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## **ADDENDUM 5**

To: All Interested Proposers

From: Lucy Balderama, Inventory Bid Technician

Date: November 24, 2008

Subject: RFP # 08-152, BID - At Home Alcohol Monitoring Services for the 234th

**District Court** 

The Purchasing Department received questions relating to the above referenced proposal;

1. In order to determine if our proposal will total more that \$100,000.00, can the County establish how many offenders will be monitored at one time on any given day and length of initial contract?

The easiest way to approach this is to submit a proposal based on client per service, per day. The Court cannot predict how many offenders will be adjudicated and placed in this program.

2. How long is the average stay of each offender on the system?

This will vary widely depending on the facts of the case. We do not have a sufficient track record to predict an "average."

3. Please confirm that the County is Not asking the vendor to complete onsite installations and retrievals of equipment.

My understanding is that this is true.

4. How many offenders will likely require the optional RF monitoring? How many offenders will utilize a standalone MEMS 3000?

We hope to utililize all the MEMS units we get. How many we get depends on funding and reimbursement rates.

5. Would the County consider an alternative technology to the MEMS device, such as a continues alcohol monitoring device?

The County cannot be brand loyal so equivalents may be proposed. However they must meet the minimum specifications as the MEMS unit. No alternative technology or approach will be considered.

6. On Page 6 the first bullet point under "Essential Functions" calls for a description of the unit being supplied in this response. Does the County anticipate receiving responses from vendors that supply monitoring devices other that the MEMS 3000. if so, will those responses be reviewed and considered by the panel?

See answer 5, as long as the unit is a remote alcohol breathing analyzer that meets the same spec's as the MEMS unit we will consider the proposal. (Equivalent)