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January 31, 2022

Re: Addendum No. 1

RFB No. 22-097-B

Analytical Laboratory Services

Please be advised of the following change(s) to the above referenced solicitation.

CHANGE 1:

1. Specification has been replaced with *Revised Specification – Addendum No. 1*, dated 01/31/2022, to remove Section 6.1.2.1.1 and Section 8. Liquidated Damages.

CHANGE 2:

2. *Special Conditions, Section 5. Bid Questions & Clarification*, has been revised to read as follows:

All questions regarding this request for bid shall be submitted, in writing, to ntmwd.bonfirehub.com (strongly recommended) or via email to dleong@ntmwd.com no later than **Wednesday, February 2, 2022, at 12:00 PM Central Time**. All questions will be address in an addendum. Questions received after the deadline may not be answered.

CHANGE 3:

3. Bid Pricing Form has been replaced with Revised Bid Pricing Form – Addendum 1 2022-01-31 to update reference numbers for analytical tables in the specification. Bidders must use this form or may be deemed non-responsive.

QUESTIONS RECEIVED AT PRE-BID MEETING

QUESTION 1: Are estimated quantities in bid pricing form accurate?

ANSWER 1: Yes.

QUESTION 2: What is the required turnaround time?

ANSWER 2: See *Specification, Section 5.5*.

QUESTION 3: Is there an EDD required?

ANSWER 3: See *Specification, Sections 4.1.3 and 6.1.1.1*, and *Specifications – Exhibit A*.

QUESTION 4: Commodity classifications included one for organic waste. Is this project more about water and wastewater? Is solids testing required?

ANSWER 4: Water and wastewater are the primary sample media; solids testing can be

required on occasion.

QUESTION 5: Are labs within our network of labs okay to use?

ANSWER 5: Yes. Please review *Specification, Section 5.2. Subcontractors* proposed for use must be approved by NTMWD.

QUESTION 6: What items have short holds?

ANSWER 6: Chromium, trivalent and Chromium, hexavalent as found in *Specification, Section 9.5 Permit Renewal (TCEQ-10054 Domsetic Worksheet 4.0)*.

QUESTION 7: Is Miscellaneous Test in the Optional Items on the bid pricing form for every possible test?

ANSWER 7: It is a catch-all discount in the event NTMWD has an unforeseen need.

QUESTION 8: What are normal business hours for pickups?

ANSWER 8: See *Specification, Section 8*, for delivery/pick-up location and normal hours of operation.

QUESTIONS RECEIVED PRIOR TO THE DEADLINE

QUESTION 1: Will NTMWD accept, as a part of our proposal, clarifying notes related to specific terms and conditions? These notes would not directly take exception to anything listed in the RFB but rather add additional text to further define them??

ANSWER 1: No. Notes or exceptions included with your bid response may deem it non-responsive. Any questions or changes requested to the terms and conditions need to be submitted by the Question Due Date. See Change No. 2 for the new question due date.

QUESTION 2: To accept the potential for liquidated damages, we would need to have some commitment from NTMWD to assist in scheduling to ensure that lab capacity is available when needed. Additionally, the penalties do appear excessive. Will NTMWD accept modifications to subsections 8.1 and 8.2 regarding the specific penalties, as a part of or proposal?

ANSWER 2: See Change No. 1.

THE ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, MODIFICATIONS, AND/OR CLARIFICATIONS TAKE PRECEDENCE OVER THE INITIAL SOLICITATION AND SHALL BE MADE TO THE APPROPRIATE SECTIONS OF THE REFERENCED DOCUMENT AND SHALL BECOME PART OF THE CONTRACT DOCUMENTS. THE ORIGINAL REQUIREMENTS NOT AFFECTED BY THIS ADDENDUM SHALL REMAIN IN EFFECT.

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RESPONDENTS SHALL ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF THIS ADDENDUM FOR RFB NO. 22-097-B BY SIGNING BELOW AND RETURNING THIS ADDENDUM WITH THE SUBMITTAL.

Company Name

Signed Date

Respectfully,

Dave Leong

Dave Leong
Senior Buyer
Purchasing Department
North Texas Municipal Water District