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SUBJECT: GUIDELINES FOR NSTX PROCUREMENTS

This memo provides guidelines for processing NSTX procurements above \$5K.

- 1) All NSTX procurements shall be in accordance with PPPL Procurement Policies and Procedures via guidance by the PPPL Procurement Department
- 2) All requisitions ≥ \$5K shall be signed by the NSTX Engineering Manager*.
- 3) The NSTX Engineering Manager* shall judge, based on cost, complexity, and criticality...
 - a. the adequacy of the procurement documentation which accompanies the requisition
 - b. the adequacy of the proposal documentation requested of the prospective vendors
 - c. the procedure for proposal evaluation
- 4) General guidelines (subject to the discretion of the NSTX Engineering Manager* on a case by case basis) for procurements ≥ \$50K and/or mission critical are as follows...
 - a. requisitions shall be accompanied by a specification or statement of work (NSTX-PROC-005)
 - b. specification or statement of work shall require that the prospective vendors submit a QA Plan and MIT (Manufacturing/Inspection/Test) Plan
- c. Request for Proposal (RFP) shall include a list of weighted evaluation criteria (ref. PPPL Procurement Policies and Procedures section 2-15) developed jointly by the cognizent engineer (requisitioner) and procurement representative.
 - d. after issuance of an RFP all correspondance with prospective vendors shall be communicated via the procurement representative, who shall be responsible for maintaining a file of same.
 - e. proposals shall be formally evaluated by committee...

- committee shall, as a minimum, include the cognizant engineer, QA representative, and procurement representative; additional members may be included subject to the approval of the NSTX Engineering Manager*
- requisitioner shall visit facilities of prospective vendors to confirm technical capability and manufacturing competence; additional visitors if required shall be approved by the NSTX Engineering Manager*
 - requisitioner shall report of findings of visits to committee
 - findings of committee shall be documented via memo to project file containing as a minimum...
 - nature and purpose of procurement
 - number and issue date of specification or SOW and RFP
 - names and addresses of offerors
 - ranking of proposals with respect to evaluation criteria
 - recommendation for selection of vendor
- 4) General guidelines (subject to the discretion of the NSTX Engineering Manager* on a case by case basis) for procurements requisitions > \$5K but < \$50K and not mission critical are as follows...
 - a. Requisitions and/or attachments shall provide all necessary information regarding description and required characteristics of equipment and/or services, as well as PPPL QA and ES&H surveillance needs per the standard requisition form
 - b. Authorization to proceed with purchase shall be via memo to project file from requisitioner to Procurement representative, with approval signature by responsible WBS Manager.
- * = Engineering Manager or his delegate, or Deputy Project Manager (P Heitzenroeder) in case Engineering Manager not available

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