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IFB No. 221872 Confined Space Rescue and Training - Addendum 1

The following changes, clarifications and/or additions shall be incorporated to the above-referenced Invitation for Bid.

1. **REMOVE** *Instruction to Bidders (4 Pages)* in its entirety and **REPLACE** with *Instruction to Bidders Rev 1 (4 pages)* attached herein to correct DATE AND TIME of Site Tour and Pre-bid Meeting.

Bidders must acknowledge receipt of this Addendum on the bid form provided in Section 13 of the solicitation. Failure to do so **may** render the bid non-responsive.

All other specifications, terms and conditions, not specifically changed by this Addendum, shall remain the same.

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Instruction to Bidders - REV 1 (4 PAGES)

FAILURE TO COMPLY MAY CAUSE THE BID TO BE IMPROPERLY EVALUATED OR DEEMED NON-RESPONSIVE

1. HIGHLY ENCOURAGED SITE TOUR and PRE-BID CONFERENCE:

Highly encouraged Site Tour: This is an opportunity for prospective respondents to see the confined space areas located at Pima County's Regional Wastewater Reclamation Department (PCRWRD), Tres Rios location.

There will be no discussion during the scheduled Site Tour; please write down any questions regarding the Site Tour so they may be discussed at the Pre-Bid Conference. Bidders should expect site visit to consist of walking distances that may be physically challenging and prepare accordingly.

Highly encouraged Pre-bid Conference: Held for the purpose of clarifying requirements and answering prospective respondent questions. It is the responsibility of Prospective Respondents to familiarize themselves with all requirements of the solicitation and to identify any issues at the conference. Questions obtained from the mandatory Site Tour will be addressed during this Pre-Bid Conference currently scheduled as follows:

DATE AND TIME:

SITE TOUR: Tuesday, September 27, 2016 from 8:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M. Local Arizona Time (MST)

PRE-BID MEETING: Tuesday, September 27, 2016 from 11:00 A.M. to 12:30 P.M. Local Arizona Time (MST)

LOCATION: Pima County's Regional Wastewater Reclamation Department, Tres Rios Complex, 7101 N. Casa Grande Hwy, Tucson, AZ 85743.

REQUIRED PERSONAL PROTECTION EQUIPMENT:

Contractors attending site tour must present driver's license, commercial driver's license or a passport as ID and shall wear long pants, closed-toe shoes and safety glasses with side shields.

2. PREPARATION OF RESPONSES

All bids shall be made using the forms provided in this package. All prices and notations must be printed in ink or typewritten. **No erasures are permitted.** Errors may be crossed out and corrections printed in ink or typewritten adjacent to error and shall be initialed in ink by person signing the bid. Typewritten responses are **preferred**.

All bids shall as appropriate indicate the registered trade name, stock number, and packaging of the items included in the bid. Surety, if required by this solicitation, may be in the form of a bond, cashier's check or certificate of deposit made payable to *Pima County*. Personal or company checks are not acceptable.

3. OFFER AGREEMENT (Contract) Form Confined Space Rescue and Training/12 Pages

The attached or referenced Offer Agreement when completed, signed and submitted by the Offeror is a binding offer that results in a legal contract when accepted and executed by Pima County as defined by this solicitation. The Offer Agreement document must be completed and signed by an authorized representative certifying that the firm can and is willing to meet all requirements of the solicitation.

Contractor Minimum Qualifications:

Contractor Minimum Qualifications are intended to establish the respondent's capacity and responsibility for providing the services or products solicited. To be evaluated and considered for award of contract the Offeror shall submit with the Offer Agreement all documents specified in Article 3. *Contractor Minimum Qualifications* of the Offer Agreement. If requested by Article 3, the Offeror shall denote in Article 3 of the Offer Agreement the license numbers/descriptions and other information requested.

Unit Prices & Bid Certification:

Respondents shall fully complete and sign Article 7. *Compensation & Payment* and Article 15. *Bid/Offer Certification* sections of the Offer Agreement utilizing the forms provided by this solicitation.

