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AIR CURTAIN BURNER SERVICES

Questions received from Pacific Unlimited 09/14/17

Question: 1

Optional pricing (b, c, d) request, requested rates for material transfer from Northern, Central, and Southern Sites. Please clarify if this is inclusive of loading, transporting, and unloading at contractor's sites. If yes, what is the volume at each site (Northern, Central, and Southern) so that we can determine cost of providing service?

Response: Bid items are for use in case we cannot mobilize DPW to make material transfers on a certain date when needed. They are inclusive of loading, transporting, and unloading at contractor's site. Volumes are unknown at this point; that is why we are asking for bids on a per cubic year basis in the three (3) area bands of Northern, Central, and Southern so contractor can have some idea of distance to their site for transport.

Question: 2

How will optional pricing affect award of item 1.1, 2.1, and 3.1?

Response: Optional pricing is for other associated services such as material transfer or required sorting of contaminated green waste. It would therefore not directly affect 1.1, 2.1, and 3.1.

Question: 3

Service specifications indicates we have to line storage for ash. You cannot put hot ash on a liner and you cannot put a liner under the air burner where ash is at due to the heat. Please clarify this requirement?

Response: this is only for any necessary storage of ash on site; ash could be allowed to cool prior to any movement to such a storage area; this is a Guam EPA requirement; vendor could get further guidance from EPA.

Question: 4

The service specifications indicates contractor shall manage site to accept debris. Can you clarify if this is at contractors' site only or even at remote sites in (Northern, Central, and Southern Sites)? If contractor to manage remote site to accept debris what are days and hours of operations? Will contractor be required to provide security on non-operational days and hour to ensure no other unmanaged debris is dumped?

Response: This is at contractor's sites at all times or at other non-contractor sites only during actual operation of air curtain burner at the site (if material were still being transported to site during ACB operation at the site). Contractor will not be required to provide security on non-operational days or hours to ensure no other unmanaged debris is dumped.

Question: 5

The services specifications requires contractor to provide 1 truck load of ASH to the COR by hauling to a site designated by the COR. Please provide site location in order to calculate this cost? The cost may vary greatly depending on the processing site and delivery location.

Response: Near plant nursery site at the Department of Agriculture offices in Mangilao on Daily Road.

Question: 6

The service specifications requires contractor to be responsible for tipping fees associated with non-plant debris. Can GSA clarify that this will only apply to site that contractor manages site to accept debris? If yes please confirm that contractor can reject contaminated debris or charge for sorting fee as provided in optional bid price and require persons or agency attempting to deliver non-plant material to properly dispose of non-plant material at their cost? This is required to control the cost of disposal for contaminated debris (non-plant material).

Response: This applies to contractor sites for acceptance of debris. DPW will be instructed not to load and transport contamination with green waste. Sorting fee is in case any small amounts of contamination slip through. If very contaminated load arrives, contractor could reject that load before it is dumped and have it returned to source.

Question: 7

Performance schedule specifications has a liquidated damage clause. Please clarify if this clause only applies to the requirement of close out work of site in 30 days and not the ability to mobilize within 72 hours.

Response: Applies only to requirement of close out of work at a site and not ability to mobilize within 72 hours.

Question: 8

Performance schedule specification require contract to be fully operational within 72 hours of notice to proceed. This is only realistic if contractor is operating out of it Air Curtain Burner permitted facilities. If the COR selects a Northern, Central, or Southern site for Air Curtain Burning services contractor cannot be fully operational as each site selected by the COR must be inspected and permitted by the Guam Fire Department prior to contractor being able to be fully operational. Please clarify this requirement as contractor does not control the GFD inspection schedule.

Response: Notice to Proceed by COR will be given only upon receipt of clearance by Guam EPA and the Guam Fire Department.

Question: 9

The schedule specification requires us to mobilize immediately after notice to process and be fully operational within 72 hours. Will the Purchase Order proceed or accompany the notice to proceed? It is our understanding that no work including mobilization cost can begin prior to receiving a Purchase Order. Please clarify?

Response: Nothing can happen until issuance of Purchase Order; notice to proceed will occur later after meeting between contractor and COR.

Question: 10

Site consideration specifications (Site Security). Is contractor required to post security on both operational and non-operations days and hours?

Response: Only on operational days and hours; however, government cannot be responsible for security of any equipment left on sites.

Question: 11

Site consideration specification (Site Closure) says closure of debris site shall be within three (3) calendar days for processing the last of the debris. This section is conflicting with Performance schedule specifications which provided (3) calendar days from notice from the COR that the last load of the debris has been delivered. The notice of last load of the debris being delivered may not be the same day as the last day of processing of the debris. Please clarify which is correct and how it relates to liquidated damages?

Response: Three (3) calendar days after completion of operations processing of debris at a site.

Question: 12

The bid ask for pricing based on a Northern, Central, and Southern Site as selected by the COR. We understand this as site we will be need to mobilize are equipment. Please confirm this is correct?

Response: Yes, the three location bands of Northern, Central and Southern are to allow different pricing based on location necessary for contractor to move their equipment.

Question: 13

Why is the bid not requesting for Air Curtain Burning Service prices at the Permitted facilities of the contractor where processing cost would be cheaper than mobilizing equipment to a site selected by the COR?

Response: See attached "Amendment 1"

Question: 14

Special Provision indicates that quantities reflected are estimated requirements over a 12 month period. The bid ask for prices for processing specific volume but I could not find any estimated volumes for 12 months. Please provide the estimated volumes in CY over the next 12 months.

Response: The estimated volumes are based on (a) 1 – 300 cy & (b) Greater than 300 cy, whichever the criteria meets when the need arises.

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