

**ARLINGTON COUNTY, VIRGINIA
OFFICE OF THE PURCHASING AGENT**

INVITATION TO BID NO. 21-POL-ITB-399

ADDENDUM NO. 1

Arlington County Invitation to Bid No. 21-POL-ITB-399 for Light Duty Towing Services received the following questions:

Question 1: III. Scope of Work, Section 4. Rates; Subsection - vii) Subsequent Tows - Is this section specifically regarding police directed subsequent tows, for example to Evidence? Or Tow Outs (2nd tows) by owner request or other authorized representative to automotive shops, body shops, etc.?

Response: This provision is only applicable to the subsequent tows requested by the County (all agencies), but not when it is requested by a private owner/operator, or a third-party company working on behalf of the owner-operator, such as insurance company.

Question 2: III. Scope of Work, Section 13. Storage Facility; Subsection ii; Item #6 - In Virginia not further than three (3) miles from the Arlington County line. Question: During the course of the current contract, when Arlington County purchased the storage lot that Redman Fleet Services, Inc. was leasing, permission was granted to modify the distance from the County line to five (5) miles. Our lot is 4.3 miles from the county line. Will the 5 miles be honored under the new bid?

Response: The allowable location of Storage Facility is expanded to include area inside or directly adjacent to the Capital Beltway in Virginia.

Question 3: Section 11. Equipment Requirements - The last paragraph of this section, in the last sentence the "performance bond" is mentioned. Also, in Section 26. Other Requirements - The last sentence of subsection V) say "enforcement of the Performance Bond". Will the current \$75,000 performance bond be mandatory with this bid? There is not any mention in the bid specifically identifying the technical language for a performance bond.

Response: There is no Performance Bond requirement. Any references to the performance bond are hereby removed from the solicitation

Question 4: Does a subsequent tow apply to vehicles that are being towed from the contractors storage lot to another facility for repair, auction or disposal?

Response: See response to Question 1

Question 5: Can a potential bidders' equipment that is allocated for another contract such as a government contract but not limited to be considered for this solicitation?

Response: Yes.

Question 6: If your equipment is allocated to another municipal contract can it be considered for this solicitation?

Response: Yes, as long as that allocation is not exclusive to that contract.

Question 7: Will there be a bid matrix in place or will it go strictly off the calculations on the pricing sheet?

Response: The award will be made by multiplying the unit prices by the estimated quantities indicated on the Pricing Sheet.

Question 8: You mentioned in the pre-bid meeting the storage lot radius limitation may be expanded to five miles due to the lack of facilities available to make this a competitive bid. Will this be expanded ?

Response: See response to Question 2

Question 9: Will there be a surety bond and if so what will it be?

Response: See response to Question 3

Question 10: Will the county make the vacant lot available on Shirlington Road to towing companies to lease if interested in this solicitation?

Response: Since the lot must be leased or owned by the contractor at the time of this bid, this question is not applicable.

Question 11: In the event the Contractors storage facility changes during the term of the contract will the County reevaluate and consider the next qualified bidder?

Response: The distance and size requirements for Contractor's storage facility shall apply throughout the term of the contract. If move is necessary, Contractor's new facility must comply with the contract requirements. If any future facility is not in compliance, it will constitute a breach of contract with a potential for termination.

Question 12: If your storage facility is into the third mile but does not exceed four miles, would this be acceptable?

Response: See response to Question 2

Arlington County Invitation to Bid No. 21-POL-ITB-399 for Light Duty Towing Services is amended as follows:

PLEASE SEE ATTACHED UPDATED ATTACHMENT A – PRICING SHEET

The balance of the solicitation remains unchanged.

Arlington County, Virginia

Lucas Alexander, VCA
Procurement Officer

RETURN THIS PAGE, FULLY COMPLETED AND SIGNED, WITH YOUR BID:

BIDDER ACKNOWLEDGES RECEIPT OF ADDENDUM NUMBER 1.

FIRM NAME: _____

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE: _____ **DATE:** _____