

170 DMR 200W PA Q&A 25 June 2012

Q1.) Is a Certification of Interoperability required for each of the Ship/Sub AND the Shore amplifiers?
One Certification for each type of amplifier?

A1.) Yes, a separate Certification of Interoperability is required for each PA offered.

Q2.) Does the Shore PA interface to a different radio, or is the Shore radio interface an exact DMR radio interface?

A2.) The Shore PA must implement the Keyline from the Ethernet interface in accordance with the reference documents called out in the performance specification (Draft RFP Attachment 1b - 200W PA Shore Specification_06 June 2012). This Keyline is the standard DMR Keyline interface from the Ethernet.

Q3.) It appears that the Shore specification requires no:

- (a) Transmit Enable/Inhibit
- (b) Master Fault
- (c) VSWR performance at other than 1:1
- (d) Gain variation performance
- (e) EMI/EMC performance
- (f) BIT or Maintainability performance
- (g) Testing whatsoever (Para. 4.1 is removed...)

Is this correct?

A3.) (a) Correct, not specified.
(b) Correct, not specified..
(c) Paragraph 3.2.2 requires no damage with any load impedance.
(d) Paragraph 3.6.1 specifies maximum gain variation across the frequency range.
(e) Paragraphs 3.68 and 3.69 specify spurious and harmonic levels.
(f) Correct, not specified.
(g) Correct, not specified.

Q4.) The Shore specification, Figure 1 shows the Ethernet controlling keyline online. Para. 3.1.1 discusses manual gain control. Para. 3.2.7 discusses operator interface for manual gain control. How is the manual gain set (front panel LCD, pot, Ethernet)?

A4.) The manual gain is set by whatever means is provided in the local control for the PA. No specific implementation is intended or specified.

Q5.) The Shore specification, Para. 3.1.5 (optional ALC) is deleted. Is it acceptable to propose an ALC HPA?

A5.) Yes, Automatic Level Control is acceptable.

Q6.) Is a Small Business that is not subject to CAS exempt from the requirements of Para. 52.215-20 REQUIREMENTS FOR COST OR PRICING DATA OR INFORMATION OTHER THAN CERTIFIED COST OR PRICING DATA (OCT 2010)?

A6.) No, a Small Business not subject to CAS requirements is not exempt from the requirements of Para. 52.215-20.

Q7.) Are we allowed to submit more than one proposal for each of the Ship/Sub and Shore amplifiers?

A7.) No, one for each type (ship/sub and shore).

Q8.) Para. L-317.1 Section (B) Submission Instructions requires that "Offerors shall submit three (3) original signed paper copies, and three (3) CDs copies of VOLUME I: CONTRACT; three (3) original signed paper copies, and three (3) CDs of VOLUME II: TECHNICAL; and three (3) original signed paper copy, and three (3) CDs of VOLUME III: PRICE.

Para. L-317.3 (c) d Volume II-Technical i. Section 1, Specification Compliance (Factor 1) requires over 1000 pages of Test Procedures and Test Results.

Because of the paper burden, can the requirement for paper copies be eliminated?

Or, can the requirement for more than one copy of the paper copy be eliminated?

A8.) Yes, we will reduce the paper submission requirement to 1 copy in the final RFP.

Para. L-317.1 Section (B) Submission Instructions requires that will be revised to read, "Offerors shall submit one (1) original signed paper copy, and three (3) CDs copies of VOLUME I: CONTRACT; three (3) original signed paper copies, and three (3) CDs of VOLUME II: TECHNICAL; and three (3) original signed paper copy, and three (3) CDs of VOLUME III: PRICE.

Q9.) Can you please clarify the following apparent discrepancy?

52.215-20 (b) (1)

The offeror shall prepare and submit certified cost or pricing data, data other than certified cost or pricing data, and supporting attachments in accordance with the instructions contained in Table 15-2 of FAR 15.408, which is incorporated by reference with the same force and effect as though it were inserted here in full text. The instructions in Table 15-2 are incorporated as a mandatory format to be used in this contract, unless the Contracting Officer and the Contractor agree to a different format and change this clause to use Alternate I.

L-317.3 (C) e (1)

Required Pricing Information. "the Offerors shall submit cost and pricing data with their proposal. The cost or pricing data shall be in accordance with FAR 15.403-5(b)(2) [...] the price supporting documentation requested is not considered certified cost or pricing data and shall not be certified in accordance with FAR 15.403-5.

A9.) Under Section L-317.3(C)e(1) we identify that we expect to receive adequate price competition. In the event that we don't receive adequate price competition, clause 52.215-20 is required.

Per Provision L-317.3 (C) e (1) of the Draft RFP N00039-12-R-0002, dated 11 June 2012; "As this is a competitive acquisition and adequate price competition is anticipated, the price supporting documentation requested is not considered certified cost or pricing data and shall not be certified in accordance with FAR 15.403-5. Should adequate price competition not exist after receipt of proposals, the PCO reserves the right to obtain certified cost or pricing data pursuant to FAR Part 15. By submitting a proposal, the Offeror grants the PCO, or an authorized representative, the right to examine records that form the basis of the pricing proposal. This examination and review can take place at any time before award."

Therefore, 52.215-20 is included in the event that adequate price competition does not exist after receipt of proposals.