

This combined synopsis/solicitation is hereby amended to answers questions received from potential offerors and extend the date for receipt of proposals.

A) Provide answers to questions as follows:

1. QUESTION: Will the anechoic material be removed from the floor prior to the removal of the existing X-Y Positioner by the contractor, or will a plywood floor be laid over the anechoic material similar to the walk way during the visit?

ANSWER: If installation of the X-Y Positioner requires removal of the anechoic material from the floor, then material will be removed by NRL personnel.

2. QUESTION: Will the equipment located on the outside back of the chamber be removed prior to the removal of the existing X-Y Positioner by the contractor?

ANSWER: The vendor is required to remove the existing X-Y Positioner assembly. All other equipment that impedes installation of the new X-Y Positioner will be removed by NRL personnel.

3. QUESTION: The drive motors for the existing X-Y Positioner are located outside of the chamber, is this a requirement for the new system?

ANSWER: This is not a requirement. However to minimize reflections from metal the motors will need to be shielded with anechoic material, either with floor anechoic tiles or conical anechoic segments.

4. QUESTION: Will the anechoic material in the vicinity of the X-Y Positioner be removed prior to the removal of the existing X-Y Positioner? And if not is the contractor responsible for any damaged anechoic material?

ANSWER: The vendor will advise NRL personnel of requirements to remove anechoic material in the vicinity of the X-Y Positioner for removal of existing X-Y Positioner or installation of new Positioner. NRL personnel will remove the anechoic material. The contractor shall exercise care and caution to prevent damage to the anechoic material and is responsible for repair or replacement of any damaged anechoic material.

5. QUESTION: Who is responsible for the main power connections from the facility to the contractors equipment? It is assumed that the contractor is responsible for all of the connections between contractor supplied equipment

ANSWER: The power available at the NRL facility has been provided in the proposal. Connecting power to the contractor's equipment will be the responsibility of the contractor. The contractor will be provided details about the required power configuration in the chamber area so NRL personnel can make power configuration changes in the facility as needed.

6. QUESTION: Based on the description of the desired equipment, the position of the fixed but adjustable horn rails will limit usable travel of the movable horn rails. Is this a correct statement? This assumes that the movable rail and the fixed but adjustable rail both share the same vertical rails (see figure 1.2 of the X-Y Positioner System Specifications). To state in another way, the movable horn will not pass the fixed horn

ANSWER: Yes, the movable rail will not pass the fixed horizontal rail which contains the fixed horn. The fixed horizontal rail therefore forms a barrier to the downward motion of the movable rail.

B) Extend the "Response Date" for the receipt of proposals to: "30 APR 2009".