

CDIS Building RFQ  
Project No. A-20-013\_9950-2003

**Q&A**

1. I see geotechnical work is not included in the current scope. Will it be added in the next Phase or will UWSA contract directly?

- **Geotechnical work will be part of the advanced planning phase and be hired through the selected firm, potentially as a reimbursable expense.**

2. Can you tell me if there is any Mass Timber (CLT, Glulam, etc.) in this project?

- **This decision will be made later in the design process.**

3. We would like to know what the University of Wisconsin's opinion and/or position would be related to having a firm without a Wisconsin office but teamed with a large Wisconsin based MEP firm proposing on this project without a local architectural partner.

- **UW requires excellent support through the design, and then all the way through the CA phase. UW is not requiring a prescribed organization for the selected firm. As can be seen by the questions we are asking each firm to answer in their SOQ, we desire a thorough understanding of how the Firm (and their team) will provide the highest quality service throughout the life of the project.**

4. From the document "Division of Facilities Development and Management - Policy and Procedure Manual for Architects/Engineers and Consultants"

1.D.2.d Eligibility and Qualifications The term "eligible Architect/Engineer" (in accordance with Wisconsin Administrative Code, Chapter Adm. 20) means one who meets the following criteria:

3) Has a permanent office within Wisconsin where responsible direction of all services will be based. Note: Out-of-state firms will be considered when the Selection Committee determines there are no Wisconsin firms qualified or available to provide the services required;

Could you clarify if this applies to work at the University?

- **While UW appreciates this provision (1.D.2.d. 3)), because this project is being offered through UW's "Gift & Grant" authority, UW may deviate from this provision in its selection. UW expects the team to include architects and engineers licensed in Wisconsin. In addition, UW expects the selected team to have members that are well versed in UW design and construction projects.**