



ADDENDUM
PURCHASING OFFICE
CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS

INVITATION FOR BID: **NKA0001** ADDENDUM NO. **1** DATE OF ADDENDUM: **December 13, 2013**

This addendum is to incorporate changes to the above referenced solicitation:

I. Questions:

This addendum is to incorporate the following questions and answers to the above-referenced Invitation for Bid. The following questions were posed by one or more Vendors in writing. Each question (Q) is followed by its answer (A).

1. (Q) Is there a particular manufacturer of the traffic signal cable that the city has already approved and been using? Can you provide that information? Some of our top suppliers are not able to match the specs provided so I'm curious to know what cable the city has spec'd in.

(A) The IMSA specified cable as shown on the specification is what we have purchased from several vendors in the past several years. The manufacture is not relevant since several manufactures make the IMSA specified signal cable

2. (Q) Do we have to bid on all seven line items to be considered for an award or will awards be given out per line item?

(A) The bidders need to bid on all line items on the bid request in order to be considered for award.

3. (Q) We have order minimums from our suppliers on a couple of quotes we received. Can we request the city meet those order minimums when orders are placed?

(A) We will not consider minimum order requirements. We will determine the quantities per order based on the needs of the department and our ability to store the amount of cable ordered.

4. (Q) Do you have any historical data on how much Traffic Signal cable the City of Austin uses in a quarter's time?

(A) No we don't track cable use specifically and the use varies based on the number of traffic signal projects being worked on at any given time.

5. (Q) Would you tell me if this bid has a local city preference, or if the preference is for all Texas vendors?

(A) A firm (Offeror or Subcontractor) is considered to have a Local Business Presence if the firm is headquartered in the Austin Corporate City Limits, or has a branch office located in the Austin Corporate City Limits in operation for the last five (5) years. The City defines headquarters as the administrative center where most of the important functions and full responsibility for managing and coordinating the business activities of the firm are located. The City defines branch office as a smaller, remotely located office that is separate from a firm's headquarters that offers the services requested and required under the solicitation.

The City of Austin may award a contract to a bidder other than the lowest responsible bidder if the City receives a competitive sealed bid from a bidder whose principal place of business is in the Austin Corporate City Limits and whose bid is within three percent (3%) of the lowest bid amount.

When evaluating the Local Business Presence of an Offeror/Bidder, the Buyer cannot accept Post Office Boxes as a physical address.

