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INVITATION FOR BID GSA-143-15  
GREEN WASTE REDUCTION AIR CURTAIN BURNER  
AND CHIPPING AND COMPOSTING

**Questions submitted by Buena Vista Environment dated September 18, 2015**

**Question 1:**

May a bidder only bid on Air Curtain Burner and not on Chipping and Composting, or must the bidder bid on both?

**Response: Yes. Bidder could bid on 1.1 or 2.1 whichever item they are interested in and can perform the scope of work.**

**Question 2:**

Will there be two separate bid awards for Air Curtain Burner and Chipping and Composting? If so, will the lowest bidder on each be selected? If different bidders on Air Curtain Burner and Chipping and Composting are selected, will there be two separate bidders selected

**Response: Yes. These are two line items with different scope of works.**

**Question 3:**

If there is only one bid award, how will you determine and select the lowest responsible bidder? Will the lowest overall bid on either Air Curtain Burner or Chipping and Composting be selected? Or will the bidder who submits the lowest average bid on both Air Curtain Burner and Chipping and Composting be selected. What for, for example, would be the result if one vendor is the lowest bidder on the Air Curtain Burner and another on the Chipping and Composting?

**Response: This is not an "All or None" award. The bid will be award to the lowest most responsive and responsible bidder who has meet the requirements of the bid.**

**Question 4:**

On pages 28 and page 30 of the Bid, for Air curtain Burner and Chipping and Composting there is a column indicated as "BIDDING ON / REMARKS"? Under anything on those blank lines? If so, what should bidders indicate? Their initials? Commentary? Others matters?

**Response: The "Bidding On / Remarks" column is for the bidder to enter if they are complying with the specifications or are offering something different.**

**Question 5:**

Pg. 28 of the Bid indicates that the quantity of cubic yards for green waste for Air Curtain Burner is 20,000 cubic yards total: Pg. 30 of the Bid indicates that the quantity of cubic yards for green waste for Chipping and composting is 23,5000 cubic yards total. Why are the totals for Air curtain Burner and Chipping and Composting different? Isn't the overall total of green waste 23,500 cubic yards? Please confirm the total volume of green waste for both Air Curtain Burner and Chipping and Composting.

**Questions submitted by Pacific Unlimited Inc. dated September 18, 2015**

**Question 1:**

Are items 1.1 and 2.1 completed separate jobs to be awarded?

**Response: Yes**

**Question 2:**

Are items 1.1 and 2.1 completely different volumes?

**Response: See attached (Amendment #1)**

**Question 3:**

Will the complete volume of materials be awarded for both items 1.1 and 2.1?

**Response: Yes**

**Question 4:**

Will items 1.1 be awarded to a single bidder?

**Response: Yes**

**Question 5:**

Will items 2.1 be awarded to a single bidder?

**Response: Yes**

**Question 6:**

Item 1.1 specification calls for a USEPA approved Air Curtain Burner. USEPA "DOES NOT" certify or approve/endorse any specific air curtain manufactures machines. Manufactures build machines to "MEET" USEPA emission regulations. Manufactures do 3<sup>rd</sup> party test to their air curtain burners that demonstrate that such air curtain burners that USEPA will approve/endorse will GSA request bidders to provide 3<sup>rd</sup> party testing results for their specific technology for air curtain burners machine designs that show that the air burners that they will use on this project will meet USEPA emission requirement?

**Response: The bidders are required to show that they have a current permit to operate the air curtain burner with USEPA.**

**Question 7:**

Item 1.1 specification require air curtain burners shall be utilized to "MEET" emission controls and to reduce particulate matter and other air quality requirements outlined in US EPA 40CFR60. Will GSA require bidders to submit with their bids 3<sup>rd</sup> party test done on their specific technology that show the air burners that they will use on this project will meet USEPA emission requirement?

**Response: No. The 3<sup>rd</sup> party testing only show that the equipment meets air quality requirements. The bidder must still show that they are currently permitted to operate the air curtain burner.**

**Question 8:**

Item 1.1 and 2.1 bid specification indicates that bidders must be permitted by the Guam Department of Agriculture. We do not know of any current process for permitting by Guam Department of Agriculture for air curtain burning or composting. Can GSA provide the regulation requiring permitting of an air curtain burner or composting by the Department of Agriculture?

