NEW OPPORTUNITIES, INC. DOE WAP MANDATORY BIDDERS CONFERENCE 2/13/2020 @ 1:00PM AUDITORIUM 232 N. ELM ST, WATERBURY 06702

Q&A

- 1. DO YOU HAVE TO FILL IN ALL PRICES ON THE PRICING SHEET?
 - a. Only bid on services you provide, if the price or measure does not apply, enter n/a.
- 2. WHEN TRAVELING TO OTHER REGIONS, CAN THE EXPENSES BE INVOICED?
 - a. ALL expenses to complete a project must be included in your pricing.
- 3. IF A CONTRACTOR FINDS A CHANGE ORDER IS REQUIRED, HOW IS THAT HANDLED?
 - a. The contractor would call the auditor/coordinator for that project and get written permission before proceeding with work. Contractor must provide photos of work being recommended.
- 4. IF A CONTRACTOR IS ON A HES-IE PROJECT AND WANTS DO RECOMMEND THEM FOR DOE, HOW IS THAT PROCESSED?
 - a. NOI will not process LEADS from contractors for DOE. The Weatherization Assistance Program uses the same eligibility criteria as the Connecticut Energy Assistance Program. Currently, the eligibility is set at 60% of State Median Income. Priority is given to households that are particularly vulnerable, such as the elderly, persons with disabilities, families with children and high energy users. For multi-family dwellings, at least two-thirds of the tenants must be income-eligible.
- 5. WILL PAYMENT IN 30 DAYS AFTER COMPLETION BE A REALISTIC DATE?
 - a. NOI will issue payment for a project approximately 30 days after the project is complete and inspected. If multiple contractors are required for a job, all contractors must be complete and inspected before payment is issued.
- 6. THE BID PACKAGE STATES THAT BPI CERTIFICATION IS REQUIRED FOR HVAC CONTRACTORS, IS THIS A REQUIREMENT?
 - a. When preparing the package, it was taken into consideration that an HVAC contractor can bid on SHELL work. The BPI Certification is **NOT** required for HVAC companies, unless the company is performing SHELL/SHELL Health & Safety work.