AMENDMENT NO. 7
TO THE
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

The Research Corporation of the University of Hawaii requests proposals for the

2027 DRYDOCK AND MAINTENANCE PERIOD OF THE RESEARCH VESSEL KILO MOANA

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Amendment No. 1 posted September 1, 2026
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Amendment No. 6 posted October 20, 2026

for the

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This Amendment No. 7 publishes questions received upon issuance of Amendment No. 6, and answers to the questions. This Amendment No. 7 also amends the request for Best and Final Offers (BAFO) with respect to Work Item 2027-27.

Scope of this Amendment:

A. Questions and Answers.

B. BAFO Amendment to Work Item 2027-27.

A. Questions and Answers

Q1: Please clarify whether the submission of Appendix A constitutes an unconditional acceptance of all RFP terms and attachments, or whether the RFP terms and attachments are subject to negotiation consistent with the RFP's post-selection and contract-finalization process.

A1: The submission of Appendix A is a required proposal acknowledgement. Appendix A does not constitute an unconditional acceptance of all RFP terms and attachments. In accordance with RFP Sections 2.16 and 8.4, UHMC may negotiate terms with the selected Offeror prior to contract execution. Negotiations may address contract terms and conditions (including provisions in Attachment B, General Conditions for Service Agreements), the scope, schedules, and commercial and administrative matters.

Q2: Please confirm whether Offerors must resubmit items and responses already included with the original proposal (such as Appendix A, Offeror references, housing and transportation costs, and utility rates), or whether only items that were missing from the original proposal must be submitted.

A2: Only submit items that were missing from the original proposal.

Q3: Will UHMC provide additional information (e.g., dimensions, weights, or other measurements), for Work Items to support more accurate cost estimates beyond what can be determined from the drawings and documents already provided?

A3: No additional information will be provided. Offerors shall use the information already provided, including each item's general scope, reference drawings, work description, performance criteria and deliverables, notes, and other applicable documentation, to develop an estimated total cost for each Work Item (except for Work Item 2027-27; see Q5 and A5). Any differences between the Offeror's estimated scope and the actual scope of work may be addressed and negotiated later through a contract change order, as appropriate.

Q4: If a Work Item requests unit prices for multiple installation methods but the actual methods will depend on the actual condition, how should Offerors estimate and submit the Total Cost in Appendix D?

A4: With the exception of Work Item 2027-27, a Total Cost must be provided for each Work Item in

Appendix D which covers completion of the full scope regardless of which listed method(s) are ultimately used. Use the RFP materials already provided (general scope, reference drawings, work description, performance criteria and deliverables, notes, and other applicable documentation) and professional judgment to develop an estimated Total Cost for each Work Item. Any differences between the Offeror's estimated scope and the actual scope of work may be addressed and negotiated later through a contract change order, as appropriate.

Q5: Optional Work Item 2027-27 (Steel Repair, Fish Plate, Deck Drains, Railings & More), was previously clarified as unit-priced due to variable scope. If UHMC now requires a Total Cost in Appendix D, please confirm whether UHMC will provide baseline quantities (lengths, sizes, counts) so Offerors can compute the total.

A5: Upon further review of Work Item 2027-27, UHMC is unable to provide good-faith baseline quantities prior to ship-check; actual scope will depend on conditions found in dock. Accordingly, no Total Cost is required for WI 2027-27 in the BAFO.

- What to submit for Work Item 2027-27: Each Offeror must provide a complete unit-rate schedule for all required categories in Work Item 2027-27. If any required unit rate was not previously provided, submit it now in the BAFO.
- How UHMC will evaluate price for Work Item 2027-27: For evaluation scoring purposes only, UHMC will compute an Evaluation Total by summing the unit rates submitted for the required categories listed below. This figure is not a contract amount.
- After award, Work Item 2027-27 tasks will be authorized in dock and paid at the submitted unit rates against measured quantities per the contract.
- No other pricing or technical changes are permitted beyond completing any missing unit rates for Work Item 2027-27.
- Offerors who have already provided the unit pricing are not required to take any further action.
- Required unit-rate categories for Work Item 2027-27 are provided in Section 7 of Work Item 2027-27, and in the BAFO Amendment – Work Item 2027-27 table, below.

