



HOWARD COUNTY, MARYLAND

OFFICE OF PURCHASING

6751 Columbia Gateway Drive, Suite 501, Columbia, MD 21046

ADDENDUM NO. 2

ISSUED AUGUST 28, 2017

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS NO. 03-2018

GROUNDWATER REMEDIATION SYSTEM HARDWARE/SOFTWARE MODERNIZATION

REVISED OPENING: September 13, 2017 AT 2:00 P.M

<https://www.howardcountymd.gov/departments/county-administration/purchasing>

This addendum is hereby made a part of RFP No. 03-2018. Note the following information and submit the proposal accordingly.

Clarifications/Changes

Change all references of proposal due from September 6, 2017 prior to 2:00p.m. to September 13, 2017 prior to 2:00p.m.

Questions/Answers

QUESTION 1: Is the contractor required to install wiring and conduit from the flow meter registers back to the well panels?

ANSWER 1: Please refer to the RFP Section 13420 for details concerning contractor responsibilities. At Alpha Ridge, conduit from vaults back to panels is provided. Contractor must install any required conduit in vault. At Alpha Ridge, Contractor to wire and connect from flow meter register to well panel. At Carrs Mill, flow meter recorder and panel are located in the same vault. Contractor must install any required conduit in vault. Contractor must complete all work in accordance with applicable codes.

QUESTION 2: How will high speed internet be provided at each groundwater building?

ANSWER 2: County will provide internet access to each groundwater building. Please refer to the RFP and Addendum 1 for a complete discussion of the network.

At Carrs Mill, the County will provide third-party internet to the Groundwater Building as a medium to get to the County network using DMVPN. The County will provide fiber optic from the groundwater building at Carrs Mill to a new above-ground enclosure that the County will install near well CRB-3 at Carrs Mill Landfill.

The County will provide internet through the County network to the Alpha Ridge Groundwater Building. The County will install fiber optic network from the groundwater building to each well at Alpha Ridge Landfill.

QUESTION 3: Will intrinsically safe material be required in the well vaults at Carrs Mill?

ANSWER 3: No, but bidders can provide any exceptions they take to existing conditions in their bids.

QUESTION 4: Will we be removing existing ethernet? Are there seal offs?

ANSWER 4: There is no existing ethernet network at either site. The County will remove all existing seal offs. It is the Contractor's responsibility to remove all existing shielded data cable from the communication conduits.

QUESTION 5: Is the groundwater building the same at Carrs Mill and Alpha Ridge?

ANSWER 5: The layout/configuration is a little different, but the controls and system are the same.

QUESTION 6: Are you furnishing a broadband connection?

ANSWER 6: Yes, through the County network.

QUESTION 7: Are the motor starters the same at both sites?

ANSWER 7: Yes.

QUESTION 8: Is the horsepower rating the same?

ANSWER 8: No, it depends on the well. Pumps range from ½ to 1 ½ horsepower.

QUESTION 9: Are the specs available for the cloud based back-up?

ANSWER 9: Please refer to Attachment V in Addendum 1 for details concerning the cloud-based storage requirements. Also, the cloud based storage is not just a backup system, but a data storage/management system.

QUESTION 10: Do we require separate cloud-based storage for each site?

ANSWER 10: No, data can be stored at a location with one set of credentials as long as the data is managed and available separately, by site and by well.

QUESTION 11: Will the ethernet cable exceed 300 feet at any point?

ANSWER 11: No. Please refer to the response to QUESTION 19 in Addendum 1.

QUESTION 12: In reference to the bid deposit- is it 5% or \$100,000?

ANSWER 12: It is 5% of the bid price, up to \$100,000. The bid deposit amount is dependent on your bid price.

QUESTION 13: Since this is an RFP, is price not a determining factor?

ANSWER 13: Please refer to RFP Section D, Paragraph 14 for the evaluation criteria.

QUESTION 14: Is this job subjected to Howard County electrical inspections?

ANSWER 14: Yes.

QUESTION 15: Does the back panel need to be UL listed?

ANSWER 15: No. Note that each component will have to be UL Listed.

QUESTION 16: Do we need to get a permit if we are technically doing maintenance and not changing or adding circuits?

ANSWER 16: This project is considered new work and must have an electrical permit.

QUESTION 17: Does the vendor need to provide specs for the cloud based solution?

ANSWER 17: Yes. Please refer to Attachment V of Addendum 1 for details concerning the cloud-based storage. Provide your solution and a narrative in your proposal.

QUESTION 18: Is this project subject to prevailing wage requirements?

ANSWER 18: No. however, the County's Living Wage rate is applicable. Please refer to Section I of the RFP.

All other specifications, terms and conditions remain the same.

Please acknowledge addenda by signing below and returning with the proposal. Failure to acknowledge this addendum may be cause for rejection of the proposal.

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