

Q 52, 7.27.23 Clarification: By “previously accepted exceptions” I am referring to Section 2.4 (Pages 7-8) that states, *“An Offeror may submit to RFP Contact Person a written request for an unsubstantial, nonmaterial exception or deviation to a specific term, condition, or other provision in this RFP.”* *“A requested exception that substantially or materially alters a term, condition, or other provision shall be rejected. County Representative shall determine, in his or her sole discretion, whether an exception is substantial or material and advise Offeror of the decision. If an Offeror submits a preprinted contract, it shall be rejected.”* *“A request for exceptions must be submitted to RFP Contact Person not less than seven (7) days prior to the Offer Deadline. A request for exceptions shall not be accepted, in whole or in part, unless accepted in writing, including email, by County Representative.”*

Based on Section 2.4, if an exception is granted by the County to a specific respondent for any particular item before the Offer Deadline, how does that exception(s) need to be documented in the format of the Acknowledgement and Acceptance Form (in a document after the form, labeled as an appendix, etc.) An exception may be documented by a document after the form, labeled as an appendix, or in any manner which is easily identifiable, responsibly addresses the matter, and ensures clarity.

Q 53, 7.27.23 Clarification: As the Questionnaire Cover Sheet (Pages 40-41) includes numeric values, is the Cover Sheet supposed to be included in the response? Or is it only for reference for respondents since these items are addressed in the Questionnaire itself? The Coversheet is separate from the ‘Cost Proposal’ and should not be included in the ‘Cost Proposal’ envelope.

Q 54, 7.27.23 Clarification: The Offer Form (Page 29) does not state that these items need to be included, thus the confusion if they should be included or not. Also, even if required, Exhibits D and F cannot be filled out, as they are not fillable forms (unlike Exhibit E). Please advise. The forms (exhibits) shall be completed with supporting documents attached as applicable. The fillable versions may be found on both the County’s ‘bids website and the YCESA website.’