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ADDENDUM 2

To: All Interested Proposers

From: Linda Gonzalez, Inventory Bid Technician

Date: July 11, 2008

Subject: RFP # 08-091, (RFP) Fire Alarm System for the Jail Annex

The Purchasing Department received questions relating to the above referenced proposal; the response to the following question:

1. Must all fire alarm cable splices meet NFPA 70 NEC requirements? There are several existing splice points that are no currently in approved j-boxes?
Yes they need to meet the NFPA 70 NEC approved j-boxes will need to be installed to meet the requirements.
2. Will you require all the strobes & horn strobes to be replaced along with the Harrington systems?
Approximately 10 to 13 horn strobes will need to be replaced.
3. Does the fire alarm cable in the front offices have to be in conduit?
No; but plenum cable will have to be used.
4. Are the Anzel hood fire suppression systems in the kitchen tied into the fire alarm systems? If not, will they be required during this upgrade?
Yes.
5. Will the installation contractor get more than one escort during system installation, ie. Can multiple crews work at the same time?
Yes.

6. Will the installation contractor be allowed to work more than eight hour days per day?

Yes.

7. Would our Bid be considered if we proposed to replace all the fire alarm in the jail annex including the system in Unit C and still were able to provide a competitive price?

At this time we are only looking at changing the Harrington system. You can submit to replace the complete system and if the price is within the range we can review it.

8. It is my understanding that the fire panels are not currently wired together. Is that correct?

The Harrington panels are wired together.

9. Are you going to be able to provide us with condo pass between all of the panels?

No.

10. Are your fire panels inner connected?

The Harrington panels are inner connected but are not connected to the EST.

11. Is the Harrington panel connected to the EST?

No.

12. Do we have to put new wiring?

Some areas may need new wire or they may not, vendors who saw the existing wire during the walk thru should be able to determine if it meets all the required codes.

13. Are we going to have problems getting in and thru the facility?

Only if there is an emergency that will require us to get out or the jail to go lock down

14. We will have free access to enter a module and will you move the prisoners if we give you a schedule?

Yes.

15. Will you be able to provide a set of plans/prints?

The prints are available for review at the Jail Annex maintenance department but can not be copied or issued out because of security reasons. If you would like to view the plans you may contact Ruben Villa, Maintenance Foreman at 915-856-4848 located at 12501 Montana Ave., El Paso, TX. (Jail Annex).