**Response: You will need certification from Department of Agriculture that the Air Curtain Burner will meet the requirement measures to mitigate any and all invasive species.**

**Question 9:**

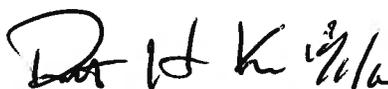
Item 1.1 bid specification indicate that bidder must employ "Professional" personnel for the Project Administrator and Project Task Manager. What professional qualification "standards" is the government requesting for the Project Administrator and/or Project Task Manager as we are unaware of any Professional standards for a Project Administrator and a Project Task Manager for burning of green waste?

**Response: These positions are management positions who represent the company and will be able to discuss the operations with government of Guam officials.**

**Question 10:**

Item 2.1 The Attachment "A" (Biosecurity Requirements for Green Waste Piles to be chipped and composted) referenced in the specification was not included in the bid document online on GSA's website. Can GSA furnish a copy of this Attachment?

**Response: See attached (ATTACHMENT "A")**



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## **ATTACHMENT "A"**

Specific requirements and protocols for different types of green waste processing or disposal operations are provided below:

### **GREEN WASTE TO BE PROCESSED BY INCINERATION**

- 1. No green waste may be moved from a staging site without express permission granted by BiosecDiv.**
- 2. A fifty foot perimeter around each green waste site must be treated with a granular insecticide (Siesta® or Amdro®) every six (6) weeks until the green waste is completely incinerated. Any land area upon which the piles had been situated must also be treated.**
- 3. Green waste piles awaiting incineration must be covered with prescribed monofilament netting (tekken), purchased by the Establishment, to mitigate entry and exit of CRB.**
- 4. Incineration of green waste must proceed as expeditiously as possible.**
- 5. Additional treatments of the piles themselves with a spray-on liquid insecticide mixture may be ordered if it is determined necessary by BiosecDiv.**
- 6. All insecticide treatments must be conducted by appropriately certified applicators for the insecticide being used and all appropriate safety measure as indicated on the insecticide labels must be followed by employees of the Establishment. All Guam Environmental Protection Agency requirements must be met.**
- 7. Insecticides used and methods of application will be as determined by BiosecDiv and based upon research and protocols developed by the Hawaii Ant Lab, the University of Guam, or the Guam Department of Agriculture.**
- 8. Costs for insecticides and their application will be borne entirely by the Establishment.**

### **GREEN WASTE TO BE CHIPPED AND COMPOSTED**

- 1. No green waste may be moved from a staging site without express permission granted by BiosecDiv. It is assumed that the green waste will be chipped on site and then moved to another location for composting.**
- 2. A fifty foot perimeter around each green waste site must be treated with a granular insecticide (Siesta® or Amdro®) every six (6) weeks until the green waste is completely chipped and moved. Any land area upon which the piles had been situated must also be treated when the chipped material is moved off.**

3. Any trucks loaded with chipped material must be sprayed with an approved liquid insecticide labeled for ants and covered with a tarp prior to transport; this is to prevent any dispersal of ants during transport.
4. Piles of chipped material that have been moved and are being composted must have a fifty foot perimeter treated with a granular insecticide (Siesta® or Amdro®) every six (6) weeks until the composting process is complete.
5. Composting must be performed in an industry approved manner including regular turning of the piles and temperature monitoring of the interior of the piles with long temperature probes and with appropriate record keeping. If satisfactorily high temperatures are reached during the composting process, this will help to mitigate invasive species within the piles and allow the piles themselves to go untreated with insecticide.
6. Composting must proceed as expeditiously as possible. A final survey for LFA in and around the compost piles will be conducted by Department of Agriculture employees prior to release of composted product from quarantine.
7. Additional treatments of the piles themselves with a spray-on liquid insecticide mixture may be ordered if it is determined necessary by BiosecDiv.
8. All insecticide treatments must be conducted by appropriately certified applicators for the insecticide being used and all appropriate safety measure as indicated on the insecticide labels must be followed by employees of the Establishment. All Guam Environmental Protection Agency requirements must be met.
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10. Costs for insecticides and their application will be borne entirely by the Establishment.