

26RFP004 PFAS Sample Analysis
Addendum #1 Questions and Answers
Issued: 04/09/2026

Question Number	Date Received	Question	Answer
Q1-1	03/26/2026 10:18 AM	There are no Contract or Agreement Terms & Conditions presented in the RFP. Will these be negotiated with awardee?	<i>Some contract provisions may be negotiable. Without exception, non-negotiable items include but may not be limited to any provisions relating to 2 CFR 200 and/or other applicable laws, and the not-to-exceed amount of the contract as applicable.</i>
Q1-2	03/26/2026 10:18 AM	C. Project Tasks, Item 3. State that either EPA 537.1 or EPA 533 will be used. Attachment B has only one (1) price to submit, and is it possible to submit a unit rate for each method?	<i>See Attachment B - Revised Price Form (page 5). Please use the revised Attachment B for your proposals.</i>
Q1-3	03/26/2026 10:18 AM	Regarding C. Project Tasks, Item 2. Shipping. Will the lab ship all containers to a single location?	<i>All containers will be shipped to: ATTN: Dan Isler Southern Nevada Health District 280 S Decatur Blvd. Las Vegas, NV 89107</i>
Q1-4	03/26/2026 10:18 AM	Regarding B. Proposal Preparation and Submission, 3. PRICE (Submit as separate PDF), Item b. Will the SNHD pay for the return shipping costs?	<i>SNHD will pay return shipping costs.</i>
Q2-1	03/26/2026 2:36 PM	How many private wells are located in the District?	<i>Approximately 6,800.</i>
Q2-2	03/26/2026 2:36 PM	“The Project period will be through 10/31/2028 or until budgeted funds are fully expended.” What is the budget for this contract?	<i>The EC-SDC grant funding 26RFP004 is \$262,000. PFAS sample analysis is one of four tasks required by the grant. The grant does not specify a budget for each required task.</i>
Q2-3	03/26/2026 2:36 PM	Section 3.b. refers to a similar project that resulted in 167 samples. Over what period of time were those samples collected? What lab was the contractor and what were that contract’s unit price(s)?	<i>SDWA Domestic Water Analysis Panel testing began in October 2021 and continues. The most active period was 2023-2024, during which 110 samples were collected. ASSET Laboratories tests for metals (As, Cu, Fe, Pb, Mg, Mn, Na, Zn), anions (Chloride, Fluoride, Sulfate, Nitrate/Nitrite), pH, TDS, and total coliform/E.coli at \$226.60 per sample.</i>

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Q3-1	04/03/2026 11:41 AM	Do you have a preferred PFAS testing method between EPA533 vs. EPA 537.1v2 or is this up to lab discretion?	<i>Both methods include the 6 regulated PFAS compounds [(PFOA, PFOS, PFNA, PFHxS, GenX/HFPO-DA, and PFBS)]. The Lab may use whichever method (EPA 533 or EPA 537.1) it is certified by the NDEP to use.</i>
Q3-2	04/03/2026 11:41 AM	Both EPA methods require Field Reagent Blank (FRB) testing if PFAS is found in the primary sample. Is FRB analysis included in the estimated 165 samples? If not, are you expecting the FRB to be analyzed with every sample?	<i>As noted, SNHD estimates a total of 165 samples over the project duration. Lab will provide sample kits as required per RFP Section II.C.1.a-c. FRB analysis is required for each sampling.</i>
Q3-3	04/03/2026 11:41 AM	We are currently in the process of applying for Nevada Division of Environmental Protection certification. Can labs operate under NELAP accreditation while certification is pending?	<i>Per the RFP, "To be eligible to submit a proposal, Proposer must be an analytical laboratory certified for PFAS analyses by NDEP."</i>
Q4-1	04/03/2026 2:10 PM	Can you please provide the PFAS target list required.	<i>The EPA currently regulates six specific (PFAS) compounds through the National Primary Drinking Water Regulation (NPDWR) finalized in April 2024. These are the required PFAS target list, along with the additional compounds included in the 18 analytes listed for EPA 537.1 and the 25 analytes listed for EPA 533.</i>
Q5-1	04/06/2026 9:18 AM	Will SNHD be discussing the results with the clients or is the expectation that the laboratory to do that?	<i>SNHD will discuss analytical results with residential clients. However, SNHD may inquire with Lab about analytical results.</i>
Q5-2	04/06/2026 9:18 AM	Are results being submitted to both SNHD and the residential client?	<i>Lab will submit analytical results to SNHD's designated point(s) of contact</i>
Q5-3	04/06/2026 9:18 AM	Does return shipping of samples to the laboratory need to be included in the bid?	<i>No, SNHD will pay return shipping costs.</i>
Q6-1	04/06/2026 9:55 AM	[T]he specific contents and format of the Level III data package are not defined in the RFP. Could you please clarify what documentation and deliverables are expected as part of the Level III data package? For example, should this include full raw data packages (e.g., calibration data, QC summaries, chromatograms, case narratives, etc.), or is there a specific standard or guidance document you would like laboratories to follow?	<i>Lab may choose the format of the Level III data package. However, the Level III data package must contain the information/deliverables specified on page 4.</i>

