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# REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL ENGINEERING & TECHNICAL SUPPORT SUBCONTRACTOR

Posting Date: December 29, 2024

**Deadline for Receipt:** January 24, 2025 – 2:00 p.m. HST

The Pacific International Center for High Technology Research (PICHTR) is seeking a subcontractor for engineering and technical support for a community-based project in Waianae, Hawaii. The contractor shall perform the following activities: installation and support/training for the climate-controlled farming system(s) and micro-grid system(s) and include consultation with existing POW consultant(s) to optimize the placement of the systems and ensure that identified staff are trained for workforce development and ongoing maintenance and systems support. This will be an effort over 3 years, but the primary effort will be in the first year with monthly follow-up for operations and maintenance support, and reporting. Experience with climate-controlled farming systems is highly desired but not required.

Interested parties should send a proposal with corporate resume, pricing and technical reference for past performance related to micro-grid system equipment installation and training and operation, and education and workforce development activities by e-mail to <a href="mailto:keith.matsumoto@pichtr.org">keith.matsumoto@pichtr.org</a> or to the following address:

PICHTR PROGRAMS DIRECTOR 1440 Kapiolani Boulevard, Suite 1410 Honolulu. Hawaii 96814

### **EVALUATION CRITERIA**

The selection of sources will not be based on the lowest bid but a combination of capabilities, fit to the end use cases, and other factors. PICHTR will provide procurement preferences to Minority Business Enterprises and Women-Owned Business Enterprises.

### ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- 1) Compliance with the Environmental Protection Agency General Terms and Conditions Effective October 1, 2024
- 2) Compliance with 2 CFR Part 200 Uniform Administrative Requirements
- 3) Procurement
  - All procurement transactions will be conducted in a manner providing full and open competition consistent with 2 CFR § 200.319. In accordance with 2 CFR

§ 200.324, a cost or price analysis in connection with applicable procurement actions, including contract modifications.

## 4) Build America, Buy America Act (BABA)

i) Proposals must comply with the Build America, Buy America Act (BABA). All materials and components utilized in the Climate Controlled Farming Systems must be produced in the United States unless granted a waiver by PICHTR. Respondents must provide a certification of compliance with BABA or indicate any components that may require a waiver, with justification.

## 5) Insurance Requirements

Respondents must include proof of insurance meeting the following minimum requirements:

- i) General Liability Insurance: Coverage of at least \$1,000,000 per occurrence and \$2,000,000 aggregate.
- ii) Workers' Compensation Insurance: In compliance with state and federal laws.
- iii) Professional Liability Insurance: Coverage of at least \$1,000,000 per claim (if applicable to design or engineering services).
- iv) Automobile Liability Insurance: Coverage of at least \$1,000,000 combined single limit for all owned, hired, and non-owned vehicles used in connection with the project.

Proof of insurance must be submitted with the proposal. PICHTR reserves the right to request additional coverage if necessary.

For any questions regarding the RFP, please contact Keith Matsumoto at keith.matsumoto@pichtr.org.