

# RFQ Question and Answer List

## State of Ohio Standard Forms and Documents

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Project Name Sustainability Standards Implementation - Subject Matter Expert Service Provider Project Number OSU-210062  
Project Location Columbus

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Below are the questions that have been received to date for the RFQ of the above-referenced project:

1. On page 2 of the RFQ, Section F states the EDGE Participation Goal is 0%, however page 4 under Selection Criteria 3.b. mentions the bidder has the potential to be awarded a maximum of 5 points. Would you please clarify how OSU will handle the scoring if the requirement is 0%?
  - A. Criteria 3 will be scored up to 15 points and will be based entirely upon 3a
2. Can you confirm if sustainability consulting firms will be considered for this RFQ?
  - A. Yes
3. The Selection Criteria (page 4) does not align with the Evaluation Criteria on page 2. The Selection Criteria includes additional points for Project Design Leads (2b – up to 10 points) and BIM experience (4c, 1-3 points) which are not listed in the evaluation criteria.
  - A. Good catch, this is a result of standard forms not being editable – for the purposes of this RFQ: BIM, item 4c, will not be evaluated. Whereas, in place of ‘design’ within criteria (2b), will be the team’s ability to serve in a quasi-owner’s representative capacity as well as further development of the standards. And for the avoidance of doubt, within (2c) Technical staff will be scored on the merits of providing technical reviews and recommendations
4. a.) Will the scope of work require design team work (signed and sealed documentation)? b.) Could you clarify what experience will be considered within this scoring category related to the scope of work and required qualifications?
  - A. 4a) No 4b) I believe this to be in reference to the Primary Firm Qualifications section 2 and its subset scoring criteria. If I captured the context correctly, this has been addressed in question 3 above.
5. The Lead A/E Discipline is listed as Architecture or Engineering – does OSU have a preference?
  - A. No
6. a.) The RFQ states “For the purpose of the selection of 10 Relevant Projects in Section F of the Statement of Qualification (Form F110-330), projects must be designed by the Lead Firm.” – given that some scope items are more architecturally focused and some more engineering focused and the lead firm can be either Architecture or Engineering, (b.) can the 10 projects come from both the Lead and Secondary Disciplines for this opportunity?
  - A. 6a. Again we are dealing with standard forms and limited capabilities in editing certain sections, in place of ‘designed’ within the context of “For the purpose of the selection of 10 Relevant Projects in Section F of the Statement of Qualification (Form F110-330), projects must be designed by the Lead Firm.” (replaced with ‘administered’) (6b.) yes

7. Will the successful firm still be eligible for future design projects that fall under these Standards
  - A. Yes – However, it is understood that in such an instance – no sustainability SME services and fees under this contract would be rendered for that particular project.
  
8. The RFQ states the 10 Relevant Projects in Section F of the Statement of Qualification must be designed by the Lead Firm and demonstrate ability to achieve the five scope of work requirements listed in Section B. Because mechanical engineering design is typically a sub-consultant under an architecture prime, may Section F projects feature the expertise of a mechanical engineering firm if they are a Lead Firm's secondary discipline?
  - A. Acceptable if the project administration/design illustrates past collaboration between the two parties that are venturing for this opportunity.