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Q6-2	04/06/2026 9:55 AM	[Are there] any specific formatting, electronic deliverable, or validation requirements beyond the standard Level III expectations.	<i>Lab must provide analytical results electronically in .pdf and electronic data deliverable (EDD)(.xlsx or .csv) formats as per RFP Section II.D.1. The EDD (.xlsx or .csv) deliverable preferred would be EPA's SEDD Stage 2a format as an XML file in Excel.</i>

Level III Data Package Required Deliverables

1. Sample Identification and Documentation

- a. Case Narrative: A written summary by the lab describing the analysis, any issues encountered (e.g., matrix interferences), and any deviations from the standard method.*
- b. Chain of Custody (CoC): Complete documentation showing the sample's journey from collection to lab receipt, including timestamps and signatures.*
- c. Sample Receipt Checklist: Documentation of sample condition upon arrival, including temperature and preservation check*

2. Analytical Results

- a. Target Analyte Results: Concentrations for the specific PFAS compounds tested*
- b. Method Detection Limits (MDL) and Reporting Limits (RL): The lowest concentrations the lab can reliably detect and quantify.*
- c. Data Qualifiers: Standard codes (like "J" for estimated values) that flag specific data points for the reviewer*

3. Quality Control (QC) Summaries

- a. Method Blanks: Results showing the absence of contamination during the lab's preparation and analysis process.*
- b. Laboratory Control Samples (LCS): Recovery percentages for known concentrations of PFAS spiked into "clean" water to verify lab accuracy.*
- c. Matrix Spikes (MS) and Duplicates: Data showing how the specific water sample matrix affected the recovery and precision of the target analytes.*
- d. Surrogate/Internal Standard Recoveries: Reports on the recovery of isotopically labeled compounds added to every sample to monitor extraction efficiency.*

4. Instrumental Calibration Summaries

- a. Initial Calibration (ICAL): A summary of the multi-point curve used to establish the instrument's response across various concentrations.*
- b. Continuing Calibration Verification (CCV): Data from check-standards run periodically during the analysis to ensure the instrument remained calibrated.*
- c. Instrument Blanks: Proof that the instrument was free of "carryover" between different samples.*

5. Detailed Reports and Calculations

- a. Quantitation Reports: Summarized data for each sample, including retention times and peak areas for the target analytes.*
- b. Calculation Examples: Typical formulas the lab used to convert raw instrument signals into the final reported parts-per-trillion (ppt) concentrations*

Attachment B
Revised Price Form

Per sample prices shall include all labor, materials, tools, supplies, equipment and services necessary to comply with the specifications, terms and conditions set forth in this RFP. SNHD will pay return shipping costs. No additional costs may be billed without prior SNHD approval. Per sample prices shall be valid for 90 days.

EPA method 533 per sample price: _____

EPA method 537.1 per sample price: _____

Company Name: _____

Authorized Signature: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name and Title: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____