

MONTGOMERY COLLEGE - OFFICE OF BUSINESS SERVICES
BE 020 RECONFIGURATION FOR BIO-SAFETY CABINET ADDITIONS, GERMANTOWN CAMPUS
RFP NO.: E622-001
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THIS ADDENDUM IS TO PROVIDE ANSWERS TO THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:

NOTE: Similar requests for information that were received from different Contractors have been grouped under a single addendum item where appropriate, with a single comprehensive answer provided.

- Item 1-1 Question: **VCT Material:** Note # 17 on drawing A1.2 indicates that existing VCT needs to be repaired. Please review and advise if MC may have attic stock that can be used for patching work. If MC does not have attic stock, please provide the VCT manufacturer and product if available.
- Answer: Existing VCT floor tile is Tarkett V-234-3. Montgomery College can provide two boxes of VCT tile for this project. Should project require more material, then Contractor shall be responsible for procuring more.
- Item 1-2 Question: **South Wall Elev 4/A1.2:** Note 09 indicates for wall to be patched where casework was removed. We noticed that there will a side of the Tall Cabinet, which is to remain, that may or may not have a finished side. Please review and advise if we need to assume that cabinet is not finished and if so, please confirm that the side is to be laminated to have a finished side.
- Answer: Assume side of cabinet is not properly finished with laminate/veneer and needs to be properly finished by the Contractor. Confirmed that side is to be laminated with matching veneer to existing.
- Item 1-3 Question: **Science Cabinets to Remain 2/A1.2:** Floor Plan 1/A1.2 shows an overall length of 7'-1" for the Science Cabinet that is to remain. Based on the existing conditions, we believe that the finish product will be 7'-3" (overall length of countertop). Please review and confirm that 7'-3" overall dimension will be acceptable. We believe that the Bio-Safety Cabinet will fit as intended.
- Answer: The 7'-1" dimension is based on the existing length of countertop available on the plan-South Island from plan-west-end to central joint. The intent is for this portion of countertop to be salvaged and reinstalled without being cut (other countertop section is removed), the undercounter countertop support needs to move plan-west slightly to give the proper 1" overhang off the end of the countertop, and the nearest knee space on both sides of island needs to be reduced in width to coordinate. At the plan-north island, the countertop is to be cut down to match this length in the final installation, and the same adjustments to undercounter countertop support and knee space are to be implemented.

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Item 1-4 **Question:** **Snorkel Relocation:** Based on drawings MD1.1 and M1.1, we believe that design intent is to remove and relocate the snorkel exhaust. We believe that the snorkel relocation will require for additional framing above the ceiling and also ceiling repair. We do not believe that the bid documents have accounted for this work, please review and advise if additional support is required. If so, please provide proposed details for the new framing. Also advise if existing framing is to be removed and if ceiling tile/grid repair is required. If ceiling tile/grid repair is required, please provide information with regards to the type of ceiling tile and grid.

Answer: The intent is to move the snorkel exhaust at both the plan-north island and plan-South Island approximately 48" to the plan-west. Remove snorkel extraction arm and all accessories (ceiling trim piece, unistrut and threaded rod above-ceiling supports, etc.) and relocate this distance for reinstall. Existing ceiling tile is Armstrong Ultima Beveled Tegular Humiguard Plus. Contractor to procure ceiling tile for installation for this project.



Item 1-5 **Question:** **ME1.1 General Requirements 01 1100 Note B:** Please confirm that note B is applicable to this project. If so, please advise if MC has filed for a building permit. Also advised of DPS Inspections will be applicable.

Answer: Disregard Note B. Building permits will not be required for this project.

Item 1-6 **Question:** **ME1.1 General Requirements 01 1100 Note L:** Please review and advise if this note is applicable with regards to approval and inspections from authorities having jurisdiction.

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Answer: Inspections by AHJ are not required.

Item 1-7 Question: **ME1.1 Testing, Adjusting and Balancing 23 9500:** Please review and confirm that this requirement is applicable for this project. If so, please advise on the anticipated testing and balancing work since the requirement indicates that a certified balancing report needs to be provided. Based on our review of the documents, the HVAC subcontractor will need to add 3" duct for the relocation of the snorkel, there is no other HVAC work.

Answer: Confirmed. Provide TAB report for relocated extraction arms.

Item 1-8 Question: What is the make and model of the existing ceiling grid?

Answer: Refer to response to Question 4 above.

Item 1-9 Question: Whom do we contact to gain access to the electrical closet when needed? How far in advance do we need to notify the facility management team?

Answer: Please contact Yuling Mei at yuling.mei@montgomerycollege.edu to arrange for access to the electrical closet.

Item 1-10 Question: Who will be the projects POC while working onsite?

Answer: On-site POC will be established after the contract award.

Item 1-11 Question: Please confirm that the existing Bio Safety Cabinets will stay in place during demo? Per the site walk, the GC shall just protect and cover.

Answer: Existing Bio Safety Cabinets can stay in place during demo, but Contractor is responsible for demonstrating that they are in working condition at the end of the project. They can be tested along with the new bio-safety cabinets.

Item 1-12 Question: Please confirm that Montgomery College has attic stock for baseboard, ceiling tile and VCT flooring for patch and repairs needed per the drawings.

Answer: Refer to response to questions 1 & 4 above for VCT and ceiling tile. Montgomery College does not have sufficient attic stock of baseboard for the project. Contractor is responsible for procuring. Existing baseboard is Johnsonite 4" high toeless in Platinum color.

Item 1-13 Question: Who is responsible for setting up /installing the new Bio Safety Cabinets?

Answer: The Contractor is responsible for installing and testing new bio-safety cabinets.

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Item 1-14 Question: The existing countertop has a seam at 7" 5/8". Can we modify the cabinetry underneath to fit this new dimension in order to avoid having to install a new counter to the 7'-1" per detail 2/A1.2?

Answer: Refer to response to Question 3 above.

Item 1-15 Question: Sheet A1.2 - Note (12), please clarify the location of the new Bio Safe Cabinet and how much notice do we need to give prior to the delivery? Has the Bio Safe Cabinet been ordered?

Answer: The location is the plan-southeast corner of the room. The new Bio Safety Cabinets have been ordered.

Item 1-16 Question: Sheet A1.2 - Note (13) does not show a vac, gas or air installation on the new work, does this new make and model not require it?

Answer: Compressed air, natural gas, and vacuum are to be removed from the existing biosafety cabinets. New biosafety cabinets do not require these services.

Item 1-17 Question: Note (14), please clarify the location of the storage and how much notice we need to give prior to the incubator and carbon dioxide being delivered to the workspace.

Answer: Existing incubator and carbon dioxide tanks have been removed from room 020 to a different location in the building by Montgomery College. Contractor to move the incubator and carbon dioxide tanks back into 020.

Item 1-18 Question: Who is responsible for commissioning/testing the BSC? Will we need NSF/ANSI 49?

Answer: Contractor is responsible for testing complying with NSF/ANSI 49.

Specification Sections or Portions Reissued in Entirety

None

Drawings Reissued in Entirety

None


Sketches

None

Items Issued for Informational Purposes

None

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