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ADDENDUM 3

To: All Interested Proposers

From: Lucy Balderama, Administrative Assistant

Date: June 25, 2007

Subject: Bid# 07-085, Replacement of Chillers at the MDR Building

The Purchasing Department received questions relating to the above referenced Bid.

Where can we get a set of plans for these projects?
 If the vendor is requesting plans or product specifications of the Trane Water-Cooled Series R[™] they may obtain them from the manufacturer or through product search on the internet. We cannot publish duplicated copies of the plans since the product is trademarked and the prints fall under copyright laws.

If the vendor is requesting plans for the existing McQuay chillers that will be removed, no documentation exists, to our knowledge. The vendor is welcome to scope, take measurements, and photograph the project site if requested as part of a walk through.

If the vendor is requesting electrical or mechanical prints, no such plans exist, to our knowledge. The vendor is welcome to scope, take measurements, and photograph the project site if requested as part of a walk through.

Please see attached

- 2. Would we be able to bid this job using YORK cooling equipment?

 We will not arbitrarily reject any bid of another brand or manufacturer. If any vendor feels that their product is *equivalent* to the product specified, *and* meets all of the product specifications, *and* is 100% compatible with our existing equipment that the units will tie in to, without an additional expense to the County to accommodate a retrofit if it is not initially compatible, *and* the vendor meets *all* of the removal and installation requirements, the alternative equivalent product will be considered fairly and equally.
- 3. Who is the engineer on this project?
 There is no "engineer" on this product. The Facilities Management Department will oversee the contract and the Facilities Manager, Manuel Lucero, will act as the coordinator and liaison between the vendor and the County. The specifications require that the vendor appoint a Project Manager to oversee the actual work of the project.

If the vendor has a question or concern that needs the qualified opinion of an degreed engineer that directly relates to the county property, job site, or specifications, we will ask one of the engineers on staff in another department, to assist in resolving the issue as a courtesy to our department. However, if the vendor is requesting the services of a degreed engineer to actually participate in the development, management, or execution of the portion of the project specifications *they* are responsible for, then the vendor would be responsible for the services and expense of a private degreed engineer of their choosing and should submit the expense as part of the project's final costs.

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