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WAKE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

BID ADDENDUM UPDATE

COMMODITY/SERVICE:

BID Number:

251-24-91

JUMBO ROLL TOILET TISSUE (JRT)

ADDENDUM NAME:

ADDENDUM Number:

Q-A 1

QUESTION-ANSWER

BUYER:

Jim Jaeger

RFP DUE DATE/TIME:

JUNE 30, 2023 2:00 pm ET

INSTRUCTIONS: **ANSWERS TO RFQ QUESTION(S)**

This RFP is now in a quiet period.

**No further questions can be answered,
unless directly effecting the bid.**

VENDOR QUESTIONS	WCPSS ANSWERS
<i>Upon review, if there are bid terms and conditions Vendor may not be able to agree to, will the County allow Vendor to include clarifications or exceptions as part of its bid submission?</i>	No, WCPSS Terms & Conditions are not negotiable.
<i>Specifically, if there are insurance requirements that Vendor may not be able to agree to will the County consider exceptions to insurance terms and conditions?</i>	No, WCPSS Terms & Conditions are not negotiable.
<i>Will the resulting contract from this solicitation be federally funded in whole or in part?</i>	No.
<i>Does the County consider electronic signatures to be valid "original" signatures (i.e.: DocuSign)?</i>	Yes, for this RFQ.
<i>Can the County please provide vendors with the most recent bid tabulation for awarded pricing and Unit of Measure for the items in the current bid?</i>	For the past two fiscal years (2022-23, 2021-22) WCPSS has purchased this product from N.C. State Contract #640A. Last contract price paid was: \$32.03 per delivered case. UOM is Case per the specifications at the top of page 3 of the RFQ document. Brame is the state contract vendor for this product.
<i>Will the County provide MFG # for each item?</i>	Manufacturer/Item# is: Von Drehle #2212
<i>Does this bid request come with Brand Names and Manufactures Models Numbers?</i>	This RFQ is being bid to the specifications provided on RFQ Page 3. An acceptable submission must be judged <u>"Equal or Better"</u> to these specifications. Previous usage and past product information is listed at the bottom of the RFQ document Page 2 and the above question-answer.
<i>I am inquiring about the Jumbo toilet tissue bid and I have a few questions. How often do the cases have to be delivered?</i> <i>Do you request the supplies at various intervals throughout the year, example (monthly, quarterly) and projected numbers of supplies provided?</i>	We purchase this product in truckload quantities as needed. In our 2022-23 fiscal year the WCPSS stocking warehouse issued over 13,500 cases of JRT Toilet Tissue. Bidding vendors are required to specify "Full Truckload Quantity" and "Availability ARO" on their RFQ. Based on this provided information, the awarded vendor is provided with purchase orders with an advance delivery target delivery date window. It is very important that the vendor/manufacturer adhere to this requested delivery date(s), as WCPSS cannot be backordered on this product.
<i>As each of these requires two copies and a flash drive by the same due date is it acceptable to return in one package all bid submittals? To that end, may all electronic copies be on a single flash drive?</i>	Yes, all RFQ's can be delivered in one outer shipping package/box, but each RFQ should be in a separate inner sealed package. Outer package/box should list all included bids on the outside of the container and inner individual packages should be marked clearly with each bid number. One flash drive for all is acceptable. Please list all RFQ numbers and vendor name on or attached to the flash drive.

<i>The bids reflect previous bid amounts and quantities for a previous fiscal year. Are the bid(s) awarded to one organization or divided to multiple organizations? I ask to assist in gauging cost of products and shipping of supplies.</i>	Depends on market. We've done award(s) both ways, as WCPSS cannot be backordered on this product.
<i>For bid 251-24-91 regarding the jumbo toilet roll, would you allow a 9" JRT 2 ply to be offered in lieu of a 12" JRT? Most major manufacturers don't make a 12" JRT any longer.</i>	No, submissions must meet specifications
<i>How many cases over 13,500t cases total, will be added ? Page #2</i>	Not sure exact issue amount above 13,500 as final report not available. Looks like FY 2022-23 purchases were: 12,480 cases
<i>Who is the current award contractor? What is the current bid award amount?</i>	For the past two fiscal years (2022-23, 2021-22) WCPSS has purchased this product from N.C. State Contract #640A. Last contract price paid was: \$32.03 per delivered case. UOM is Case per the specifications at the top of page 3 of the RFQ document. Brame is the state contract vendor for this product.
<i>Should or should not be a specification sheet sent? Page #3</i>	Must be included with RFQ submission.