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Addendum # 1 Disaster Debris Management

Date of Addendum: 4/4/23

NOTICE TO ALL BIDDERS AND PLANHOLDERS

The Proposal Documents for the above-referenced Project are modified as set forth in this Addendum. The original Proposal Documents and any previously issued addenda remain in full force and effect, except as modified by this Addendum, which is hereby made part of the Proposal Documents. Vendors will take this Addendum into consideration when preparing and submitting a Proposal, and shall acknowledge receipt of this Addendum in the space provided in the Proposal Documents.

PROPOSAL SUBMITTAL DEADLINE

The Proposal submittal time has been changed from Tuesday, April 11, 2023 at 2:30pm to Wednesday, April 19, 2023 at 2:30pm.

1.0 - CLARIFICATIONS		
The following clarifications are provided as a matter of information to clarify issues raised about the Proposal		
Documents.		
Item	Description	
1.1	ADDITION under Section IV, Subsection P. AWARD	
	"The County reserves the right to award the contract to other than the lowest-price offeror."	
1.2	The County has received a review of the Proposal Documents from FEMA with recommended	
	changes/clarifications. Additional information will be provided to these recommendations in Addendum 2.	

2.0 – QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS			
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Item	Questions and Answers		
2.1	Q. Can the County confirm the term of this contract is for 5 years?		
	A. Correct, that is the intent.		
2.2	Q. How soon does the contractor have to mobilize after a disaster event?		
	A. Initial management team onsite within 48hrs with initial workforce in 96hrs.		
2.3	Q. Payment and performance bonds are a hard cost to the contractor for a contract that may not be activated.		
	Will the County consider changing payment and performance bonds to be due upon notice to proceed?		
	A. Yes, payment and performance bonds will not be due until a notice to proceed has been given.		
2.4	Q. Typically C&D is reduced through compaction because grinding is too hazardous for DMS operators and		
	is also very destructive for grinders. Will the County consider removing reduction of C&D through		
	grinding?		
	A. The County has removed reduction of C&D through grinding.		
2.5	Q. Will annual contract price increases based on Consumer Price Index (CPI) be allowed?		
	A. The County will consider price increases after the initial 5-year contract period for the potential three		
	additional one-year terms. All price increase requests will be based on CPI.		

2.6	Q. What was the last event that impacted the County which required activation and performance by the
2.6	County's disaster debris management contractor?
	A. The County has never had a debris management contract in the past
2.7	Q. How many cubic yards of debris was collected in that event?
	A. No data is available
	Q. Which Contractor held the previous or holds the current contract for the services requested in this
2.8	solicitation?
	A. No former contract
	Q. Does the County currently have a disaster debris monitoring firm under contract, and if so, with which
2.0	company(ies)?
2.9	A. There is no monitoring contract in place. Expect to release a monitoring RFP after execution of
	management contract.
	Q. Please provide the names and titles of the evaluation committee members.
2.10	A. Names of evaluation committee members are not released. After award of a contract, vendors may
	schedule a debrief call to discuss their proposal with the County's Procurement Officer.
	Q. Please provide the date, time, and location when the evaluation committee meeting will be held to
	evaluate proposals.
2.11	A. The members of the evaluation committee will complete their evaluations individually and submit them
2.11	to the Procurement Officer. The County will then meet as a group to discuss the individual evaluations
	and select the vendor(s) that offer the best value to Worcester County.
	Q. Where will the evaluation committee meeting notice be posted?
2.12	A. These meetings are not open to the public. Please see above in regards to a debrief.
	Q. Will the intent to award be provided to proposers? If so, how will it be communicated to proposers?
2.12	
2.13	A. An award notice will be sent once a decision has been made. At that time, vendors may schedule a
	debrief.
2.14	Q. Does the County own any self-loading grapple trucks, and if so, how many?
	A. No
	Q. If the scope of work for white good removal includes the removal and disposal of any putrescent food
2.1.5	from refrigerators or freezers, will vendors be paid for the putrescent removal per the "Putrescent
2.15	Removal" line item in the pricing schedule?
	A. Putrescent removal to be performed as part of the white goods processing, documented per FEMA PA
	guidance, and paid based on line item of pricing schedule
	Q. The working hours noted in SECTION III: GENERAL CONDITIONS Paragraph K. Time for
2.16	Completion seem to conflict with the hours listed in SECTION IV: PROPOSAL SPECIFICATIONS,
2.10	E.5.a. Can the county please clarify the working hours?
	A. The County intends the working hours to be daylight hours seven days a week during a disaster event.
	Q. Taking into consideration that the County is seeking to enter into contracts at no immediate or annual
	cost to Worcester County, can the County please clarify if bonding will be required after receipt of
2.17	contract, or after contract activation when services are required (reference: SECTION III.O.2 and
	SECTION IV.G.2.)?
	A. Payment and performance bonds will not be due until a notice to proceed (contract activation) has been
	given.
	Q. For the proposal requirements listed in SECTION IV. G.2. regarding bonding, can the county please
2.18	clarify what exactly vendors are required to include in Section 2 of our proposal? Will a letter from our
2.10	bonding company indicating our firms bonding ability/capacity suffice for this section?
	A. A bonding letter will suffice for the submission.
	Q. Does the County intend to allow all or some of the incorporated municipalities within the county to
2.19	utilize this contract, and if so, which ones?
2.17	A. County intends to the greatest extent possible to make this contract vehicle accessible to all incorporated
	municipalities within the county to include the Ocean Pines Homeowners Association.
2.20	Q. Will this contract be used to perform services on any state roads within the County in lieu of the MDOT
	performing those services?
	A. It is not the intention of the County that the SOW of this contract would include the removal of debris
	from state roadways or other state property.
	Q. If the answer to the previous question is yes, does the County have a pre-existing Memorandum of
2.21	Understanding (MOU) or Mutual Aid agreement with the MDOT that authorizes the County to perform
	debris removal services on state roads? A. N/A

2.22	 Q. Regarding the evaluation of the Pricing, does the County intend on adding up all unit price line items to get a total figure to compare against other proposer's or will there be estimated quantities assigned to calculate a total extended price? A. Estimated quantities are unknown. The County will evaluate unit pricing.
2.23	Q. If quantities are going to be assigned, what will they be? A. N/A
2.24	Q. Regarding the evaluation of the hourly pricing, how does the County intend on evaluating the hourly line items?A. Hourly rates will be evaluated in comparison to each other.

END OF ADDENDUM