

Date: July 29, 2021 To: All Vendors

Subject: Addendum #1

REFERENCE: P060-21 ANALYTICAL LABORATORY SERVICES

This Addendum forms part of the contract and clarifies, corrects or modifies original RFP document.

Question 1: Will Brownsville PUB be able to deliver or have delivered the samples to San Antonio within the Hold Time constrictions for Fecal Coliform Analysis? If not, can the report be qualified to indicate that it was analyzed past hold time due to shipping?

Answer 1: No, BPUB will not be able to drive the samples up to the lab. Bidder should indicate parameter as a non-bid if not able to meet holding times.

Question 2: Is it possible to bid on only part of the proposal (and exclude short hold time parameter such as Fecal Coliform)?

Answer 2: Please refer to answer one (1).

Question 3: How many labs will be awarded?

Answer 3: Awarded vendors may be no more than two (2), if needed. Optimal would be one (1) lab contract.

Question 4: Can we no bid line items?

Answer 4: Bidder must indicate what parameters will not be included in the bid and the reason for the non-bid, i.e., holding time, not NELAP certified, etc.

Question 5: There are limits that we cannot meet. Would we still be able to bid and report to the limits that we can or does BPUB need a lab to meet all limits?

Answer 5: Limits need to be met as listed in specifications. All data is used for compliance purposes. If required limit is not met, data could be rejected by regulatory agency.

Question 6: Who is the current contract holder?

Answer 6: The current contract holder is Analab Corporation, Kilgore TX.

Question 7: Can you provide current contract pricing?

Answer 7: Current contract pricing is not be released available at this time.

Question 8: Can you please confirm the reportable units? Some limits seem very low (for example, Benzidine 0.0000097 mg/L)

Answer 8: Bidder can submit a copy of their detection limits for the testing parameters requested. Laboratory staff will review potential service provider's table to verify that data generated will be acceptable for compliance purposes.

Question 9: RFP asks for 3 copies of proposal. There are several types of supporting documents that are very large, hundreds of pages. Can we submit supporting documentation on thumb drive or other electronic means? For example – Proficiency Testing studies, TCEQ Accreditations etc. Maybe one original hardcopy and supporting documentation copies on thumb drive?

Answer 9: Yes, BPUB will accept a thumb drive or CD for the supporting documentation.

Question 10: Can you provide the price schedule in excel format?

Answer 10: The excel format is attached as a separate file.

Question 11: Will BPUB accept a limit on liability?

Answer 11: Submittal requirements states: Respondent will be responsible to provide all necessary insurance as required by the Brownsville PUB and mandated by State Law.

Question 12: Are the respondent labs required to provide the following forms:

Bond

OSHA 300 Log

Contractor Pre-Proposal disclosure

Sub-Contractor Pre-Proposal disclosure

Answer 12: For the proposal B060-21 the forms Bond, OSHA 300 Log, Contractor Pre-Proposal Disclosure, and the Sub-Contractor Pre-Proposal Disclosure are not applicable.

The signature of the company agent, for the acknowledgement of this addendum, shall be required. Complete information below and return via e-mail to: nespinoza@brownsville-pub.com

I hereby acknowledge receipt of this addendum.

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