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ITEM NO.	DATE QUESTION RECEIVED	DATE QUESTION ANSWERED	QUESTION	GOVERNMENT RESPONSE
1	5.23.19	5.29.19	Section 22 66 00 2.1.B. Concern over the use of mechanical joints on the polypropylene acid waste piping and that this can be a big maintenance item because you have to periodically tighten them which can be hard if there is limited access clearance for this reason, the industry standard has become electro fused,	All of this piping will be overhead in a mechanical room. The mechanical room is located directly below the lab space. Whether the connection is an Orion type, or screw type, both will be easily accessible in the case tightening is required. Space is not an issue.
2	5.23.19	5.29.19	Section 22 66 00 3.6.B. The vendor said that no extruded polypropylene manufacturers recommend air testing because of the potential for catastrophic failure.	We resolved this by looking at another vendor's website where they list it as an acceptable method, but include additional precautions that should be made. We could add those precautions to the spec if you would like.
3	5.30.19	5.30.19	We would like to propose the following Tennant Coatings products as an equal/and or performance equal to the products specified.	Florock Products will work as an equal substitute. Floropoxy4805_7-17a Florocrete-3.0-Cove florock.net-FloroGelr Floroquartz-Color-Ch .pdf pdf ev3 (1).pdf art-Updated.pdf Warranty-Florock.pdf Floropoxy4805_7-17a FloroWear-7100.pdf Florothane-MC-Ultra- .pdf 100h-8-8-18.pdf Floroquartz-BC.pdf FloroShop-Broadcast. pdf
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5	6.6.19	Volume 1 – Factor 4 – Past Performance – Relevant Projects. Is it possible to amend the requirement to projects that are 50% percent complete or great to account for interim CPARS on those projects. The VA in VISN 23 does not have many projects in the last 5 years that are over that amount. We are asking for consideration to lower the 3 million to 2 million and decrease the 100% complete to possibly 50%	I'll agree to any of the following: 1. \$3M at 50% completion or more 2. \$2M at 100% or substantial completion
6	6.6.19	Volume 1 – Factor 1 – Bullet point 2. – If any of the structure were to be disturbed not by negligence but by needs to complete any of the work. Is there a process on how to repair or replace any of that area?	The original front entrance is not to be touched or damaged. Any construction difficulties and challenges will need to be discussed with the COR.
7	6.6.19	Can the VA provide load calculations for where the addition is going. We are asking this to determine the amount of materials and equipment storage that can be on that structure?	At this moment, no. Once awarded, the VA and contractor can work with the AE to get some load values on the existing roof.
8	6.6.19	Does the VA have an existing rebar layout from that existing building roof. This would be helpful for determining whether we will need to x ray for rebar in that area where the new structure is going.	From my review of the 84 drawing set, I am struggling to find if rebar was used in the poured waffle ceiling or not. However, there are several locations where clips, pipe hangers, and other structural devices have been anchored into the waffle ceiling, so I would account for the need to x-ray the slab.

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9	6.11.19	6.13.19	Work is currently being performed on the Connect New Steam Line, Building 5 project at the Sioux Falls VAMC. There are portions of the Lab Addition project that are being completed in the new steam line project. The documents for the Lab addition ask for the work to be included in the base bid and have a deduct alternate to remove the work. If the work is already in progress wouldn't it be easier to just remove that work from the lab addition bid?	The work on the steam line installation is not complete. The VA design manual requires that the VA have a completely independent design, accounting for all costs and installations. Even though it appears that the VA will not need to install the steam line under the Lab Addition project, the VA must still account for it until the other project is completely finished. Upon completion of the Connect New Steam Line project, the VA may request a credit to remove the applicable work from the Lab Addition project.
10	6.12.19	6.13.19	the Chilled water and Heating water are specified as weld only, will groove system be allowed	No pro-press is allowed. Soldered joints only.