Q6: If a Work Item calls for two separate optional prices, do those optional prices need to be reflected in the Appendix D "Total Cost" field when they were previously entered only in the Comments? If yes, how should the two optional prices be incorporated into the Total Cost?

A6: Yes. Enter one combined Total Cost in Appendix D equal to the sum of the two optional component prices. Do not change unit rates or introduce new assumptions beyond the BAFO scope. The combined Total Cost is used only for evaluation scoring purposes; post-award, UHMC may authorize one or both components at UHMC's discretion.

Q7: Work Item 2027-34 (Replacement of Kongsberg EM122 Multibeam Sonar Array with new EM124 System).

a. Will the Contractor need to install the EM124 transducers using the same bolting pattern and same cable lengths as the existing EM122 installation?

b. Does UHMC anticipate structural modifications for the EM124 installation? If so, what will need to be modified or installed, and should this be priced now?

A7:

a. For BAFO estimating purposes only, assume the EM124 will use the same bolting pattern and cable lengths as the existing EM122. The exact structural modifications required to crop out and fully renew the affected sections are still under review by the naval architects.

b. Structural modifications may be required, and will be confirmed with the naval architect post-award.

What to price in BAFO:

Include the lump-sum Total Cost to remove the EM122 and install the EM124 replacement. All Kongsberg equipment and Kongsberg service technicians will be provided by UHMC. Any differences between the Offeror's estimating assumption and the actual scope of work may be addressed later through a contract change order, as appropriate.

Q8: Please confirm whether the defect-correction warranty periods specified in RFP Section 5.38 (Defect Correction), are negotiable, and whether Offerors should propose changes as part of the BAFO.

A8: RFP Section 5.38 remains as issued; Offerors should not propose alternate warranty terms. After selection, UHMC will address contract terms during post-selection negotiations (per RFP Sections 2.16 and 8.4).

B. BAFO Amendment — Work Item 2027-27

a. No "Total Cost" is required for Work Item 2027-27. Each Offeror shall provide a complete unit-rate schedule covering all categories required by Work Item 2027-27, and restated in the table below. If any required unit rate was not previously provided, provide the unit rate in the BAFO. Offerors who have already provided the unit pricing are not required to take any further action.
b. Price evaluation for Work Item 2027-27 will use an Evaluation Total computed by summing the submitted unit rates for the required categories. This Evaluation Total shall be used for evaluation scoring only and is not a contract amount.

c. Provide the following unit costs in the Comments box of Work Item 2027-27, if not previously provided:

Category	Description	Unit of Measure	Unit Rate (USD)
Plating	Additional Steel Plate Renewal (up to 15mm thickness)	Per Kilogram (kg)	$
Plating	Additional Heavy Plate Renewal (>15mm to 25mm thickness)	Per Kilogram (kg)	$
Fishplates	Additional Fishplate / Flat Bar Stiffener Renewal	Per Linear Meter (m)	$
Fishplates	Additional Fishplate / Half Round Bar Stiffener Renewal	Per Linear Meter (m)	$
Stiffener	Additional T-Bar Stiffener Renewal	Per Linear Meter (m)	$
Railings	Additional Complete Handrail System (Stanchion + Rails)	Per Linear Meter (m)	$
Railings	Top-rail or Mid-rail Pipe Replacement only (No stanchions)	Per Linear Meter (m)	$
Railings	Single Stanchion Replacement only	Per Piece (pc)	$
Kickpipe	Additional Kick-pipe Renewal (from 19 to 40 mm)	Per Piece (pc)	$
Kickpipe	Removal / patch of abandon Kick-pipe and/ or bulkhead wire penetration (0-40mm)	Per Piece (pc)	$

Surface Prep	Additional Rust preservation SSPC-SP 11	Per Square Meter (m2)	$
Testing	Additional Dye Penetrant (DP) or Magnetic Particle (MPI)	Per Meter of Weld	$

Except as modified by this Amendment No.7, all other terms, conditions, and provisions of the original Request for Proposals, Amendment No.1, Amendment No. 2, Amendment No. 3, Amendment No. 4, Amendment No. 5, and Amendment No. 6 remain unchanged and in full force and effect.