Unless otherwise stated, a Unit Price shall be given for all items defined by the Offer Agreement Unit Prices schedule. Requested information and data shall be provided in the precise manner requested. Product descriptions shall provide sufficient information to precisely document the product being offered. All unit prices shall remain firm for the initial term of the executed agreement, with the exception that should seller during the term of the agreement offer to another buyer

pricing for like or similar quantity, products or services at price more favorable than those given to Pima County ("COUNTY"), that seller shall offer same pricing to County effective on the date offered to other buyer. Unit prices given by respondent shall include all costs required to implement and actively conduct and document cost control and reduction activities. Taxes applied to the unit price and legally applicable to Pima County purchase transactions shall be separately invoiced and not included in the item unit price. Unit Prices shall include all costs incidental to the provision of the requirements defined by the solicitation and Offer Agreement and unless otherwise specified by the Delivery Article shall be F.O.B. Destination & Freight Prepaid Not Billed ("F.O.B. Destination"), no additional payments will be invoiced or paid. Unit prices shall prevail in the event of an extension error. Price each item separately. Delivery time if stated as a number of days shall mean "calendar" days.

COUNTY reserves the right to question, clarify and correct obvious errors.

4. SPECIFICATIONS & DEVIATIONS

The specifications included in this solicitation are intended to identify the kind and quality of goods and/or services to be provided without being unnecessarily restrictive, and as required to provide the information needed for the development of consistent and comprehensive bids, evaluation of bids and to efficiently support the subsequent ordering, invoicing and payment processes.

Items included in the bid shall satisfy all specifications and requirements set forth by the County's Offer Agreement. Equipment brand names, models and numbers, when given are intended to identify a level of quality, equivalent performance and dimensional specifications, and are for reference only, unless otherwise specified by the County's Offer Agreement. Failure to perform appropriate research, discovery, examine any drawings, specifications, and instructions will be at the respondent's sole risk.

Deviation requests shall specifically document and clearly illustrate the deviation to the specification, or the requirement, set forth by this solicitation and fully explain the requested deviation's impact on the end performance of the item. Deviation requests shall be submitted prior to the initial solicitation due date. Requests shall be submitted as soon as is possible and not less than 8 days prior to the solicitation due date else they may not be answered or addressed. Acceptance or rejection of any deviation request shall be at the sole discretion of the County and will be made in writing by the County via specific addendum of the solicitation and Offer Agreement as applicable. Respondents shall complete Article 13. *Acknowledgement of Solicitation Addenda* of the Offer Agreement prior to submission.

Bidders are advised that conditional offers or notations on the documents submitted that do not conform to or that request exceptions to the published solicitation and addenda may be considered non-responsive and not evaluated.

All equipment shall be models of current production, latest design and technology, new and unused unless otherwise specified.

Manufacturer and Contractor documentation, including and not limited to the following shall be provided by the successful respondent not later than 14 days after request by the County and at no additional cost; warranty; caution-informational warnings; recommended maintenance schedule and process; recommended spare parts list; operating, technical and maintenance manuals including drawings, if appropriate; product brochures; and material safety data sheets (MSDS).

5. SUBMISSION OF BIDS

Submissions are binding offers and will result in a binding contract upon acceptance by Pima County by issue of a properly executed contract document referencing said offer.

The submittal shall include all information requested by the solicitation, and utilize without modification the forms provided by the solicitation. Respondents are to complete, execute and submit one original of the following bid documents:

- A) OFFER AGREEMENT, Contractor's Minimum Qualifications, Bid Schedule/Unit Prices and any documents or media defining other items within the scope of the agreement with Unit Prices and Discount Percentages, or Discounted Prices if offered; Provide Addenda acknowledgement, contact information & Pima County Standard Terms and Conditions, and EXHIBIT A - SCOPE OF WORK.**
- B) Document to support the "green" program(s) the contractor has implemented per BOS Resolution 2007-84 described on page 2 of the Offer Agreement form.**
- C) Insurance Certificate.** Insurance Certification Documents will be required within two weeks from the date the Notice of Recommendation for Award is posted on the Pima County website.

Bids must be received and time stamped at the specified location at or before the Bid Due Date/Time as defined by the *Invitation for Bid*. The "time-stamp" provided by the County shall be the official time used to determine the timeliness of

the submittal. Bids and modifications received after the Bid Due Date/Time will not be accepted, or will be returned unopened. Timely submittals will be opened and recorded promptly after the Bid Due Date/Time.

Bids must be signed by an authorized agent of the respondent and submitted in a sealed envelope marked or labeled with the respondent firm name, solicitation number, title, solicitation due date and time, to the location and not later than the Bid Due Date/Time specified by the *Invitation for Bid*.

Bids and modifications received after the *Due In & Opens* date and time will not be accepted. Facsimiles of bids will not be accepted.

