

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS
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Question: Is there a requirement to be able to vary the attenuation of the radiofrequency (RF) emissions from the inside of the buildings to the outside environment (i.e.: different RF emission panels on the inside walls)?

Answer: Yes. We anticipate emitters may come from other sources. These emitters may vary the frequency, power and duration of an RF emission. Separately, the environment Joint Urban Test Capability (JUTC) will provide must be representative of the building and Urban Terrain Zone types desired for Increment 1. For example, the tester will have a transmitter and a receiver to transmit from the inside to the receiver outside of the building representations. The Government will create the environment that represents the “walls”. If the wall is to act like concrete masonry units, then you would have some attenuation of emission through the wall by virtue of the wall type. Other wall solutions may vary to set up an easy, medium, or a hard level of difficulty to transmit through to see how capable the test article is.

Question: I heard this is not a construction contract but some tasks are construction related (i.e.: install sidewalks). How do Davis-Bacon Labor Rates apply to this opportunity?

Answer: The tasks are test capability related and have been determined not to be construction. This competitive effort will not result in a construction contract. The Davis-Bacon Act does not apply.

Question: Are you looking for something that is cement like in some areas or do you want to replicate with concrete, or something you could set down a mesh grid and then call it a sidewalk?

Answer: This is a performance specification. The Government wants a representation of a sidewalk. If a wire grid sidewalk doesn't perform like a concrete sidewalk, then that solution would not meet the requirements. The means by which this performance is achieved is left to the discretion of the offeror.

Question: Is a company that is involved in the Risk Reduction Test Bed (RRTB) precluded from the solicitation?

Answer: A company that is involved in the RRTB may have a potential Organizational Conflict of Interest (OCI) that could prevent contract award to that Offeror. The RRTB results will be used to support the requirements documents. A potential offeror can, however, submit an Organizational Conflict of Interest mitigation plan for consideration. Please review the OCI FAR provisions found at FAR Part 9.505 for further guidance.

Question: So if you are involved in the RRTB, are you precluded from the competition?

See answer above.

Question: Can you go over the population effects of the augmented effects Prime Mission Products?

Answer: There is a list of the desired population effects in the Test Capability Requirements Document. The team is developing Augmented Urban Environment Effects requirements, which include Population Effects requirements, to combine with the Building Representation requirements as part of the competitive procurement opportunity. Other Augmented Urban Environment Effects will be procured from other resources or contracts available at White Sands Missile Range.

Question: There was a comment during the Industry Forum about JUTC being 85%/15% applicable to operational test requirements versus developmental test requirements or something along those lines. Can you clarify what the comment was?

Answer: The JUTC project is all about providing a test resource. It is going to support 85% developmental testing and 15% operational testing.