



Lumpkin County Government

Purchasing Department

ADDENDUM #1

December 30, 2015

Disaster Debris Removal & Disposal ITB Project# 2015-018

Proposal Closing Date: January 8, 2016 at 4:00 pm EST

This addendum is issued to change or clarify the bid documents associated with the Disaster Debris Removal & Disposal ITB issued on December 9, 2015.

Q1. Item 15 BONDS, found on page 3 states that payment and performance bonds may be required by the County. Can you specify when the bonds will be due? Will they be due upon Notice to Proceed?

A1. The County reserves the right to require the successful Contractor to provide both a performance and payment bond for 100% of the value of the contract to ensure faithful performance. The bid bond will be waived due to the County not having an initial value for the contract.

Q2. Item 18 SITE SELECTION. Found on page 8 states that all C&D debris will be hauled to the Lumpkin County Transfer Station. The Pricing Form lists a line item for tipping fees and asks for the tipping fee or pass through amount. Can you clarify if the disposal fees/tipping fees for debris will be considered a pass through with the Contractor paying for disposal and billing the county for the fees at direct cost with no markup? Also, if this is the case, is it acceptable to list 100% on the tipping fees in the final disposal section (Tipping fees will be a 100% pass through).

A2. This statement is intended to mean that C&D Debris from private property will not be taken at any of the staging sites. Collection and disposal of C&D debris from public property will be priced as per bid documents.

Q3. The Systematic Alien Verification for Entitlements form. There's two pages. I'm not sure how to answer these two pages. We are a corporation.

A3. The person authorized to conduct business on behalf of your organization should complete this form.

Q4. On #15, it says that "if required" bonds may be requested. Do we need to submit any bonds w/our bid?

A4. Not at this time. Since the County has not guaranteed a value for the contract, the bid bond requirement has been waived.

Q5. On page 9 under Stumps: it states stumps will be considered tree remnants exceeding 24 inches in diameter. However, in the vendor pricing for Tree Operations you have it broke into categories, to include pay items for stumps under 24" (Ex. 6"-12" and 12"-24"). Per FEMA regulations any stump

less than 24 inches in diameter is considered Vegetative curbside debris. Could you please consider this disparity and clarify?

- A5. Bid sheet has a removal of hazardous trees less than 24” dia., but no item for stumps less than 24”
- Q6. On page 11 under Hazardous Materials and Waste it states that Lumpkin County is not permitted to handle the disposal of such materials, and also states that you have Care Environmental Inc. contracted for these services. In the vendor pricing form you are asking for per pound price for HHW. If this material is being handled by Care Environmental Inc. should the line item be removed?
- A6. Care Environmental is used for the removal of HHW in Non Declared situations and situations that occur during normal operations. The approved Contractor will be required to provide a price for HHW in the event a disaster is declared and the contract is activated.
- Q7. You are asking for a 5% bid bond. How do we know the dollar amount for the bid bond if there is no base bid price for the ITB?
- A7. Since the County is not guaranteeing a value for the contract, the bid bond requirement will be waved.
- Q8. In vendors pricing form for tipping fees, it states to either negotiate a price or tipping fees will be a pass through price. Per FEMA standards tipping fee is a pass through, no party can make a profit on tipping fees. Please clarify the County’s position in this regard.
- A9. Tipping fees will be a pass through, whether gate rates or negotiated for an event.
- Q9. Is there evaluation criteria for this ITB? For example is there a total base bid number that is going to be compared as “apples to apples”? If so, what weight value will be placed on price as well as any other criteria?
- A9. Lumpkin County will evaluate the bids based on estimated quantities for each unit. Cost per unit is the only factor that is pertinent to the bidder.
- Q10. Will there be a Primary and a Secondary award? If not, how many contracts does the County plan to award?
- A10. The County will award one contract and may award a second contract based on bid pricing.
- Q11. Item 15 BONDS, found on page 3 – there are no estimated quantities provided in the bid so there is not an extended price per line item which in turn does not yield a total bid amount to specify the payment and performance bond amounts. Will the County provide estimated quantities or specify a total amount for the payment and performance bond requested?
- A11. Bonds will be due at the issuance of a notice to proceed. The initial amount of the bond will be based on an estimated cost prior to commencing work. Proof of the ability to be bonded for a minimum of \$1,000,000 will be required with the bid submittal package. This proof may be in the form of a letter from a bonding company.

Note: A signed acknowledgement of this addendum must be received by the Purchasing Agent attached to your bid response.