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From: Jennifer Sorenson
Sent: Wednesday, June 02, 2010 3:03 PM
To: 'craig@collinsacct.com'
Subject: RE: RFP for Audit Services

Craig,
Here are the answers to your questions and we will post them as an addendum to the RFP on our website.
Thank you.

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From: Craig D. Collins [mailto:craig@collinsacct.com]
Sent: Wednesday, June 02, 2010 2:05 PM
To: Jennifer Sorenson
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Dear Ms. Sorenson:

Our firm is considering a response to the City's request for proposals for audit services. After reviewing the Request for Proposals and the two addenda posted on the City's website, I have a couple of questions.

On page 13 of the Request for Proposals, it states that "The Proposer is also required to submit a copy of the report on its most recent external quality control review (peer review)...." In the case of a recently-formed firm which has not yet undergone a peer review, would this requirement preclude the firm from being selected? **No, it would not preclude the firm from being selected, but may lower your firm's "ranking" in the selection criteria.** My Partner and I have extensive municipal auditing experience and believe we can offer the City a compelling proposal, but our firm was just formed this year. Although we can easily give the City names and phone numbers of references to verify our experience, we are reluctant to submit a proposal if it would not be considered due to the peer review requirement.

On page 14, the RFP also asks for "a list of not less than five (5) client references for whom services similar to those outlined in the RFP are currently being provided." Here again, we can provide references from clients for whom we have provided services in the past, but we are not yet providing services as a new firm at this time. Would we be precluded from selection if the proposal did not contain this element? **Please provide references from clients for whom you have provided services in the past.**

Thanks in advance for your help.

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