

## MassCEC - Ocean Renewable Innovation Center Architectural & Engineering Services RFP - Q&A Template

Question #	RFP Section	Question	Response
1	IV. A.	On page 10 of the RFP, under "Comprehensive Design Services", acoustical analysis is mentioned. Could you please elaborate on any acoustical requirements and if an acoustical consultant is required?	It is unknown whether an acoustical consultant will be necessary. Architect to engage acoustical consultant as/if required.
2	IV. A.	On page 16 of AIA B201, Civil Engineering is listed as an 'Architect Basic Service'. But page 10 of the RFP notes a Civil engineer will be engaged by the owner. Could you please clarify whether a Civil Engineer is needed as part of the Design Team or if the Owner will hire a Civil Engineer directly?	Civil engineer will be engaged directly by owner. A&E team will coordinate as necessary.
3	V.A.	On page 11 your email is written two different ways, which is it?	<a href="mailto:tim.betjemann@collierseng.com">tim.betjemann@collierseng.com</a>
4		Are there funding or approval milestones that are driving the schedule or that might be helpful for the Architect/Engineer to understand?	Yes. Client's intent is to enter into a GMP by end of year. <i>Note: Mass CEC anticipates that a portion of the Trust Funds from which MassCEC is funding the project will include funds from the Federal American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 ("ARPA"). Please take note of any reporting and/or compliance requirements associated with receipt of these funds. MassCEC encourages applicants to carefully review the terms of Attachment C and related exhibits/attachments. Additionally, MassCEC may update or revise provisions of Attachment C as required for compliance under ARPA.</i>
5	V.C.	Should the fees be based on renovation or new construction?	Cost will not be the sole factor in determining the selection. Please provide a fee proposal that covers both scenarios. We will entertain multiple options.
6	Exhibit C	The RFP states a requirement for professional liability coverage of \$3M each claim and \$5M annual coverage. Is there any flexibility in the insurance limits, given the scale of this project is modest [approximately \$5.5M construction cost]?	For the purposes of submissions to the RFP, respondents should plan for and utilize the insurance levels stated in the RFP. MassCEC reserves its right to adjust insurance requirements during final contracting for the selected awardee.
7		Will there be a briefing session?	No
8		Will the site selection be made available to the short list proposers.	No
9		If the project is separated, will the design and construction be concurrent?	Yes
10		Confirming that this A/E team shall <b>exclude</b> the following sub-consultants as stated in the RFP: Civil, GeoTech, Environmental, and Testing, these services will be hired by the Owner.	Correct. These consultants will be engaged by owner as/if necessary.
11		Is the working waterfront access/berthing space existing, or is its design/renovation to be covered under our team and fee?	Waterfront access/berthing space location is not final. A mutually agreeable fee will be negotiated in advance if design services are required.
12		Confirming the RFP submission date, the RFP indicates a written submission date of May 17, 2024. The website identifies that date as May 7, 2024 under the application process, and above in the schedule as the 17th. Please confirm which is correct date for RFP submission.	The 17th of May is correct.