

ADDENDUM NO. 3

Request for Proposal: RFP 2027-03-VIT Mobile PPE Services
Closing Date: October 30, 2026 @ 2:00 p.m.

The following questions and answers are provided for all offerors:

- Q1. For the life jackets, it calls out class 3. Is that referring to the level of reflective or is that the US Coast Guard "Type" specification required?

It's important that we know the amount of reflective level and what type floatation device is needed.

- A1. PFDs (life preservers, life jackets, or work vests) worn by each affected employee must be United States Coast Guard (USCG) approved pursuant to 46 CFR part 160 (Type I, II, III, or V PFD) and marked for use as a work vest, for commercial use, or for use on vessels. Recent changes to the USCG classification require the following. SOLAS Grade Approved Material: All reflective tape must be Type I retroreflective material approved under USCG series 164.018 (which complies with the International Maritime Organization's SOLAS standards). Minimum Coverage Area: Each life vest must have a minimum of 200 square centimeters (approx. 31 square inches) of reflective material on the front side, and at least 200 square centimeters on the back side. Vests must also be high-visibility color, typically international orange. The USCG is moving away from (Type I, II, etc.) Instead, USCG is using a new classification system. Based on the new system, the port will need a buoyancy level of 100 minimum.

- Q2. With a full line of shoe options available to the end user; what is the expectation for every visit to have on hand from a shoe stocking perspective? Will there be certain styles available and needing to be stocked in all sizes with the remaining option available for ship direct model to the warehouse?

- A2. We would like as much availability as possible but understand that some sizes may need to be ordered and delivered. We will likely further define the boot requirements that will reduce the options available to the workforce.

- Q3. To clarify question #25. We provide some of this PPE through an onsite solution. Outside of shoes which would be handled differently than the other parts. Would we be able to extend the parts on this PPE bid to our offering inside the fence that currently exists today?

- A3. Yes, as long as there is room in the areas that are currently allotted for additional stock

- Q4. Would VIT need a way to track restrictions and consumption between the two PPE programs to ensure that parts that overlap between the two contracts are not abused or over consumed by the end users?
- A4. Yes, the port needs to be able to track the PPE we are supplying.
- Q5. For the life jackets, it calls out class 3 on the bid. Is that spec referring to the level of reflectiveness or is that the US Coast Guard "Type" specification associated with the life vest? It is important that we know the amount of reflective level and what type of floatation device is needed.
- A5. Please see A1 above.
- Q6. If we propose a non-mobile container that would be manned at specific service times, does VIT have the area to hold in a secure location? If so, what does that entail from a security standpoint?
- A6. It is likely that we could find space and the container would remain locked when not staffed.
- Q7. Within addendum 2, VIT stated, "one we have the initial sizing complete, we would prefer to spread out visits." Can VIT provide further clarification what is meant by spreading out visits? Does this mean service is not expected two times per week at the two identified locations in the RFP?
- A7. This will have to be discussed with the awardee and the need evaluated as PPE is utilized. It is anticipated that initially there will be a need to provide twice per week until we have satisfied the initial first round. We will then evaluate the need and service level for each terminal.
- Q8. Can VIT provide an estimate of the average number of employee transactions expected per week at each location?
- A8. Initially we will need to have staff measured and supplied. We anticipate around 1500 staff will need measured and receive a minimum of boots, vest, gloves, and hard hat. A select number of staff will be evaluated for the need for a life vest and gloves based on tier job duties. This number is anticipated to be 50. It is difficult to state the average weekly PPE need because we do not currently track PPE with regularity.

Q9. Of the approximately 2,500 eligible employees, how many employees redeemed footwear allowances during the last 12 months? In addition, for these eligible employees will it be mandated for them to utilize this program and contract for footwear?

A9. The boot program is new and we do not have records to reference. We are not regularly tracking other PPE distribution. In most cases the port will require the employee to use the PPE provided.

Q10. Is there an incumbent supplier currently or previously providing any portion of these services?

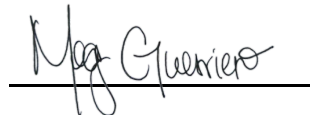
A10. Yes, except boots and life vests.

Q11 If so, what aspects of the current program is VIT looking to improve through this solicitation?

A11. Provide a mobile boot truck with other PPE offerings as needed.

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Best Regards,



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