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ADDENDUM 1

To: All Interested Bidders

From: Elvia Contreras, Formal Bid Buyer

Date: March 23, 2012

Subject: RFP #12-023, Solid Waste and Recycling Services for Multiple El Paso

County Locations

This addendum has been issued to notify vendors of the questions and information that was provided to vendors during the walk-through and the pre-proposal conference:

1. How early will the successful vendor have access to the containers?

Answer: At the courthouse the Sheriff's Department will start unlocking the loading dock between 7:15 and 7:30 a.m. (earliest). The gate which leads to the two recycling dumpsters opens at 6:00 a.m. The recycling dumpsters are located across the street from the County Courthouse. The Detention Facility it's available between 4:00 and 5:00 a.m.

2. Are there any special requirements as far as the material of the carts that can be used? Will metal containers be acceptable?

Answer: There are no requirements.

3. The County requested for 8 containers but during the walk-through at the detention facility only 6 were seen.

Answer: The other two are inside the trash room. You go through the basement, pass the kitchen area and the trash room down the hall. They will get rolled out to the Sally Porch. All trash is coming from the floors through a shoot down to the containers.

4. When is a bid bond required?

Answer: The bid bond is required if the total cost of the bid is more than \$100,000.00. This proposal is for five (5) years and the yearly rate is not the determining factor the total cost of the bid is the determining factor.

5. How will the vendors get the doors to the loading dock opened?

Answer: There is a buzzer in the outside of the door that the vendor can push.

6. Who will be rolling out the dumpsters?

Answer: It is the vendor's responsibility to roll out all dumpsters including the recycling dumpsters.

7. How many invoices will be going out?

Answer: Each building will require its own separate invoice. The contact person for each location will be provided upon award of the bid.

8. Can invoices be sent by email?

Answer: Yes

9. Does the jail get picked up every day of the year?

Answer: Yes

- 10. Please clarify service requirements for Sheriff DT Detention Facility in regards to holidays? **Answer: Includes all holidays as specified in the bid.**
- 11. Can you please clarify who provides the compactor used at the Sheriff's Jail Annex at 12501 Montana?

Answer: El Paso Disposal

12. Is it provided by the County of El Paso or the "vendor"?

Answer: The vendor shall provide and maintain the compactor.

13. Under Section 16-Cancellation Terms (c) Price of contract is no longer competitive and exceeds market rate of equivalent service. Can you explain?

Answer: The County is a political subdivision of the State of Texas, and as such sets its budget according to the laws of the State of Texas for a period of one year beginning on October 1st and terminating on September 30th of each year. In the event the County does not intend to include sufficient funds in its next annual budget, in any fiscal year during the term of the Agreement, the County may terminate the agreement without penalty or further payment, upon 30 days written notice to Vendor.

14. How long was your current contract?

Answer: 2yrs with three (3) options to renew.

15. How long has your current provider been providing these services?

Answer: They are on their fifth year so all of their options have been expired.

16. Upon award of the bid the successful proposer will be provided with a list departments, contact information and instruction on where to send invoice.

Answer: Yes.