Failure to comply with the solicitation requirements, including submittals that modify the solicitation requirements, may be cause for the respondent's bid to be rejected as *non-responsive* and not evaluated.

5. COMPLIANCE WITH AGREEMENT

County will execute an agreement with the successful respondent by issue of a Master Agreement (MA) or Purchase Order or contract. The respondent agrees to establish, monitor, and manage an effective administration process that assures compliance with all requirements of the agreement. In particular, the respondent agrees that they shall not provide goods or services in excess of the executed agreement items, item quantity, item amount, or agreement amount without prior written authorization by amendment or change order properly executed by the County. Any items provided in excess of the quantity stated in the agreement shall be at the Respondent's own risk. Respondents shall decline verbal requests to deliver items in excess of the agreement and shall report all such requests in writing to the Pima County Procurement Department within 1 workday of the request. The report shall include the name of the requesting individual and the nature of the request.

6. INQUIRIES & NOTICE OF RECOMMENDATION FOR AWARD (NORFA)

Results of this procurement will not be given in response to telephone inquiries. Interested parties are invited to attend the public opening at the time and date stated in this solicitation. A tabulation of submittals will be on file at the Procurement Department. No oral interpretations or clarifications made to any respondent as to the meaning of any of the solicitation documents will be binding on Pima County. If a prospective respondent believes a requirement of the solicitation documents to be needlessly restrictive, unfair, or unclear, the respondent shall notify the Pima County Procurement department in writing identifying the solicitation number, page and paragraph number and clearly stating the issue and suggested solution prior to the *Due In and Opens* date set for receipt of the bid or proposal. Responses from COUNTY will be made by written addendum and sent to all known potential respondents. Issues identified less than 8 days prior to the *Due In and Opens* date may not be answered.

Pima County protest procedures are defined by Chapter 11.20 of the Pima County Procurement Code, available through <http://www.pima.gov/cob/code/>. The five-day period to file a protest of the award will be measured from the date the Notice of Recommendation for Award is posted on the Pima County Procurement website at <http://www.pima.gov/procure/awards/> **without regard to whether individual notices were issued**. It is the responsibility of bidders, proposers and offerors to check the website.

7. ORDER OF PRECEDENCE-CONFLICTING DOCUMENTS

In the event there are variations or conflicts between these instructions and the standard terms and conditions or the offer agreement document, the standard terms & conditions and offer agreement shall govern.

8. VENDOR RECORD MAINTENANCE

By submitting a response to this solicitation, the submittor agrees to establish and maintain a complete Pima County Vendor record, including the provision of a properly completed and executed "Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification" document (Form W-9), within ten calendar days of the solicitation due date. The Vendor also agrees to update the information within ten calendar days of any change in that information and prior to the submission of any invoice or request for payment. The preferred method for creating or updating this record is via the Internet utilizing the Pima County Vendor Self Service (VSS). The registration requires that the Vendor establish and maintain email functionality. In addition to providing the means for a Vendor to create and maintain their Vendor record, VSS also provides for email notice to the vendor regarding solicitations published by Pima County for commodities of interest as defined by the Vendor record. Internet links for Vendor Registration are located at the Procurement Internet page: <http://www.pima.gov/procure/venreg.htm>.

9. SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (SBE) PREFERENCE

Any contract funded in any amount with federal funds is not eligible for this preference.

For those bids that do not exceed \$500,000 per contract year, a 5% bid preference will be given to firms submitting SBE Certificates issued by the City of Tucson WITH THEIR BID; said certification is subject to verification and acceptance by Pima County. If the certification is accepted by Pima County, the bid will be evaluated at 95% of the bid amount to

determine the low and responsive bid. If an award of contract is made, the contract will be formed utilizing the Unit Prices, or Lump Sum, as bid.

To be eligible for the price preference, SBE firms must include with their bid documents a copy of their current certification certificate which may be acquired from the City of Tucson; Department of Procurement, (520) 837-4000, 225 W Alameda, 6th Floor, Tucson, AZ 85726-7210. Their SBE website, which typically includes an SBE Application Form and a Directory listing firms holding SBE Certification, is located at:
http://www.tucsonprocurement.com/bidders_SBE.aspx

The process of acquiring SBE Certification may take several weeks. Please contact the Pima County Vendor Relations Division at **(520) 724-8465** for assistance or further information.

END OF INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS (Revised April 29, 2015)