University of New Mexico Hospitals

Request for Proposals Addendum No. 2

RFP Project Name and Number: P400-19 Hospital Waste Management



<u>Due Date: March 29, 2019, 2:00 p.m. MST</u>

The time and date proposals are due shall be strictly observed.

ADDENDUM NUMBER TWO

THE UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO HOSPITALS Purchasing Department

RFP Number: RFPP400-19 Name of Procurement Specialist: Chris Lechalk Due Date: March 26, 2019, 2:00PM MST Addendum #2: See Below

The purpose of this Addendum is to notify all potential respondents of any changes to the original RFP and to answer questions regarding the RFP. The answers provided in this Addendum hereby amend and/or modify the original RFP Document and Specifications.

All offerors are subject to the provisions of this addendum.

Questions:

1. You are asking for lease prices on a 34-yard SC compactor and a 20-yard SC compactor. Do you in fact need to lease two compactors?

Answer:

For the University of New Mexico Hospital (UNMH), main campus located at 2211 Lomas NE, and the Cancer Center, located at 1213 University, NE, ABQ, NM, UNMH would lease 3 compactors.

For the Adult Psychiatric Outpatient Unit, located at 2600 Marble, NE, ABQ, NM, UNMH would lease 1 compactor.

For UNM Sandoval Regional Medical Center, located 3001 Broadmoor Blvd NE, Rio Rancho, NM, no lease is required for a compactor.

2. You are asking for a "solid waste per ton" cost. I would like to know how often it is hauled, what the average disposal tonnage is and who currently hauling the compactors.

Answers:

For UNMH, the average tonnage per a compactor is 5.4 tons and the frequency for pick up is 6 times per week (Mon. -Sat.).

For Adult Psychiatric Outpatient Unit, the average tonnage per a compactor is 1.45 tons per pick up. The frequency for pick up is 6 times per week (Mon-Sat.).

For UNM Sandoval Regional Medical Center (SRMC), the average tonnage per a compactor is 6.4 tons per pick up. The frequency for pick up is three times per month.

3. If the City of Albuquerque Solid Waste department is currently hauling your compactors, are you open to other companies taking this work if the bid is lower?

Answer: UNMH is open to the best solution.

4. Will the contract be awarded to one sole vendor?

Answer: Contract may be awarded to multiple vendors.

5. What is the anticipated start date of this contract?

Answer: Approximately 4 months from close of RFP date, March 29, 2019.

6. In section III. Additional Instructions to Offertory Preferences, it states, "offers must include a copy of their preference certificate with their proposal. Certificates of preferences must be obtained through the New Mexico Department of Taxation & Revenue." When going to the identified website, I receive notice the page cannot be found.

Answer: The link regarding Preferences in the solicitation is correct.

The following preferences are available: Resident Business or Veteran's Preference.

Resident Business rules are as follows:

Resident Business/Contractor Preference Certification

New Mexico companies or contractors who wish to obtain a bidding advantage on state contracts are required to obtain a valid resident business certificate or resident contractor certificate issued by the State Taxation and Revenue Department starting January 1, 2012.

Under the law, in-state companies and contractors will receive:

• Five percent of the total weight of all the factors used in evaluating the proposals; and

• The equivalent of five percent of total points if the state contract is awarded on a point-based system.

Residential and tax information must be certified by certified public accountant.

7. Is this something that is required for a large corporation whose main office is located out of state?

Answer: No.

8. Also, same pertains to Exhibit E. We do not need to complete if we are not a Veteran owned local company, correct? We are a publically traded corporation.

Answer: Correct. You may put N/A on the Exhibit as a response.

9. Will we have the opportunity to meet and discuss our programs with appropriate UNMH team members prior to a service provider being awarded the business?

Answer: UNMH may select the top 3 companies to present if they are proposing an integrated waste stream.

10. Can you please provide more clarification regarding "full service" for regulated medical waste? Is the current full service program for the collection of sharps containers?

Answer: For UNMH it is currently "dock side service" (staging and dropping off containers) and SRMC has "full service" (the vendor picking up waste from all Soiled Utility Rooms and replacing containers, including sharps).

11. In Exhibit D Questionnaire under Hazardous Waste, it states, "waste characterization will be provide to individual UNMHS facilities for all identified waste streams by an independent laboratory to determine if it is RCRA waste. Is this a requirement for all potential hazardous waste or just for unknown wastes?

Answer: It is a requirement to provide a characterization/description on the manifest, but independent laboratory tests are only for unknown waste, where a new profile needs to be created. The provider creates the profiles at the initiation of determining the waste generated, and then the profiles need to be re-certified according to state policy.