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ADDENDUM 2

To: All Interested Proposers

From: Linda Gonzalez, Inventory Bid Technician

Date: December 14, 2007

Subject: RFP # 07-158, (RFP) Fixed-Route Commuter Bus Service of El Paso

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

1. In submitting a cashier's check for the amount of 5% of the total amount we are concerned that if we are not awarded the Bid what is the procedure that the County has in place to return our money?

After the bid has been awarded, and a contract reached, the Purchasing Department will mail to all the unsuccessful bidders through certified mail their respective cashier's checks or bid bonds.

- 2. Will the award of this RFP be fair and impartial since the bid in the past and present has been awarded to a non profit and political entity (LULAC). We cannot compete with an non profit entity and clearly cannot contribute to any political or special interest groups or persons in elected positions within the county, will this be a fair award? And what steps the county is taking to insure that it will be fair? The award of this RFP will be fair and impartial. The past and present bids were awarded based on the factors of those bids—no more, no less. No where in the current specifications is there any verbiage stating that the successful vendor must be a not for profit entity or contribute to any political or special interest groups. The specifications address the fixed route services and requirements, and are the only factor that will be evaluated.
- 3. Will the County receive any benefits from the State if a HUB vendor is awarded the bid?

 No.