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NOTICE OF ADDENDUM#2

Request for Proposal RBCA 2109-01 Environmental Support Services

The Iowa Department of Natural Resources (DNR) / Iowa Comprehensive Petroleum UST Fund Board received the following questions pursuant to the terms of the Request for Proposal (RFP) RBCA 2109-01. The following information is presented for Contractor's to consider in development of their bid proposal.

1. Section 3.2.8- Financial Information: "The Contractor must provide a minimum of three (3) financial references" Can you please clarify the information you are requiring for the references, Name, Address, Email, Phone – or any additional information? Secondly, are Banks, Vendors, Subcontractors appropriate business types for references, or are you seeking specific business types for this section?

RESPONSE: Contractors should decide on the type of financial references that best demonstrate the financial strength of their firm.

2. Section 3.2.6.5 asks for letters of reference from 3 of the bidder's previous clients and section 3.2.6.6 asks for information on 3 reference projects that the Contractor's key personnel have completed. Can the letters of reference be for the same clients/projects as the reference projects?

RESPONSE: Yes.

3. Do you have a preference or requirement for the assembly of the proposal (bound, stapled or in a binder clip)?

RESPONSE: Refer to Addendum #1, dated 9/24. Due to restrictions on building access, Contractor proposals must be submitted electronically in a PDF format; the technical proposal and cost proposal must be separate attachments.

4. Section 3.2.6.4 – asks for a list of all goods and/or services similar to those under the RFP that the contractor has provide to other businesses or government entities. Do you wish to have dates and/or business / government entities names included with the list or just the list of good and/or services listed on the RFP?

RESPONSE: Provide business/governmental entities names with the list of goods and/or services.

5. In section 3.3.1 General Pricing (5) Pathway Evaluation costs it only lists the 7 exposure pathways for the Tier 1. The Tier 2 Guidance discusses 10 pathways, and that Soil Leaching is broken out into 4 pathways at Tier 2. Page 3-5 of the Tier 2 guidance states: "At Tier 1, the soil leaching to groundwater pathway applies only to the groundwater ingestion pathway. However, at Tier 2 the soil leaching to groundwater pathway examines leaching to all four groundwater transport pathways: groundwater ingestion pathway, groundwater vapor to enclosed space pathway, groundwater to water line pathway, and surface water pathway. At Tier 2, each of the soil leaching pathways must be considered separately. The application will indicate which receptor types must be evaluated." The 10 pathways is consistent with the RFP that the DNR

LUST division also completed this year. Please consider changing the number to be consistent with the guidance and the LUST division.

RESPONSE: After consultation with Department staff, the Board will recognize 10 possible pathways for a RBCA investigation.

6. In section 3.3.1 General Pricing 6 and 10) it discusses that obtaining permits, site access, and utility locates for completing a single boring or soil gas well. Is this accurate? Normally locates and access are completed per site and not for an individual boring. This wording is not included in the 7) for monitoring wells. Please consider striking the language.

RESPONSE: Section 3.3.1, General Pricing, item (10) is amended to strike "site access".

7. In section 3.3.1 General Pricing 7) it discusses proper disposal of cuttings. If a landfill is required to be utilized due to amount of cuttings, will this additional charge be reimbursed? There is a wide range of costs per ton at all landfill across lowa. Also, if the landfill requires additional sampling will those costs be reimbursed to ensure proper disposal? Or are we to assume that the cutting can be spread onsite?

RESPONSE: It's understood each site will present unique variables including distance to the site, soil lithology, depth to groundwater, presence of receptors, etc. In lieu of bidding each site to account for the differing variables, Contractors are asked to provide bid costs for the listed items that would cover all anticipated costs. For General Pricing Items (6) and (7), Contractors will need to provide a bid to account for the range of disposal options that may be necessary.

8. Is it possible to get copies of the submittals from the last (2015?) RFP for this contract?

RESPONSE: Copies of the 2015 RFP bids will be available on the Bid Opportunities website.

Contractors are not required to acknowledge receipt of this Addendum.

For questions about this Addendum, contact the Issuing Officer James Gastineau at 515-725-8450 or <a href="mailto:james.gastineau@dnr.iowa.gov">james.gastineau@dnr.iowa.gov</a>.