

**DCRB-16-010: Vendor Questions and Answers**

1. Developing a security plan entails the selection of security controls. Have the security controls for each system been identified?

**Response:** Yes, the security controls have been identified. Additionally, the controls will be in line with the NIST SP 800-53 guidance.

2. The solicitation omits the performance of an assessment, but requests the development of a Security Assessment Plan and a Plan of Action and Milestones (POA&M). The POA&M is dependent on the completion of the assessment. When will the security assessment be performed?

**Response:** The actual security controls assessment will be performed after this security package documentation is complete. POA&M development will be performed after the controls assessment.

3. Generally in a security assessment, the assessors determine the items to be remediated, as this requires a technical skill set. Will the items to be documented in the POA&M be provided?

**Response:** Yes, POA&Ms and their remediation actions will **not** be part of this solicitation. However, templates would be needed. Remediation items identified and documented in POA&Ms after the full testing of security controls effectiveness.

Section/ document	Page	Paragraph reference	Question
Section D	3	Para. a.	<p>Our understanding from reading the statement of work is that the task is preparation of security documents. We have several questions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Have the documents for the authorization package have already been created using DCRB templates and this requirement is for an update of the documents?</li> </ol> <p><b>Response:</b> No. The security package documents have not been created and there are not templates available.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2) If the documents have not been created, does DCRB have templates that should be used?</li> </ol> <p><b>Response:</b> The security package documents have not been created and there are not templates available.</p>

<b>Section F</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Para. 4</b>	<p>For the proposal submission, do the table of contents and the cover page count towards the 15-page limit?</p> <p><b>Response:</b> The cover page and table of contents do not count towards the 15 page limit.</p>
<b>Section G</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>Table</b>	<p>For the proposal submission, are proposals due by e-mail at 5:00pm Eastern time on Friday April 15<sup>th</sup>?</p> <p><b>Response:</b> Yes, proposals are due by April 15, 2016.</p>
<b>Section G</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>Table</b>	<p>What is the estimated date of award?</p> <p><b>Response:</b> By April 30, 2016 or as soon as possible.</p>