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Solicitation No.: B210331TRD

Solicitation Name: WWTP Solids-Sludge Removal, Dewatering and Landfill Disposal

Subject: Addendum Number 4

The following represents clarification, additions, deletions, and/or modifications to the above referenced bid. This addendum shall hereafter be regarded as part of the solicitation. Items not referenced herein remain unchanged, including the response date. Words, phrases or sentences with a strikethrough represent deletions to the original solicitation. Underlined words and bolded, phrases or sentences represent additions to the original solicitation.

1. ATTACHMENT: NONE

2. QUESTIONS/ANSWERS

1.	Will there be a need for the contractor to provide a dewatering press to dewater sludge removed for the units?
Answer	No, the Vendor will not need to provide a dewatering press to dewater sludge. In the past the sludge was dewatered with normal gravity drainage.

2.	Will the contractor need to utilize a vactor truck to remove solids?
Answer	Vendor shall be responsible to determine the need to utilize a vactor truck to remove solids. However, in the past, solids were removed by hopper and crane method.

3.	Has a list of units to be cleaned and a sequence of cleaning events been prepared?
Answer	A list of units to be cleaned and a sequence of cleaning events have not been prepared, at this time. The County will notify the Vendor to begin work by issuance of Purchase Order. Cleanings may vary from one to four tanks at one time, at various facilities, with all work to be completed within 120 calendar days from issuance of Purchase Order. Not all facilities will be cleaned at one time. Site locations and dates may vary.

4.	Does the Lee/Hendry Landfill require the solids/sludge disposal to pass paint filter test?
Answer	Yes, the Lee/Hendry Landfill requires solids/sludge disposal to pass the paint filter test.

5.	All of them are open? Open tanks? You don't have any confined space stuff?
Answer	All tanks to be cleaned are open tanks, and are considered confined spaces. Proper confined space entries will need to be performed. Oxidation ditch tanks were also listed to be cleaned for this solicitation.

6.	At the Landfill, do you got an account at the Landfill? Or is it up to the Contractor to get the account & profile set? Will they bill you for the tipping fees
Answer	The Lee/Hendry Landfill will bill the County for the tipping fees. Vendor may have to work with the Landfill to set up the profile.

7.	You don't envision any like belt press, or centrifuge, or anything for this cleaning? It's all just a manual? Get in there, so you gotta crane and bucket it out?
Answer	Yes, the County does not envision cleaning methods with belt press or centrifuge. The County envisions most of the cleanings to be done manually with a crane and bucketing out the debris/residue.
8.	When you did the 450, It's basically just manual effort of getting in there and bucket the stuff out of there? And it's probably still hard for it to meet paint filter doing that right?
Answer	Previously, when the tanks were cleaned internally by the County, the tanks were drained, then the County put two Skid Steers in the tank and piled it up. When the County cleaned one of the tanks, it was not too difficult meeting the paint filter test, the debris was mainly sand, and grit.
9.	Is there any chance that you would be doing two tanks at the same time? Because that make it a little bit more difficult with two crews.
Answer	The tanks can be cleaned one at a time, when one tank is cleaned, the Vendor can move to the next tank to be cleaned. The County and the Vendor shall coordinate to determine the order of the tanks to be cleaned.
10.	You need the Contractor to remove the diffusers? Or are you guys going to take care of that?
Answer	The County and the Vendor shall coordinate the removal of the diffusers prior to the Vendor cleaning the tanks.
11.	Do you have a definition of what's clean? Do we have to get them down to pressure wash them? Not worried about scaling/scaffolding and all that good kind of stuff? You will provide the water to do that?
Answer	After the tanks have been emptied, and all sludge removed, the tanks shall be hosed down. This will qualify as sufficiently cleaned. The County is not focusing on scaling/scaffolding. The purpose of these tank cleanings is to get all the trash out, washing out the tanks and flushing the debris/residue down. Please see previous addendums for water access availability.
12.	You want everything priced per wet ton, so we'll bill MOB and everything else into the price? It makes it kind of tougher not knowing when you get into 20 ton one, it's kind of tough that way. Any idea what the average might be? What did it take you, three or four weeks to do Fiesta last time?
Answer	All invoices shall be billed using wet tons as the unit of measurement, as listed on the bid schedule. The Fiesta Village tank may need to be cleaned first, and it may be at around 450 tons of sludge that shall need to be removed. The Aeration Basins (AB) are smaller and the County has been cleaning the ABs more frequently, so there should be less sludge to remove. During the last cleaning for the Fiesta Village Tank, it took roughly one week to get sludge/residue moved around and piled up; and several weeks to haul all the sludge out to the landfill doing four loads a day, 100 tons a day.

13.	All of them have plenty of space? Even for a crane, and this good kind of stuff?
Answer	<p>The Fiesta Village facility currently has several active construction projects reducing space available to maneuver a crane for sludge removal. However, space shall be coordinated with the County prior to arrival.</p> <p>The Fort Myers Beach facility may need a bigger crane in order to reach the middle of the tank.</p>

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