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Attention:
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RE: PR-11-21 – NRC Reply to Clarification #1

Dear Ms. Donovan,

Thank you for your request for clarification #1 regarding Training Cost. We write to provide our reply to your Questions #1:

Question #1: To adhere to COVID-19 safety protocol, VIWAPA'S computer training rooms have a limited seating for personnel safety. Is there an additional cost for training completed in sessions to accommodate the limited seating, for example, four sessions of the Virtual 8-hour / 40 – Hour Hazwoper Refresher Training Course? If there is an additional cost, please provide a break down of the additional cost.

We are pleased to address this question as follows:

1. First, in reviewing our proposal submitted on March 26, 2020, we note an error in the Pricing Table for the Hazwoper training. Please be advised that the Pricing Table incorrectly identified training pricing as a "Cost per Hour." Please be advised that the cost estimates provided were based on "Cost per Day." All the pricing is correct, but please note that it is based on an 8-hour day and not based on hourly costs.
2. Second, we take this opportunity to re-access the practicality of providing Virtual – 40 Hour Training. As you are aware, 40-Hour Hazwoper training includes both classroom training as well as practical hands-on equipment training. After speaking to our training staff, we have reassessed this request, and do not recommend that the 40-Hour Hazwoper training be conducted remotely or

virtually. That is, it is our recommendation to provide 40-Hour Hazwoper training in person and on-site in order to fully address the need to verify and provide the practical portion of the hands-on training. While we understand that some on-line courses exist for 40-hour Hazwoper training, it is difficult to provide this hands-on practical training in a virtual class. Therefore, we suggest that any 40-Hour training be done in person and on site when COVID-19 safety permits. NRC is available to discuss this change with VIWAPA and to address any questions you might have regarding 40-hour training.

Further, for further clarification, we assume that VIWAPA will provide its own equipment for fit testing in the practical or hands-on portion of the 40-hour training as it is our experience that testing on “Company” equipment is more advantageous than training on third party equipment. However, if needed or required, NRC’s trainers can provide the needed equipment. Additional cost may apply.

3. Regarding Clarification Question #1, we anticipate that some additional costs will apply for the virtual 8-Hazwoper training depending on the number of sessions required to complete the training. The cost per day will change depending on if we are providing full day or half day sessions. For sake of simplicity, the pricing below provides two options for your consideration. The first, Task 5, assumes that groups will be split into two groups and that NRC will provide two, half day training sessions per day for a total of two days completing the 8-hour training. The second option, Task 6, provides the same costs but splits the training into two groups into 4 half-day sessions over 4 days to complete 8-hour training for two groups.

Pricing for the above training is the same, but takes into account two groups over two or four days completing the 8-hour Hazwoper instructions. That is, if the trainer is providing two, half-day sessions per day over two days; or whether the trainer is providing one, half-day session per day, over four days.

Again, NRC is willing to discuss how best to split the training to accommodate VIWAPA work crew schedules. Below is our pricing based on Task 5 or Task 6 examples. Again, we can accommodate a different virtual schedule to accommodate your work crews.

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| Task 5 - Conduct Virtual 8 Hour Hazwoper Refresher [Two, 1/2 day Sessions over Two Days] | | | |
| 1 Instructor per Training Session | | | |
| | Days | Cost per Day | Total |
| Travel Time | 0 | \$1,500 | \$0 |
| Deliver Hazwoper 8-Hour Refresher | 2 | \$950 | \$1,900 |
| (Four, 4-hour (1/2 day) sessions over two days) | | | |
| Planning Meetings (remote)* | 1 | \$475 | \$475 |
| (*Half Day - If required or needed) | | | |
| Per Diem Expenses (3 days) | | | |
| | Misc | | \$0 |
| | Training Materials | \$500 | \$500 |
| | Sub-total | | \$2,875 |
| Number of trainers | 1 | | |
| Total 8 Hour Hazwoper | 2 | | \$5,750 |
| Task 6 - Conduct Virtual 8 Hour Hazwoper Refresher [Four, half day Sessions over 4 Days] | | | |
| 1 Instructor per Training Session | | | |
| | Days | Cost per Half Day | Total |
| Travel Time | 0 | \$1,500 | \$0 |
| Deliver Hazwoper 8-Hour Refresher | 4 | \$475 | \$1,900 |
| (Four, half day, 4-hour sessions, over four (4) days) | | | |
| Planning Meetings (remote)* | 1 | \$475 | \$475 |
| (*If required or needed) | | | |
| Per Diem Expenses (3 days) | | | |
| | Misc | | \$0 |
| | Training Materials | \$500 | \$500 |
| | Sub-total | | \$2,875 |
| Number of trainers | 1 | | |
| Total 8 Hour Hazwoper | 4 | | \$5,750 |

Once again, thank you for this opportunity. Please let us know if you have any questions regarding this clarification.

Best regards,

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