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VIA EMAIL

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RESPONSE TO INQUIRIES

REQUEST FOR BIDS

RM-169719

UNDERGROUND UTILITY LOCATING AND MARKING SERVICES

Below are the New Jersey Turnpike Authority's responses to inquiries received with respect to the above-referenced Request for Bid ("RFB").

Responses to Inquiries:

1. Reference Page 4, Section II, A. 5.

This section states that the two one-year extensions are "at the Authority's discretion and with the vendor's concurrence." [Emphasis added]

However, the Specifications for Underground Utility Locating and Marking Services, Section 2, G. 2 'Contract Period' on Page 9 states, "The Authority, at its sole discretion, [Emphasis added] may choose to extend this Contract for an additional two (2), one (1) year terms

Is the extension at the Authorities sole discretion or with concurrence of the vendor?

RESPONSE: IF the Authority chooses to extend the Vendor has the right to concur or not concur to the extension(s).

2. Reference Page 6, Specifications for Underground Utility Locating and Marking Services, Section 2 Contract Period. What is the anticipated date of the Notice of Award?

RESPONSE: The Authority anticipates awarding Notice of Award at the April 26, 2022 Commission Meeting and following the Governor 10-day veto period.

3. Reference Page 6, Specifications for Underground Utility Locating and Marking Services, Section 3 General Conditions, Paragraph D. “The Contractor shall be required to locate and mark all Authority owned facilities which include electric, water, gas, forced sewer mains and telephone/fiber optic lines of all sizes.” Does this include the “Fiber Plant” which was the subject of the REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR FIBER OPTIC MANAGEMENT AND MAINTENANCE SERVICES, ORDER FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES NO. A3901?

RESPONSE: No

4. Reference Page 8, Specifications for Underground Utility Locating and Marking Services, Section 5 Pricing. Please provide the unit rates for each pay item for the most recent previous RFB for these services.

RESPONSE: Item 1. \$35.04

Item 2. \$35.04

Item 3. \$63.77

Item 4. \$70.08

Item 5. \$70.08

Item 6. \$54.50

5. Reference Page 8, Specifications for Underground Utility Locating and Marking Services, Section 5 Pricing. Please provide the actual quantity of each item under the current contract or past contracts for calendar years 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021.

RESPONSE: The Authority can only provide information for 2021 Total received from NJ One call for GSP 6727/ NJT 5925 for screening by the Authority. Approximately 4200-4700 requests sent out for utility locating to Contractor for NJT/GSP and 2020 total received from NJ One call for GSP 5711/NJT 5824 for screening by the Authority. Approximately 5796 -5900 requests sent out for utility locating to contractor.

6. Reference Page 12, Specifications for Underground Utility Locating and Marking Services, Section 8 Drawings. “After locating and marking the utilities in the area specified by the mark-out ticket the Contractor will clearly mark said utilities in their proper location on the appropriate roadway map (surveying of utilities is not required, the approximate locations on the drawings will suffice).” Are CADD drawings required or are hand red-lined drawings acceptable?

RESPONSE: Either/Or

7. Reference Page 14, Specifications for Underground Utility Locating and Marking Services, Section 10, Liability for Damages and Damage Investigation. Is the Contractor responsible for repairing damaged utilities in any way? Or will the Authority repair the utilities and pass along the costs associated with those repairs to the Contractor.

RESPONSE: Refer to Page 13, Section II, G. 10, Liability for Damages and Damage Investigation.

8. Reference Page 15, Specifications for Underground Utility Locating and Marking Services, Section 13 Traffic, Tolls and Safety. Is the Contractor responsible for shoulder closures, short durations shoulder closures, and lane closures or will closures be set up and paid for by the Authority?

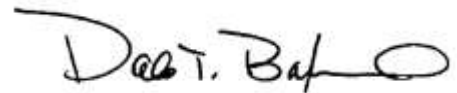
RESPONSE: Contractor is responsible for providing traffic protection unless otherwise agreed upon to utilize an existing traffic protection in place at time of Markout request.

9. Would the Authority allow a discounted proposal contingent upon the award of both (2) NJTA Requests for Proposals; RM-169719 UNDERGROUND UTILITY LOCATING AND MARKING SERVICES and A3901 FIBER OPTIC MANAGEMENT AND MAINTENANCE SERVICES.

RESPONSE: N/A

NO OTHER CHANGES. ALL OTHER DATA REMAINS IN EFFECT.

Very truly yours,



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