into the flex duct immediate to the diffuser in the office areas of both buildings. Clean the furniture, horizontal surfaces, and carpeting under the immediate affected areas in offices D120, D128 and E109 with a high efficiency air particulate (HEPA) filtered vacuum and wipe with a biocide.**
4. After surface cleaning of ductwork, there may still exist staining on the ductwork and mastic, will the owner accept the cleaning if this is the case? **Yes**
5. Carpeting has some staining that may not be removed during carpet cleaning, will the owner accept the cleaning if this is the case? **Yes**
6. The contractor is concerned that mold growth may exist within the existing ductwork insulation. To effectively abate the mold within the building, insulation around the existing ductwork needs to be removed. Is the contractor to remove the ductwork insulation and is the ductwork to be reinsulated? **Yes**
7. There are areas above ceiling with very limited accessibility due to existing ceiling grid. Should the contractor budget for removal and replacement of ceiling grid where necessary? **No**

8. Can the owner provide as-built drawings for the building, including mechanical drawings? **FDOT will provide as-builts to awarded vendor after required approvals.**
9. Are there any limitations on mechanical shutdowns for cleaning the two air handlers in building E? If so what days and for how long can the mechanical system be shutdown? **Fridays would be optimal working days as less staff are at the facility for mechanical shut-downs between 8 and 5.**
10. Will post-cleaning air sampling and reporting be required upon completion of ceiling tile disposal and cleaning? **Yes**
11. Will the building be occupied during the cleaning process? **Yes.** Can occupants be relocated to other spaces during the project? **Yes.** Personal contents removed due to organic materials during cleaning. **Yes.**
12. Will the contractor be permitted to work after hours or weekends as not to disrupt building operations? Contractor highly recommends that the building not be occupied during cleaning. **No.**
13. Will all equipment and materials be removed from lab spaces where cleaning and ceiling tile demo is to be performed? Contractor is concerned about liability for damages to lab equipment and materials (beakers, flasks, lab instrumentation, etc.) and these items should not be out in the space during cleaning. **There is no cleaning within the lab areas.**
14. Will the contractor be allowed to use scissor lifts in the building? **No.**
15. Will the contractor be permitted to use a baker's scaffold in the building? **No.**
16. What if any containment will be required to prevent cross contamination between cleaned and uncleaned spaces during the project? **No.** Will the contractor be required to provide negative air machines during cleaning? **No.** Are there any limitations on areas where venting for negative air can be routed? **No.**
17. Will the contractor be required to provide air scrubbers? **No.**
18. Will the contractor be required to provide dehumidification? **Yes.** Due to the temperature changes in each hallway, office, and laboratory this is recommended.
19. Wiping returns. May cause cross contamination to other areas if performed under the guidelines for mold abatement, will the owner accept the cleaning if this is the case? **If this occurs, the vendor will need to clean.**
20. Removing the ceiling tiles around the diffusers to prevent cross contamination to new ceiling tiles, will the owner accept the cleaning if this is the case? **Yes. Vendor will not install in the new ceiling tiles.**