LPA Consulting Contract Financial Review



Purpose of this Presentation

This presentation contains financial templates and resource locations that will provide additional information in the analysis and review of consultant fee proposals.



Topics

- Profit Matrix
- Home Office vs. Field Office Overhead Rates
- Unit Pricing
- Employment Cost Index (ECI) vs. Fixed Rate Increase



Profit Margin Calculation Base = 7.00%% Add % Add On <u>Select</u> On <u>Select</u> Complexity Overhead Low 0.0 >190% 0.0 Low/Mid 0.5 >180% & <=190% 0.7 Mid 1.0 >160% & <=180% 1.4 Mid/High 1.5 >120% & <=160% 2.1 High 2.0 0.00% <=120% 2.8 0.00% Cost Duration >\$10,000,000 0.0 <3 years 0.0 >\$2,000,000 & <=\$10,000,000 0.5 >=3 years & <5 years 0.3 >\$500,000 & <=\$2,000,000 1.0 >=5 years 0.7 0.00% <=\$500,000 1.5 0.00% Calculated Total 7.00% Minimum Possible Rate 7.0% Maximum Possible Rate 14.0%



Profit Margin Calculation

Base = 7.00%

	%						
	Add				% Add		
	<u>On</u>	<u>Select</u>			On	<u>Select</u>	
Complexity				Overhead			
Low	0.0			>190%	0.0		
Low/Mid	0.5	1		>180% & <=190%	0.7		
Mid	1.0			>160% & <=180%	1.4	1	
Mid/High	1.5			>120% & <=160%	2.1		
High	2.0		0.50%	<=120%	2.8		1.40%
Cost				Duration			
>\$10,000,000	0.0			<3 years	0.0	1	
>\$2,000,000 & <=\$10,000,000	0.5			>=3 years & <5 years	0.3		
>\$500,000 & <=\$2,000,000	1.0			>=5 years	0.7		0.00%
<=\$500,000	1.5	1	1.50%				
					Calculated Total		10.40%

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Complexity Level – Low:

- On-call contracts that do not include preparation of construction plans.
- Traffic Data Collection and Forecasting
- Environmental Document Preparation –CE/Section 4(f)
- Environmental Services 5.4 to 5.12
- Right of Way Plan Development
- Training
- Shop Plan Review
- Non-bridge inspection services
- Bridge Load Capacity Rating and other Bridge Analysis/Testing
- Operational staffing (such as for TMC dispatch)
- Assistance Program Services



Complexity Level - Low/Mid:

- On-call contracts that include preparation of construction plans.
- Construction Inspection
- Systems Planning
- Non-Complex Traffic Capacity and Operations Analysis
- Non-Complex Roadway Design
- Level 1 Bridge (inspection and design)
- Topographic Survey Data Collection
- Traffic Design 10.1 to 10.6
- Subsurface Utility Engineering



Complexity Level – Mid:

- Environmental Document Preparation -EA
- Traffic Safety Analysis
- Studies requiring special expertise.



Complexity Level - Mid/High:

- Level 2 bridge (inspection and design)
- Complex Traffic Capacity and Operations Analysis
- Complex Roadway Design



Complexity Level - High:

- Environmental Document Preparation -EIS
- Multilevel interchange design
- Level 3 bridge (inspection and design)



Home Office vs. Field Office Overhead Rates

- Look for opportunities to apply Field Office Overhead Rates. Costs can be substantially lowered. Request from the consultant a copy of their most recent prequalification letter for approved overhead rates.
- Inspection services often lend themselves to field rates.
- Here are a couple of examples of the home office vs. field office rates submitted recently by our consultants:
 - Home Office 147.90% vs. Field Office 107.48%
 - Home Office 160.88% vs. Field Office 121.51%



Unit Pricing

- Many LPA contracts contain work that have Unit Price elements.
- Refer to the Consultant web page for detailed INDOT approved unit price information on specific consultant services.
- Watch for consultant "management fees" associated with unit price services. The are negotiable fees.



ECI vs. Fixed Rate Increases

- The Employment Cost Index should be used to determine consultant rate increases on multiyear contracts.
- Refer to the Consultant web page for more information on ECI contract language.
- Watch for automatic 4% billing rate adjustments common with negotiable billing rate contracts.



Analysis Resources

Unit Prices

http://www.in.gov/indot/div/consultants/real-estate-fee-schedules.htm

Profit Matrix

- http://www.in.gov/indot/files/ProfitMatrix.pdf
- http://www.in.gov/indot/files/ComplexityLevels.pdf
- http://www.in.gov/indot/files/ProfitMatrixAppGuidelines.pdf





