Request for Qualifications and Price Proposal HAZMAT 160 (Hybrid) Training

Questions and Answers

1. It is stated in the request: "Training must be conducted in accordance with International Association of Fire Fighters HAZMAT 160 requirements to include instructor certifications." Currently the state of Florida BFST doesn't specifically recognize the IAFF HAMAT 160. Also the IAFF doesn't offer a specific 160 hour tech class. The current standards for the state of Florida are described in the Rule: 69A-37.065 Programs of Study and Vocational Courses. Would you accept a hybrid class with instructors that are accepted by the FL BFST and eligible for the state hazmat tech test?

**ANSWER:** Yes.

2. Will the hosting agency provide an instructor at the hosting agency’s cost to be part of the instructor cadre? If so, who would it be and what are their instructor credentials?

**ANSWER:** No, we did not plan on this.

3. What is your required student to instructor ratio for hands-on training? 6 students to 1 instructor?

**ANSWER:** 6 students to 1 instructor is acceptable.

4. The International Association of Firefighters 160 hour program curriculum was originally published in 2002. Although we have instructors who have been trained as instructors by the IAFF, we are interested in the region’s consideration for other sources of materials provided copies of those materials are made available to the participants.
   a) Would the Planning Council entertain the use of either: a) the International Fire Service Training Association (IFSTA) “Hazardous Materials Technician” text and materials, or b) the Jones and Bartlett “Hazardous Materials Managing the Incident” authored by Gregory Noll PROVIDED the approved vendor made available loaner textbooks to very participant?

   **ANSWER:** Either Text is acceptable, however, providing the book to each student to keep (for future reference) would be better than a loaner text.

   b) If the region requires only the use of the International Association of Firefighters curriculum, will the region provide student manuals for all participants and coordinate the delivery as required by the IAFF?

   **ANSWER:** IFSTA or the Jones and Bartlett text is acceptable.