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SOUTH CAROLINA

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ADDENDUM NO. 2

TO: ALL VENDORS
FROM: Reed Bickers 
SUBJECT: Sealed Bid # USC-IFB-2497-RB

OPENING DATE AND TIME: Has been changed to: October 9, 2013 at 3:00 P.M.

DATE OF AWARD NOTICE: Has been changed to October 16, 2013.

DATE: October 1, 2013

This Addendum No. 2 modifies the Bid invitation only in the manner and to the extent as stated herein.

Item One: III Scope of Work/Specifications 8. Control of wood destroying organisms: Remove 8.1 thru 8.6. **ADD 8.7 as follows:** Our intent is to be made aware of any potential WDO's found during the performance of the contract and have these reported by the contractor to Housing within 24 hours, when possible, so that we can take action and address it as needed. We feel that the contractor may be the best suited to identify this type of infestation during the general pest control services or through specifically called in work orders and report these to us accordingly." The University will issue separate purchase orders for the elimination of WDO's and the treatment service will not be a part of this contract.

Item Two: III Scope of Work/Specifications: ADD 16. Green Pest Control: ONLY Green Quad, Patterson Hall and Honors College. These buildings require "green" pest control services beginning with an Integrated Pest Management (IPM) but going the extra step. The use of non-chemical methods is preferred. For insect management, the use of monitors, glue boards, insect lights, vacuums, and pheromone traps are preferred. With the exception of void applications of dusts or baits, interior preventive treatments are not permitted. The interior use of botanical pesticides is preferred when needed and must be crack & crevice, spot or void treatments only. Detailed documentation with reasons for interior treatments must be kept by the Contractor and discussed at monthly meetings.

Rodent control will involve baiting, glue boards and catch traps, before any exterior rodenticide is considered for use. Detailed documentation on all rodent activity will be kept by the Contractor and discussed at monthly meetings.

Vendors must supply a detailed program description describing procedures for performing

green pest control and submit it with their bid. A list of products that will be used for green pest control must be supplied by contractor prior to commencement of this contract to the University Liaison and Departmental Liaison. The use of botanical pesticides is preferred followed by the use of the least possible toxic pesticides in emergency type infestations. The use of these pesticides must be agreed upon by the Liaisons and the Contractor. Any other product not listed in the green pest control program must be approved in advance by the Liaisons.

The successful Contractor must also supply documentation that the lead technician working on this facility and other green facilities on campus has been properly trained in the green pest control procedures of the Contractor. The substitute technician and any other employee of the Contractor working on this facility must also have the same level of training in order to treat green facilities. Submit documentation for both with your bid.

Item Three: VIII. Bidding Schedule/Price-Business Proposal: ADD: F. Bed Bug Elimination: (Provide details and submit on a separate sheet of paper) \$ _____

Questions submitted by vendors and received by the deadline of 3:00 P.M. September 19, 2013 are addressed as follows:

Question #1: When can I make site visits?

Answer: There will be no site visits.

Question #2: Who had the winning bid on the last award?

Answer: Dodson Pest Control, Charlotte, NC.

Question #3: What was the price of the last award?

Answer: \$93,000.00 annually.

Question #4: What is different on this bid, if anything, from the last award?

Answer: Previous award included Dining Services, McCutchen/Food Labs, Russell House non-dining areas, President's House & Annex.

Question # 5: Is it the intent for USC to include bedbug service in the monthly routine price or is it to be billed separately.

Answer: Bed bug services are to be billed separately. See bid schedule item F on page 34

Question #6: When USC refers to fumigation work do you mean ULV (ultra-low volume) space treatments (fogging), or actually using a restricted use fumigant such as Vikane or Profume?

Answer: No fumigation services have been performed. See Section III. Scope of Work/Specifications 10. Insect Control and see VIII. Bidding Schedule/Price-Business Proposal.

Question # 7: Under section 8 "Control of Wood Destroying Organisms" in subparagraph 8.1 in line 5 it states "remediation services, should they be required due to discovery during initial inspection are not covered as part of this plan and remediation shall be priced separately upon request of the O&M manager". Then in 8.2 line 2 it states "the university anticipates that the initial WDO inspections will be completed within 3 months of receiving this contract". Does this mean that after the initial inspection, that the university expects termite services and other WDO

services to be performed at no cost to the university? If so will you be specific as to which WDO's are expected to be covered by a routine service charge?

Answer: WDO's will be billed separately.

Question #8: What was the date of the last award?

Answer: August 5, 2008.

Question #9: Who is the current pest control provider?

Answer: See question #2 and answer.

Question #10: What was the annual value of the last award?

Answer: See question #3 and answer.

Question #11: What was the actual annual spend for pest control in 2012?

Answer: \$80,400.00.

Question #12: What was the actual annual spend for Bed Bug treatments in 2012?

Answer: \$4,400.00.

Question # 13: What was the actual annual spend for Nuisance animal control in 2012?

Answer: \$4,405.00

Question #14: What was the actual annual spend for Wood Destroying Pests in 2012?

Answer: \$450.00

Question #15: How many "fumigation" services were performed in 2012? and if any, what was the target pest?

Answer: None.

Question #16: How many treatments for Bed Bugs were performed in 2012?

Answer: Nine (9) treatments of confirmed bed bugs, 19 preventive treatments of surrounding rooms/apartments

Question # 17: How many clean-out services for cockroach infestations were performed in 2012?

Answer: None.

Question #18: What type of termite bonds are in place for the buildings included in this bid?

Answer: See question #7 and answer.

Question #19: Are any of the buildings utilizing a bait and monitor system for termite control (example: Sentricon type system, etc.). If so, please list buildings.

Answer: See question #7 and answer.

Question #20: Please clarify section 8. Control of Wood Destroying Organisms. 8.1 please clarify that inspections are to be included in the Award amount, but that if activity is discovered,

the contractor would submit an estimate for the treatment and a separate work order would be generated if approved. Is that only at the initial inspection, what is the process if termite activity is discovered at a later date in the contract period. Would a separate agreement still be submitted?

Answer: See question #7 and answer.

Question #21: Bed Bugs are listed as a covered pests. Typically Bed Bugs treatments are a separate line item, but we can give a set rate for treatment. Typically if bed bugs are suspected the contractor would be called to perform an inspection and then an estimate would be given for approval. Please clarify how you want that Bed Bug services submitted.

Answer: See question #5 and answer.

Question #22: Bats are included as a covered pests, is this service if needed, to be included under the nuisance animal control?

Answer: Yes, covered under Section 9 as nuisance animal control.

Question #23: Who is currently providing the covered services to USC Columbia?

Answer: See question #2 and answer.

Question #24: Approximately how many "emergency" service calls were there in the last 12 months?

Answer: None.

Question #25: Is there a written criteria for emergency calls?

Answer: Yes, see page 17 Section 7 Service Requirements, 7.6 Emergency Service.

Question #26: Approximately how many service calls were for bedbugs?

Answer: 28

Question #27: Approximately how many service calls were for nuisance wildlife?

Answer: 7

Question #28: What was the cost of covered services (by service if possible) to USC Columbia in the last 12 months?

Answer: See question #11 and answer.

Question #29: What have been the recurring issues/concerns related to pest control and the way services are currently delivered?

Answer: Unknown

Question #30: How many fumigations were performed in the last 12 months?

Answer: None.

Question #31: Have any of these facilities within the scope of the solicitation been identified as needing treatment or treated for termites, carpenter ants, or other WDOs ? If so, please identify facility , date of treatment, chemical/method used, and target WDO/insect.

Answer: See question #7 and answer.

Question #32: Are any of the facilities currently under contract for wood damaging insects? If so please identify facility.

Answer: See question #7 and answer.

Question #33: Have any of the facilities had an active infestation of covered WDO with in the last year? If so, please provide details of treatment and follow-up for that facility.

Answer: See question #7 and answer.

Question #34: Pricing sheet does not have place for termite; where should this be inserted?

Answer: See question #7 and answer.

Question #35: Can heat fumigations mentioned be subcontracted or excluded from bid?

Answer: See question # 6 and answer. See Section II. Instructions to Offerors-B. Special Instructions, Preferences-Resident Subcontractor Preference (Sep 2009) and Section V. Qualifications, Subcontractor-Identification (Jan 2006).

Question #36: Can vikane fumigations mentioned be subcontracted or excluded from bid?

Answer: See question #35 and answer.

Question #37: In section 8.3 on page 18, it asks for pricing for treatment on buildings with infestations, where does this pricing go?

Answer: See question #7 and answer.

Question #38: In section 8.4 on page 18, it asks for preventative treatment on all buildings. By label (law), both treatments are the same. Is USC asking for a treatment on every building and cost to be included in General Pest Control charges?

Answer: See question #7 and answer.

BIDDER SHALL ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF ADDENDUM NO. 1 IN THE SPACE PROVIDED BELOW AND RETURN IT WITH THEIR SEALED BID RESPONSE. FAILURE TO DO SO MAY SUBJECT BID TO REJECTION.

Authorized Signature

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Date