

Oconee County Board of Commissioners

Addendum 2

DATE: December 7, 2020

TO: All Prospective Bidders/Offerors

FROM: Finance Director

RE: Addendum 2, ITB# 21-11-010 Fixed Generator Installation

The following changes are to be incorporated into the solicitation documents dated **November 24**, **2020.** All those receiving this addendum should modify their documents to show the below described changes.

• The following are questions received regarding ITB# 21-11-010 Fixed Generator Installation prior to the question's deadline of 2:00 PM on December 4, 2020:

Q1- Page 27, #2 states Only 4 manufacturers are allowed to be used. There are 3 or 4 other quality manufacturers that can meet or exceed the specification listed that has local support and are arguably more user friendly, especially when taking into account after sale service and support and those costs. You have a check sheet that makes sure we can comply with each part of your equipment request so may we submit a "or Equal" with our bid? If you would rather could we get our brand pre approved by submitting spec sheets and some references?

A1- These brands will receive preference. Nothing shall prevent a contractor from submitting a bid that includes 'or equal' products.

Q2- Who is responsible for natural gas piping?

A2- Contractor

Q3- Has each site been verified by the gas company to handle the added fuel consumption and upgraded if needed already? If not, please engage them now or when you deem best so they can tell you about potential upgrades and charges if needed and you can take that into account for your budgeting or grant applications.

A3- Contractor shall engage applicable gas company and factor this item into the bid.

Q4- Where are the remote annunciators to be installed at, at each location?

A4- Will vary according to the facility but generally the annunciators are placed in occupied areas.

Q5- I see each ATS specification is for a NEMA 3R enclosure so we assume some design has already been done and outside is the best place for them versus inside? If inside is a option, can we install inside?

A5- All generators will be placed outside.

Q6- Is there a separate disconnect switch in place to be used prior to the ATS's or is that on us to determine what is needed at each site?

A6- Company to determine need.

Q7- On the two specification for the 30kw's, both list a dba rating of 60 or less. That is a very low rating for almost any manufacturer using their quietist "level 3" enclosure. Usually you see these units rated in the low to mid 60's. Please consider increasing this some or we certainly can take exception to it if that would be best.

A7- Contractor can take exception and note said exception.

Q8- I read through the bid and I noticed that the only accepted brands were CAT, Cummins, Kohler, and Generac. I am the representative for PowerSecure and we manufacture our own generators. PowerSecure is a subsidiary of Southern Company, and Georgia Power is our sister company too. What sets us apart from our competitors is that our generators are non-proprietary. This means that if an internal situation were to ever occur to our generator controls/boards, any company can fix the issue. CAT, Cummins, Kholer, and Generac are all good generator brands, but they have proprietary over their generators. I am asking that you would consider PowerSecure as a brand option. A8- These brands will receive preference. Nothing shall prevent a contractor from submitting a bid that includes 'or equal' products.

Q9- We will be bidding on your generator projects as a generator dealer and inhouse electrical contractor and have a question to clarify. It states in the bid that the Senior Center 125 kw Generator is 277/480 vac, but the transfer switch shown is stated at 120/240 vac at 200 amps. Can you please clarify what the voltage actually is as well as the amperage of the transfer switch needed? A9- The transfer switch needed is 277/480.

Q10- Fire Station 4 and Fire Station 7 are listed with the same address. Can you confirm the address for each station?

A10- Fire Station 4 – 7620 Hog Mountain Road Statham Georgia 30666 Fire Station 7- 1931 McNutt Creek Road Bogart, Georgia 30622

Q11- The ATS listed under the Generator Type 4 is listed as 2 pole single phase while the generator is listed as 480v three phase. Can you confirm the amperage and voltage for the generator and ATS for this site?

A11- The Type 4 generator is 125kw, 277/480 volt. It requires a 200 amp, 277/480 volt, three phase Automatic Transfer Switch (ATS).

Q12- Are these generators designed for full building backups and if so, do the ATSs need to be Service Entrance rated?

A12- Yes.

Q13- Is a Bid Bond and Consent of Surety form required with bid submittal? A13- No.

(END OF ADDENDUM 2)

Please note addendum 2 on the addenda acknowledgement form located in the ITB package.