ADDENDUM No. 5

Re: 11/12-15 Rooftop Photovoltaic Solar System

The following questions were submitted for the above-mentioned RFP by the deadline and are answered in this addendum:

1. I’d like clarification of the number of submittals required?

   Answer: The District requires Eight (8) printed sets.

2. Page 22 of the RFP Section 9, line 13.2 requires a minimum module rating of 16.5W/SQ Ft. Can we provide an alternate to this as long as the kWh/year is equal or higher?

   Answer: Yes. An equivalent or higher is acceptable.

3. Will the Contractor be able to span the PV system over the vents on the Theatre roof?

   Answer: No. The District prefers to avoid spanning vents. Whereby, the District must maintain convenient engineer access to service, repair or replace vents. However, if spanning appears to be unavoidable, bidders must consult with and obtain approval (on a case by case basis) from the District’s engineers or representative(s). If spanning should be required, the District engineer reports a space requirement of at least 36 inches (to be approved by the District on a case by case basis). Contractors must still investigate and determine if allowable via code, and must ensure compliance with the code.

4. Can the District provide pictures of the roof core removed from each building?

   Answer: Yes. Photos of the roof cores will be provided via ARC of Northern California on Tuesday, June 12, 2012 and to PCCD for publication to the website.
5. Are we able to return to the site with a roofer for an accurate proposal? If so, what is the availability?

   Answer: The District conducted a return site visit on Wednesday, June 6, 2012 at 8:00 AM.

6. Has PCCD applied for an extension for the CSI rebate?

   Answer: Yes. The District has already obtained an extension of its CSI incentive until February 2013. However, CSI has communicated to the District that it can expect to receive an additional incentive to August 2013.

7. If we are able to provide a system larger than the CSI reservation and we tie into Art Center Meter, are there as-built drawings showing where the empty conduits go?

   Answer: Yes. Full-size as-built drawings are available for purchase at ARC of Northern California.

8. Will PCCD provide a list of bidders?

   Answer. Yes. A list of bidders is available on the District website. You may download a copy of the bidders list at: www.peralta.edu. Click “Service Centers”, then click “Purchasing” and then click “List of Current RFPs/Bids” to download the document.

9. Page 35 of the RFP 14.3.7 provides: “On 2% AC”, would that include the transformer losses?

   Answer: No. The transformer loss fraction would be separate and additional.

10. With regards to Page 39 of the RFP, Section 19.1.1, what are you looking for in terms of a security system?

    Answer: Security fasteners are needed at a minimum. Please refer to Section 10.7 of the RFP for additional information.

11. Section 2.7.15 specifies: “The CONTRACTOR shall not provide convenient placement of water outlets and hose bibs on roofs. Placements shall be no more than 100 feet from any panel”.


For the buildings with multi-level roofs (ex: Bldg. B, E, F & G), will a dedicated water outlet for panels mounted on the upper structure, be required?

   Answer: No. A water outlet will not be required for the upper (penthouse) roofs.

12. Section 2.7.5 provides: “PCCD requires the CONTRACTOR to provide a 20 Year Web Based Real Time Performance Monitoring and Reporting System”. Will there be a requirement for a weather station as part of this monitoring system?

   Answer: No. A weather station is not a requirement of the RFP; however, all CSI requirements must be complied with.

13. Section 2.7.22 specifies: “All electrical conduits shall be galvanized and unpainted.” Does PCCD require steel or EMT conduit?

   Answer: The District’s requires rigid, galvanized, unpainted with treads coupling, conduits.