Sonoma County Waste Management Agency Request for Proposals for Organic Materials Processing Services

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Addendum No. 3

Issued – September 22, 2017

From: SONOMA COUNTY WASTE MANAGEMENT AGENCY

To: COMPANIES THAT ATTENDED THE MANDATORY PRE-PROPOSAL CONFERENCE

ADDENDUM NO. 3: Request for Proposals for Organic Materials Processing Services

Notice is hereby given that this Addendum No. 3 is provided to the companies represented at the Mandatory Pre-Proposal Conference held on June 28, 2017, and that the clarifications, additions and/or deletions contained in this Addendum shall be made part of the Request for Proposals (RFP) for the above-referenced project, and shall be subject to all applicable requirements there-under, as if originally shown and/or specified.

Change in Due Date for Submission of Proposals

Notice is hereby given that the due date for submission of Proposals in response to the RFP is being **extended to January 16, 2018 by 11:00 a.m. PDT**. The due date is no longer October 18, 2017 by 11:00 a.m. PDT, as was originally stated in various sections throughout the RFP document and in Addendum No. 1.

The last day to submit questions is also being extended to November 13, 2017 by 11:00 a.m. PDT. The due date is no longer September 8, 2017 by 11:00 a.m. PDT, as was originally stated in various sections throughout the RFP document and in Addendum No. 1.

Questions Submitted in Response to the RFP

The following questions were submitted in response to the original RFP document issued on May 31, 2017. The SCWMA's response is provided below each question, and information is provided regarding any corresponding revisions, additions, or deletions that are hereby made to the text of the original RFP document and Agreement.

Question 1:

(a) Item 4.21, page 29 of the RFP states that the performance bond must be provided as set forth in Form L of Section 6 of RFP's Attachment C (note that this document is called Attachment B at the foot of the pages), but Attachment C includes only Forms from A to G. Could you please clarify this matter?

RFP Section 4.21 is hereby revised as follows:

A performance bond in the form as set forth in Form <u>G</u> <u>L</u> of Section 6 of this RFP (Attachment C) is required from the successful Proposer(s) within ten (10) calendar days from the date the SCWMA Board approves the Agreement(s) in an amount of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000).

(b) Provide the Performance Bond form?

Performance Bonds should be submitted in the form of a commitment letter from a State of California licensed Surety Company.

(c) Confirm that Forms H, I, J, K are not included in this RFP?

Confirmed.

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Question 2:

Regarding the parcels located nearby the wastewater treatment plant as proposed by the City of Santa Rosa: What documentation has been issued by either USFWS- Fish and Wildlife Service, the Army Corp of Engineers, or any other governmental agency, as to what mitigation measures and costs would be required to allow a compost or AD facility to be built and operated on the 18 acre parcel. This parcel is currently listed as critical habitat for the Sonoma County California Tiger Salamander.

All questions regarding the City of Santa Rosa parcel should be directed to the City, Mike Prinz at MPrinz@srcity.org. Please see the answer to Question 11.b. in Addendum No. 2.

Question 3:

Prevailing Wage – do you have a specific guidance document that the proposer should use in relation to prevailing wages for construction and operation of the facility?

Please see the answer to Question 13 in Addendum #2: "Prevailing wages are required for all "public works," which are defined under Labor Code section 1720 to include any construction, alteration, demolition, installation, or repair work done under contract and paid for in whole or in part out of public funds. The SCWMA cannot definitively say whether the proposals will include work that falls within this statutory definition of "public works." The SCWMA expects that parties responding to this RFP will make the determination of whether or not prevailing wages apply, based on the work to be conducted under each specific proposal. The SCWMA will further require that the selected party or parties will indemnify the SCWMA for any potential prevailing wage claims brought in connection with the work undertaken pursuant to this RFP."

Question 4:

Residual Disposal Rate – can you share the gate rates for the disposal of any residuals?

SCWMA encourages potential proposers to engage in conversation with the operator of the transfer/landfill system, Republic Services, about current and future changes to the gate rates for disposal in the County.

Question 5:

CEQA/Timing – if the proposer is awarded the project and has any delays related to CEQ, CTS mitigation or other relevant permits, is SCWMA willing to provide them with relief on the timing?

SCWMA is willing to work with successful proposers on the timing of agreement award and start date.

Question 6:

Wood Chipping – the agency requested wood chipping services on site. Can the agency please elaborate on what it is requesting?

SCWMA desires that highest and best use of materials be offered. Facilities may accept wood waste which is larger than generally accepted for composting, and may chip such

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wood waste for sale in the marketplace as ground cover, biomass, or any other uses that are not ADC.

Question 7:

Dates – in the original RFP, the agency had provided clear dates for review, interviews, etc. In the extension, the due date was updated but the review process dates were not clarified. Can the agency provide an updated schedule for all relevant decision points?

The schedule is hereby updated according to Table 1, below.

TABLE 1: PROCUREMENT SCHEDULE, Revised as of Addendum No. 3

Activity Date		
Last Questions Due	November 13, 2017 by 11:00 a.m. PDT	
Proposals Due	January 16, 2018 by 11:00 a.m. PDT	
Interview Qualified Proposers	February 12 – 16, 2018 (Tentative)	
Site Visits (as needed)	March 5 – 9, 2018 (Tentative)	
Recommendations to the SCWMA Board for Award	April 18, 2018 (Tentative)	
Start Processing Services	June 2018 and onward	

Question 8:

Draft Agreement – on provision 3.04.11 Odor Containment, is the agency open to third party validations of any detection to ensure that the complaints or detection are legitimate and attributed to the facility?

Yes, although the Air District / Local Enforcement Agency verification of odor complaints will be considered the most accurate for the purposes of any enforcement actions that might be taken.

Question 9:

Draft Agreement – on provision 3.14.7 LDs, is the agency willing to modify them if the proposer provides details on why they don't believe that they are relevant?

SCWMA is not removing any LDs that are included in the draft Agreements, and Proposers are required to propose given the LDs that are provided. However, per section 5.5.6 of the RFP, proposers may suggest exceptions to be considered. Please note that the SCWMA has no obligation to accept any proposed service alternative or Agreement exception.

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All Applicants are required to sign this page of this Addendum No. 3, and shall submit a signed copy of this page with their Proposal package.

Thank you for your participation,

Sonoma County Waste Management Agency Patrick Carter Executive Director

ADDENDUM NO. 3 DATE: So	eptember 22, 2017	
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REPRESENTATIVE'S NAME:		
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