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## RFP-LA-03-25 Questions and Answers (Office space for lease for the State of Maryland, Accountability and Implementation Board)

- 1. What is PREST zoning?
- A: This is the zoning of the building.
- 2. Is the EV charging station an absolute requirement?
- A: AIB does not currently have a requirement for EV charging stations.
- 3. The financial document says not to include the parking charges for 16 parking spaces in landlord's underground parking garage. Is the correct?
- A: There is a separate line on the financial proposal form for parking costs; it should not be included in the rent.
- 4. Are the 16 parking spaces to be added to the rent?
- A: No, parking should not be added to rent; however, parking costs are included as part of the net effective rent as explained in the evaluation criteria.
- 5. Are buildout costs associated with preparation of the premises handled after an award is made? Reconfiguring the office to comply with tenant needs will need to be addressed when? A: Please provide a test fit based on the programing information provided to meet the state standards.
- 6. Is there any adjacency requirement for the various offices?
- A: Will be answered after the test fit is reviewed and award is determined.
- 7. The premises includes a pantry/kitchen. Is this pantry to be retained?
- A: Please provide test fit based on agency program information.
- 8. The lactation/wellness room would that be adjacent to the existing pantry?
- A: Please provide test fit based on agency program information.
- 9. Is there a reception/waiting area required?
- A: No. However, please provide a test fit based on program information.
- 10. If so, is the room listed in the positions?

A: N/A

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- 11. The policy analysts in the test-fit do they share the 200-sf office?
- A: There are 2 current and 2 future open areas, which are 50 sf cubicles each, totaling 200 sf.
- 12. The test-fit architect is <u>asking again</u> about the existing pantry. If the test-fit requirements require the use of the existing kitchen/pantry to satisfy the program requirements, is the kitchen to be removed on the test-fit layout?
- A: Please provide a test fit based on agency program information.
- 13. How is an increase in rent handled over the 10-year lease? Typically, the Offeror would expect a 3% annual increase.
- A: This should be provided in the financial proposal form.
- 14. From the test-fit, does the shared and private office house one person?
- A: Please provide a test fit based on agency program information.
- 15. The financial document says to exclude the parking from the rental rate cost. Will the 16 spaces be handled separately by the Agency or the State?
- A: Please see the answer to question #3.
- 16. Part of the building has been LEED certified GOLD (the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor). Is the Offeror required to fill out additional paperwork?
- A: Please complete all applicable and required forms per the RFP packet instructions.
- 17. An accessible water fountain is just outside the office suite. Will this do? A: Yes