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ADDENDUM

Addendum Number:	03	Dated:	March 21, 2024
Solicitation Number:	802-24-39401		
Solicitation Title:	Design and Manufacture of Inboard Diesel-Powered Research Vessel		
Due Date/Deadline:	NEW: April 18, 2024; 2:00pm CT		
Purchaser:	Christina M. Brown		

PURPOSE OF ADDENDUM: EXTENSION OF BID DUE DATE AND CLARIFICATIONS

Except as provided herein, all terms and conditions of the document referenced herein, remain unchanged and in full force and effect. The following are specifications to this solicitation. This Addendum may be attached to and form a part of the referenced solicitation document and any resulting awarded contract and may be considered in your response.

EXTENSION OF BID DUE DATE/ QUESTIONS DUE DATE/ HUB NOTIFICATION DATE

The Schedule of Events for solicitation 802-24-39401 is being extended as follows:

Questions Due:	April 2, 2024; 2:00 PM CT
HUB Notification Deadline:	April 8, 2024; 2:00 PM CT
<u>Proposal Due Date:</u>	<u>April 18, 2024; 2:00 PM CT</u>

CLARIFICATIONS

QUESTION 1: The specifications provided are very specific and limiting as it pertains to the vessel itself (Not including equipment and accessories). Is the state willing to consider alternative suggestions / exceptions to some of the listed specifications?

ANSWER:

Respondents may submit proposals for vessel with alternate solutions and/or exceptions to specifications. Exceptions shall be clearly identified, and proposal shall include explanation of how vessel will meet needs with designated exceptions. TPWD will review Proposals and determine award based on best value. Final boat design must be approved by TPWD prior to any services being performed.

QUESTION 2: Is the State willing to consider a twin engine, mono-hull aluminum vessel?

ANSWER: TPWD may consider a twin engine, mono-hull aluminum vessel, if exceptions are clearly noted and draft requirements as set forth in specification Item 6.1.3., Subsection C. are met. TPWD will review proposals and determine award based on best value.

QUESTION 3: Are the HUB Subcontracting percentages required or just to be used as a goal? Due to the custom nature of these types of vessels, we use almost no subcontracting and already have specific vendors we work with for OEM components that provide us maximum discounts and lowest pricing. Using new vendors outside of this will significantly drive-up cost.

ANSWER: HUB Goals are not required to be met. Please refer to Exhibit B, Part 1 that sets the HUB Subcontracting goal at 21.1% of the contract value and identifies potential subcontracting. Respondents are not required to subcontract every potential subcontracting opportunity but must give a HUB vendor the opportunity to bid on subcontracting opportunities, or Respondent may self-perform.

TPWD HUB program is available to assist vendors with questions related to the HSP process prior to bid close date. TPWD highly encourages respondents to submit Exhibit B, Part 2 Hub Subcontracting plan for preliminary review by TPWD HUB Administration at HUB@tpwd.texas.gov, prior to submitting your response.

QUESTION 4: Is the State willing to consider a proposal that includes an exception to the Performance Bond requirement?

ANSWER: TPWD is hereby removing Section 19 Payment and Performance Bonds from the requirements of RFP 802-24-39401, and all subsections pertaining to the section are hereby stricken.

Respondents are to acknowledge receipt of this addendum. Return a signed copy of this notice with your proposal submission.

I acknowledge receipt of this addendum.

Respondent's Authorized Signature

Date

Company Name