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SHIAWASSEE RESD BUS WASH 2024

Bulletin 1—**NEW DEADLINE IS MAY 16, 2024 AT 2 PM.

Questions and Adjustments—Answers start with **

General Questions:

- Is facility available to be visited/viewed? **Yes, please let me know when you would like to visit and I will coordinate.
- Are there drawings available for the new facility? **Yes, they are available onsite, and electronically if requested.
- Is 3 phase power available? If so, what voltage and amp capacity? **The power is 120/208 3 phase with 200 amps.
- What is the size of the well supplying water to the wash? **35 GPM well flow
- Is there a dedicated equipment area separate from the wash bay to store chemicals and other equipment? **There can be if needed, but the site is still under construction.

Scope of Work, project objectives:

- "utilizing electric, well water supply and drain field discharge" Is natural gas available for the necessary water heater to provide warm water cleaning? **Yes Since discharge is to a drain field, will water reclamation be required? **No If so, have the necessary provisions been made with in ground settling/clarifying pits? Is permitting required from EGLE to discharge to the drain field and will discharge water be tested by EGLE? **Not that we are aware of right now.
- "All installation, including parts and suppliers" It is mentioned later under <u>Price Proposal</u> the price must include complete assembly, including SRESD employed or subcontracted mechanical, electrical, and plumbing. Does SRESD have staff that can perform the mechanical interconnections? **Depends on connection, but we have access to contracted skilled trades. If not, who is responsible for contracting the skilled trades to perform this work? **Depends on connection, but we have access to contracted skilled trades.
- "Direction to the SRESD regarding any infrastructure changes or upgrades necessary to facilitate the implementation of the proposed system" To do this, a comprehensive site assessment would be needed. Would this take place prior to the bid, prior to the award etc? **Prior to the bid is preferred.

On-Going Support

- "Maximum of 1-day response to any system outage that renders a predetermined percentage of the system to be degraded" What would be considered a "response"? Technician response, including onsite if needed. Also, what is the "predetermined percentage of the system to be degraded"? **Change "Maximum of 1-day response to any system outage that renders a predetermined percentage of the system to become degraded" to "Maximum of 1-day response to any system outage that renders the system unusable for washing and rinsing vehicles due to equipment failure."
- -"Ability to obtain support for any issue that cannot be resolved remotely in a predetermined time frame"
- What is the time frame? **24 hours

Price Proposal:

- "The price must also include complete demolition and removal of the current bus wash system" It was previously stated the RFP is to replace a bus wash that was destroyed in a building fire in 2022 and the new facility is nearing completion. Is there still existing equipment that needs to be removed? **No, ignore that portion. We have completed that work since the original RFP design.

Timeline of Completion:

- "The entire project must be completed no later than August 1, 2024......SRESD is anticipating a start date of June 1, 2024" The industry standard is typically 90-120 days. If the project is awarded, but not completed by August 1st, are there penalties or liquidated damages? **We are planning on August 1, 2024, but are willing to look at options based on vendor constraints. New target date is September 30, 2024.
- -During the project specification review, the timeline requires the wash system be completed by August 1,2024. Lead times for the engineering, shop drawings, equipment production, installation, plumbing, electrical and commissioning will take longer than 8 weeks. Normal lead times are from 12-16 weeks to assure a proper design, production, installation, and commissioning process. Can the timeline of completion be changed? **See answer above

Term of Payment:

- "The prime contractor will complete the project AND submit an invoice to the Shiawassee Regional Education Service District Business Office......in order to guaranteed payment." As it is written, it reads as though the equipment will be produced, delivered, installed and operational prior to any payment. Is that correct? **That is the preferred option, but we are willing to look at a percentage of completion timeline/payment schedule.
- -Typical process for payments is based on a schedule of values during the project with the invoices being paid N30 after being submitted. Can the terms be amended to include an approved schedule of values for the project milestones?

Example: Equipment Cost

25% PO/Contract Received25% Shop Drawings Delivered

50% Equipment Shipped to Site
Site Services

Freight Invoiced at time of delivery.

• Installation Invoiced after installation is completed.

Plumbing and Electrical Invoiced after the field plumbing and electrical are completed.
Start-up Invoiced after system is commissioned and the staff are trained.

^{**}Yes, this would be acceptable, but 5% of the total will be held back pending final acceptance.