

Additional Questions and Answers for the RFP for CRC Project AVFL-17c (Sept. 19, 2013)

Q1. We would like some additional clarification of the following question. Can the answer specifically state if the bidder or CRC provide these vehicles?: Will CRC, or AVFL Committee members, provide vehicles for the vehicle on-board testing?

A1. The bidder should plan on providing all test vehicles.

Q2. Also, how many vehicles should we base the cost proposal on, as this information is not specified in the RFP.

A2. The bidder should determine how many vehicles are needed.

Q3: The RFP states that 4 biodiesel representing 2 levels of saturation and 2 levels of stability will be blended with 2 baseline diesel fuels. Although in the previous released Q&A email CRC mentioned that you are looking for 4 biodiesel blends, the way I understand this section is that the experimental biodiesel blends will be 8 instead of 4. More specifically, an unsaturated B100 and a saturated B100 will be procured. Some of the unsaturated B100 will be treated with antioxidant (stable B100) and some will no contain antioxidant. The same method will be applied for the saturated B100 fuel. By doing this we will achieve the 2 levels of stability as requested by the RFP. The 4 B100 fuels will then be blended with the baseline diesels creating a total of 8 Bxx blends. Is that correct?

A3: The bidder should propose for the maximum number of blends suggested in the RFP with options to have fewer fuels if all fuels are not selected in the final program.

Q4: For the onboard and laboratory simulation testing, I would assume that all the experimental biodiesel blends and baseline diesels need to be tested. Is that correct.

A4: The bidder should design a program that most efficiently addresses the potential issues raised in the statement of work. The statement of work provides suggestions on the scope of the test program but CRC is inviting bidders to propose the simplest and yet the most thorough approach for addressing the issues indicated.