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ADDENDUM #1 TO RFP #22-106

RFP NUMBER: 22-106 ISSUE DATE: Tuesday, January 17, 2023

(REVISED) OPENING DATE: Wednesday, January 25, 2023 OPENING TIME: 3:30 PM ET

Pre-RFP Conference/Site Inspection: None

PROCUREMENT FOR: Asbestos and Lead Based Paint Assessment Services, As Needed

This addendum will amend <u>RFP #22-106</u>, <u>Asbestos and Lead Based Paint Assessment</u> <u>Services</u>, <u>As Needed</u> originally issued on Wednesday, December 28, 2022. This clarification is being provided to all known and registered correspondents in response to questions received. All addenda and original RFP documents are also available online at: <u>www.gtcounty.org</u>, select "Bid Opportunities" from the Quick Links section.

REVISION: Due to time needed to answer questions received, we will push the bid opening back a week to allow vendors to put their bid submittals together. See revised timeline below and revised items highlighted. All questions received and their corresponding responses are now provided below.

Time Line: Request for Proposal #22-106

Item	Date	Time	Location*
Advertised Date of Issue:	Wednesday, December 28, 2022	n/a	n/a
Pre-Bid Conference/Site Inspection:	NONE	n/a	n/a
Deadline for Questions:	Wednesday, January 11, 2023	3:00PM ET	n/a
(REVISED) Bids Must be Received	Wednesday, January 25, 2023	3:30PM ET	Electronic
on/or Before:			
(REVISED) Public Bid Opening &	Wednesday, January 25, 2023	3:30PM ET	Hybrid
Tabulation:			

Question 1:

It is our understanding that Georgetown County wishes to minimize lab analysis cost. However, the RFP states that Inspection Reports shall be provided within five (5) working days from the date of the inspection. Typically, normal lab turnaround is three to five days to get the lowest cost of analysis. With a five-day turnaround of the Inspection Report, this would require a shorter turnaround of lab analysis in most cases, increasing lab cost. Would the county consider a ten (10) business days turnaround for Inspection Reports?

Response:

Yes, we can modify our requirements given the cost factor. The language in the original bid document shall be changed to read as "Inspection Reports shall be provided within ten (10) working days after the date of the inspection."

Question 2:

On page 7 of the RFP regarding Laboratories, EPA Interim Method for the Determination of Asbestos in Bulk Samples (EPA-600/M4-82-020) is required. This is an outdated method; using this method could triple your lab cost.

The 1982 method (EPA-600/M4-82-020) which is what the county requires, is limited in that it does not provide guidance for analyzing materials that contain thin (<0.25 micrometers) asbestos fibers. Therefore, floor tiles which were analyzed according to the 1982 method and for which negative results were reported may actually contain undetected asbestos.

In 1993, EPA developed an improved test method entitled ``Method for the Determination of Asbestos in Bulk Building Materials" (EPA/600/R-93/116). The test method provides clarifications and improvements to the 1982 EPA ``Interim Method for the Determination of Asbestos in Bulk Insulation Samples" (as found in 40 CFR part 763 Appendix A to Subpart F).

Would the county consider using EPA/600/R-93/116 instead? This is a muchimproved method and more cost effective.

Response:

Replace EPA Interim Method for the Determination of Asbestos in Bulk Samples (EPA-600/M4-82-020) to "Method for the Determination of Asbestos in Bulk Building Materials" (EPA/600/R-93/116".



ADDENDUM ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

RFP #22-106 Asbestos and Lead Based Paint Assessment Services, As Needed Mandatory Submittal Form

To be returned with the final proposal submission to Georgetown County.

COMP	ANY NAME:	
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	Addendum #2 Received Date:	-
	Addendum #3 Received Date:	Initialed By:
	Addendum #4 Received Date:	Initialed By:
	Addendum #5 Received Date:	Initialed By:
	Addendum #6 Received Date:	Initialed By: