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**ADDENDUM 3**

**To: All Interested Proposers**

**From: Araceli Hernandez, Inventory Bid Technician**

**Date: October 28, 2013**

**Subject: BID# 13-060, Furnish and Install Flexible Insulation in the HVAC System at the Downtown Detention Facility**

**This addendum has been issued to notify the vendors of the following questions and modifications:**

1. Pay scale states $10.00 per hour for an Insulator. There is a new scale for the city/county and it is $14.00 per hour.  Will you be using the old pay scale?

**Response: We will use the pay scale as posted on the Purchasing website: http://www.epcounty.com/purchasing/wages.htm**

1. On page 24 Item 24. B. I do not understand if we need a bond or not. ( the last 2 sentences )

**Response: If the bid is over $50,000, yes, a performance bond will be required.**

**If the bid is less than $50,000, no, a performance bond will not be required.**

1. What is the per diem on the rates? Do we have to pay that in conjunction with the base rate and fringes?

**Response: Per diem rates are listed on http://www.epcounty.com/purchasing/wages.htm**

1. Are plans available to view?

**Response: Yes, plans are available for viewing only. Vendors must contact Araceli Hernandez at the Purchasing Department (915) 546-2048 ext 4520, to schedule an appointment to view the plans. No pictures may be taken of the plans.**

1. **Is the Ethics Training mandatory and who is the Ethics Commission signature on the Ethic Forms?**

**Response: Yes, it is mandatory and if the form is not signed by the vendor they are disqualified. The Ethics Commission is the authority on the signature page.**

1. **Can you explain and clarify the verbiage on the Apprenticeship Program and Prevailing Wage?**

**Response: Information about the County’s apprenticeship program requirements can be found at** [**http://www.epcounty.com/purchasing/wages.htm**](http://www.epcounty.com/purchasing/wages.htm)**.**

**For information on the actual apprenticeship program itself, see http://www.dol.gov/dol/topic/training/apprenticeship.htm#doltopics**

1. **What are the working hours permitted?**

**Response: Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. and plan accordingly checking in and out.**

1. **Dose the working crew need to pass a background check?**

**Response: Yes, standard clearance for crew.**

1. **Is it the vendor’s responsibility to remove Rusted Metal?**

**Response: No**

1. **Is everything that needs to me removed from the work area removed?**

**Response: Yes**

1. **What type of insulation is the county requesting?**

**Response: All the information is on the specifications posted on the County website** [www.epcounty.com](http://www.epcounty.com)**.**

1. **Does the County want to know what type of insulation the vendor is using?**

**Response: Yes, the vendor must submit the type of insulation they will be bidding and using for this project.**

1. **Is there a deadline to complete this project?**

**Response: The vendor shall submit their deadline that will determine the timeline for this project.**

1. **Does the vendor need to address the blower in the basement?**

**Response: No, only insulation.**

1. **How many floors does the insulation have to be installed in?**

**Response: All the floors excluding the 12th floor.**

1. **Which floors are the return and supply?**

**Response: Even floors are return and odd floors are supply.**

1. **If vendors have concerns with the type of insulations that is being requested on the specification, the vendor may submit a product they would like to bid on. Make sure your product conforms to the specifications. The vendor can submit an alternate.**
2. **Blowers will be turned off during the work hours and turned back on at the end of the work day, until the project is complete.**