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ADDENDUM

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ADDENDUM #1

RFP 17MISC10, Construction Management Inspection and Testing Services

<u>DUE DATE & TIME:</u> FCPS Main Lobby, <u>Wed., April 19, 2017</u>, prior to and time stamped <u>no later than 2:00 P.M.</u>

This addendum is being issued to provide additions, corrections, clarifications and answers to certain questions raised referencing the original bid packages and any resultant contracts for the above request for proposals.

1. Question: We would like to know that inspection services are required only for civil/structural and architectural systems and there are no MEP system inspections included in the scope?

Answer: The scope of this solicitation does not include MEP system inspections.

FCPS will require the listed test preformed in conjunction with MEP as appropriate, IE back filling electrical, plumbing and mechanical trenches, concrete testing and fire caulking services for the trade work passing through in proximity to MEP trade installations.

Water flow test may be requested separately from the test listed for specific needs.

FCPS may request MEP trade work as hourly rate for work "other than specified" on the form or proposal. This work may include system grounding test for the electrical system or lighting protection systems. Thermal imaging of electrical panels near the final inspections stages of the construction, when electrical loads are on the distribution boxes and wiring. FCPS will request a quote for other than specified inspections as those inspections are identified.

- 2. Question: In Page 11, Figure 9. Bid Pricing, a. Prices quote shall not exceed the prices established under any government price control regulation. Would you please elaborate or provide references? Answer: This refers to governmental price controls for commodities such as milk, steel, and oil.
- 3. Question: In Page 12, Figure 10. Taxes, a. & b., Should my unit prices not incorporate tax factor? Answer: If your company pays taxes on materials/supplies you should incorporate that cost factor in your unit prices.
- 4. Question: In Page 20, Figure 28. Liquidated Damages, f. The assessment of liquidated damages by FCPS against the awarded vendor(s) does not supersede or affect the right of FCPS to impose other remedies that may be available. This clause illustrate uncertainties for the ceiling of liquidated damages, is there a ceiling for the liquidated damages in dollar amount? Answer: No
- 5. Question: In Page 26, Figure 4. Pricing, a. All prices shall remain firm through the initial contract period. Does that for the next 3 years until April 30th, 2020? Answer: Yes. Is that take into consideration market changes? Answer: Price adjustments are considered at renewal time.
- 6. Question: FCPS expects all vendors to provide year over year cost reduction recommendations. Can you elaborate in that please? Answer: FCPS expects vendors to provide alternative solutions/recommendations in lieu of increasing prices.

- 7. Question: Reviewing the requirements from the Technical Proposal (reference page 30 and 31 of the RFP), the Experience section asks for Sq. ft. site acreage, and hours of testing necessary to complete work. Our understanding is that past performance highlights would include experience on similar IDIQ/on-call contracts, where this is info is not necessarily pertinent. Answer: FCPS requests this information (sq. ft., site acreage, and hours) to evaluate your previous site work testing process.
- 8. Question: Is it the school system's preference to just highlight experience with the scope of services on new construction and renovations and avoid highlighting experience with similar IDIQ/on-call contracts for school systems? Answer: Answer: Please provide your company's experience on all projects with similar requirements/scope and not just school experience.
- 9. Question: In Page 34. Table 2, Inspection Testing, Rebar replacement (Without concrete testing), could explain what is the inspection meant to be? Answer: Normally, rebar testing is completed while other inspections are on-going (same Inspector). This is when a rebar Inspector is required without any other inspections.
- 10. Brick Prism Tests in accordance with ASTM E447. That test standard has been replaced with ASTM C1388. Clarification: ASTM C1388 has replaced ASTM E447 and the Form of Proposal (FOP) has been revised.
- 11. pH Topsoil Tests in accordance with ASTM E 447 must be a typo. Should it read ASTM D5268? Or ASTM G51? Answer: pH topsoil test should read as ASTM D5268.
- 12. Does FCPS want a unit cost for curing cylinders? If we do not have a cost associated with this are we to indicate \$0.00? Answer: Curing cylinders is a part of the test and should be incorporated into the test fee. The FOP has been revised to request these costs.
- 13. This Addendum includes the following attachments:
 - a. Revised Form of Proposal (1 page)

Thank you for your interest in bidding with Frederick County Public Schools and we apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused.

Sincerely,

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RFP #17MISC10, CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT INSPECTION & TESTING SERVICES REVISED COST/PRICE PROPOSAL

(Note: Inspectors working on projects other than FCPS will not constitute overtime charges for FCPS inspections, testing, or laboratory analysis.)

Testing Services		Cost Per Unit
Each	D 698 Proctor T 99	
Each	D1557 Proctor T180	
Each	D422 Soil Particle Size	
Each	D4318 Liquid, Plastic Limits & Plastic Index	
Each	D854 Specific Gravity T-100	
Each	California Bearing Ratio E 1883	
Each	Prism - CMU or Brick ASTM C1388	
Each	PH (Topsoil Testing) ASTM D5268	
Each	Water Testing (Chlorine Final Health Approval)	
Each	Mortar Cubes	
Each Cylinder	Cure, Laboratory	
Each Cylinder	Cylinders, Break	
Each Cylinder	Cylinder, Disposal	
Each Cylinder	Cylinder Test for Field Cured Samples	
Each Cylinder	Cylinder Test Cost for Lab Cured Samples	

Inspection Services		Straight Time, Up to 40 hours per week employed by FCPS	Overtime, In excess of 40 hours per week employed by FCPS
Hourly Rate	Density, Sand Cone, or One Point Testing		
Hourly Rate	Project Manager		
Hourly Rate	Engineer		
Hourly Rate	Bio-Retention Pond Testing		
Hourly Rate	Concrete, Slump, Cylinders, Air Entrainment		
Hourly Rate	Bearing, Drop Hammer		
Hourly Rate	Structural Steel Inspection		
Hourly Rate	Pick Up Test Cylinders (no other inspections for FCPS)		
Hourly Rate	Rebar Replacement (without concrete testing)		
Hourly Rate	Asphalt Compaction		
Hourly Rate	Fire Safeing		
Hourly Rate	Proof Rolling		
Flat 4 Hours	Ultrasonic Testing		
Flat 4 Hours	Core Boring (4 hour shift)		
Hourly Rate	Core Boring (each hour above 4)		
Hourly Rate	Inspection Services Not Listed Above		