Appendix D. Estimate Types / Uncertainty Tables for M&S, Labor, Conventional Facilities

| Code | Type of Estimate | Contingency % | Description | |
|----------------|---------------------------------------|---------------|---|--|
| M&S Guidelines | | | | |
| | | | Items that have been completed or obligated. (Note: Contact Change Orders are | |
| | | | considered a Risk and should not be included as estimate uncertainty | |
| M1 | Existing Purchase Order | 0% | contingency) | |
| | | | M&S items such as travel, software purchases and upgrades, computers, etc. | |
| M2 | Procurements for LOE / Oversight work | 0%-20% | estimated to support LOE efforts and other work activities. | |
| | | | Items for which there is a catalog price or recent vendor quote based on a | |
| | | | completed or nearly completed design or an existing design with little or no | |
| M3 | Advanced | 10%-20% | modifications and for which the costs are documented. | |
| | | | Items that can be readily estimated from a reasonably detailed but not | |
| | | | completed design; items adapted from existing designs but with moderate | |
| | | | modifications, which have documented costs from past projects. A recent | |
| | | | vendor survey (e.g., budgetary quote, vendor RFI response) based on a | |
| M4 | Preliminary | 20%-40% | preliminary design belongs here. | |
| | | | Items with a documented conceptual level of design; items adapted from | |
| | | | existing designs but with extensive modifications, which have documented | |
| M5 | Conceptual | 40%-60% | costs from past projects | |
| | | | Items that do not have a documented conceptual design, but do have | |
| | | | documented costs from past projects. Use of this estimate type indicates little | |
| | | | confidence in the estimate. Its use should be minimized when completing the | |
| M6 | Pre-Conceptual - Common work | 60%-80% | final estimate. | |
| | | | Items that do not have a documented conceptual design, and have no | |
| | | | documented costs from past projects. Its use should be minimized when | |
| M7 | Pre-Conceptual - Uncommon work | 80%-100% | completing the final estimate. | |
| | | | Items that do not have a documented conceptual design, and have no | |
| | | | documented costs from past projects. Technical requirements are beyond the | |
| M8 | Beyond state of the art | >100% | state of the art. | |

| Code | Type of Estimate | Contingency % | Description | | |
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| LABOR G | LABOR Guidelines | | | | |
| L1 | Actual | 0% | Actual costs incurred on activities completed to date. | | |
| | | | Support type activities that must be done to support other work activities or the | | |
| | | | entire project effort, where estimated effort is based on the duration of the | | |
| L2 | Level of Effort Tasks | 0%-20% | activities it is supporting. | | |
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| | | | Based on experience with documented identical or nearly identical work. | | |
| | | | Development of activities, resource requirements, and schedule constraints are | | |
| L3 | Advanced | 10%-25% | highly mature. Technical requirements are very straightforward to achieve. | | |
| | | | Based on direct experience with similar work. Development of activities, | | |
| | | | resource requirements, and schedule constraints are defined at a preliminary | | |
| | | | (beyond conceptual) design level. Technical requirements are achievable and | | |
| L4 | Preliminary | 25%-40% | with some precedent. | | |
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| | | | Based on expert judgment using some experience as a reference. Development | | |
| | | 100/ 500/ | of activities, resource requirements, and schedule constraints are defined at a | | |
| L5 | Conceptual | 40%-60% | conceptual level. Technical requirements are moderately challenging. | | |
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| | | | Based only on expert judgment without similar experience. Development of | | |
| | | | activities, resource requirements, and schedule constraints are defined at a pre- | | |
| L6 | Pre-conceptual | 60%-80% | conceptual level. Technical requirements are moderately challenging. | | |
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| | | | Based only on expert judgment without similar experience. Development of | | |
| | | | activities, resource requirements, and schedule constraints is largely | | |
| L7 | Rough Estimate | 80%-100% | incomplete. Technical requirements are challenging. | | |
| | | | No experience available for reference. Activities, resource requirements, and | | |
| | | | schedule constraints are completely undeveloped. Technical requirements are | | |
| L8 | Beyond state of the art | >100% | beyond the state of the art. | | |

Appendix D Continued

