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The following questions were submitted by a potential bidder on FCERA's RFP for Audit Services.

- 1. What is the desired timeline for testing?
 - a. We are accustomed to having interim testing performed in May/June and final testing in October.
- 2. What is the deadline for issuance of the draft reports?
 - a. Our goal is Thanksgiving, but that is not set in stone.
- 3. What is the deadline for issuance of the final report?
 - Final reports must be available for Board approval no later than the second Thursday in December.
- 4. When will the books be available for review?
 - a. Preliminary work can be performed at any time prior to October. The "books" will be available for review in October for completion of the audit.
- 5. Were there significant changes to the operation?
 - a. No significant changes have occurred in the last year.
- 6. Please provide a copy of the past year management letter?
 - a. The Report to Management is available on FCERA's website. From the homepage, select Financial & Actuarial Reports Financial Reports Report to Management.
- 7. Please provide a copy of the past year management letter.
 - a. See response to question 6.
- 8. Please provide a copy of the current internal financial statements
 - a. The Comprehensive Annual Financial Report is available on FCERA's website. From the homepage, select Financial & Actuarial Reports – Financial Reports – Comprehensive Annual financial report (CAFR).
- 9. How long has the current audit firm performed audits for your organization?
 - a. The contract was penned with Brown Armstrong in 2006.

- 10. Why are you changing auditors?
 - a. The Board believes that a thoughtful review of the market should be performed periodically to ensure that FCERA continues to operate with a high level of success.
- 11. Are the current auditors invited to submit a proposal for this RFP?
 - a. Yes.
- 12. How many auditors were on site for both interim and final work?
 - a. There are typically between 3 and 6 auditors on site during field work.
- 13. How long were the auditors on site?
 - a. The auditors are typically on site for 3 to 5 days.
- 14. Is there anything specific you are looking for with the successor auditors?
 - a. No.
- 15. Were there any adjusting entries last year?
 - a. Yes. One adjusting entry was made as a result of the audit.