

RFO 2026-02 for Legal Services as Governance Counsel

Responses to Questions Submitted

1. Can you confirm that the due date and time is Saturday, May 30, by 4:00 PM (PT)?

Yes, that is the due date.

2. Is submitting a monthly flat fee optional or mandatory? (i.e. if our preference is to propose hourly rates for all services, we do not need to submit a monthly flat fee for routine matters)? Can MCE provide any estimate of the anticipated number of hours per month for such matters?

Submitting a monthly flat fee is optional. Different firms have different pricing structures, such as hourly billing, monthly flat fee for routine advice, and/or flat rate per deliverable. We are open to considering any of these options, or another pricing structure that offerors may wish to propose. If an offer proposes an hourly rate for all services, there is no need to also propose a monthly flat fee for routine matters.

At this juncture, we cannot provide an estimate of the anticipated number of hours per month. Our needs on these issues ebb and flow as matters arise.

3. Can MCE provide any guidance surrounding financial constraints, rate limitations, or anticipated cost related to this RFP? We would like to ensure our proposal is in line with MCE's expectations.

We are a public agency that seeks to use our ratepayer revenue wisely.

4. Is there a timeline in mind for when the governance review might begin?

The RFP for the governance assessment contemplates completion of the contractor selection process by June 30, 2026. So work would commence after that time.