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ADDENDUM 1

To: All Interested Proposers

From: Claudia Sepulveda, Bid Clerk/Buyer

Date: August 16, 2006

Subject: Bid# 06-063, Urinalysis Test Kits for the Juvenile Probation Department

The Purchasing Department received questions relating to the above referenced proposal. The Juvenile Probation Department has responded to the following questions:

1. Define integrated, test cup. Will the department accept dip cards separate from the urine specimen collection cup?

We are looking for an all inclusive test. No dip cards. Zero exposure.

2. Temperature strip - is it built in between two cup walls or will the department accept a temperature strip on the outside wall (exposed temperature strip)?

Yes. Will consider.

3. There is no urine drug screen cup on the market that screens both illegal drugs of abuse and alcohol simultaneously. Does the department mean to have two separate screens; one for illegal drugs and the other for alcohol?

We are seeking one screen.

4. If two separate screens are involved, one for illegal drugs and the other for alcohol; then the department is looking for a six-drug screen...amphetamines, methamphetamines, cocaine, marijuana, opiates and benzodiazepines; what are the cut off levels of each drug screen?

AMP = 1000, MET = 750, COC = 200, THC = 50, OPI = 300, BZO = 300

5. The illegal drug screen is urine based; will the department accept a saliva test for the alcohol screen that is FDA cleared?

Yes

6. Will the department accept a urine drug screen cup without an "indicator"?

No

7. For lab confirmation result. Does the department mean that if the presumptive positive (EMIT) on site result is sent for confirmation, it will accept another screen (EMIT) from the laboratory? Or *is* the department looking for the EMIT screen to be sent straight to confirmation (GS/MS)? Please clarify.

The EMIT screen to be GS/MS confirmed with a Limit of Detection (LOD).

8. Approximately how many test kits will be utilized on a monthly basis?

400

9. How many physical agency locations will testing be performed at?

One

10. Approximately how many confirmations will be sent to the laboratory on a monthly basis?

Probation Service: Only contested positives. Drug Court: All positive specimens.

11. How many physical locations will be shipping specimens to a laboratory?

One

12. Currently, what method of shipping is utilized for sending specimens to the laboratory?

Overnight mail, DHL

13. What lab do you currently utilize for confirmations?

National Toxicology

14. How much do you currently pay for confirmations?

\$18.00 per drug

15. What company do you currently purchase test kits from?

Probation Services: Phamatech. Drug Court: Redwood Labs, Kroll Laboratory

Specialist, Test Count, Rocky Mountain Toxicology

16. How much do you currently pay for test kits?

Phamatech: \$6.00, Redwood Labs: \$5.00, Kroll Laboratory Specialist: \$4.98, Test Count: \$12.15, Rocky Mountain Toxicology: \$7.00

17. Are chain-of-custody forms required for all specimens, or only those sent to the laboratory for testing?

All specimens