VENDOR QUESTION & ANSWERS

AGGREGATES IFB

REFERENCE NO. 2018-AGG

Question: How do we know if we are registered, or if we have questions about required registrations/certifications?

Answer: Submit an email to Megan Seitzinger and she can confirm if a potential vendor has the required registrations. Make sure all the attachments are filled out and submitted with the bid.

Question: What is a redacted copy of my bid mean?

Answer: A redacted submittal is utilized if there is any information in the bid packet that a vendor request to be blacked out. The redaction must be placed in a separate packet and labeled “Redacted Copy” and included with the bid submittal. This is not a 100% guarantee that the Department can redact all information included in the redacted packet.

Question: How do I know if my aggregates are certified by IDOT?

Answer: Contact Megan Seitzinger or go to the IDOT website, look for materials certification, aggregate, approved producers list. Also contact the District aggregate technicians and they can assist you with certifications.

Question: Can we bid if we don’t provide all the aggregate types in the IFB?

Answer: Yes, you just need to provide a bid on the pricing sheet for the aggregates you will provide.

Question: Where will the award notice be posted?

Answer: The list of awarded vendors will be posted on the IDOT Transportation Procurement Bulletin.

Question: Will vendors receive an email notice from IDOT for items listed in the Transportation Procurement Bulletin?

Answer: Not at this time. However, vendors awarded a contract under the aggregate solicitation will be posted on the IDOT TPB.

Question: What is the Commodity Number we should use on the pricing sheet?

Answer: According to the IDOT Bureau of Materials, the Commodity Number should be the aggregate certification number IDOT provides through the Aggregate Gradation Control System for the particular aggregate a vendor is bidding.

Question: If a vendor has more than one quarry that are at different locations, and has different prices for the same aggregate at various locations, do we submit a bid for each location?

Answer: Yes. If a vendor has more than one location they can list a price for the aggregates for each quarry location in the pricing sheet.

Question: Can you go over the contract package submittal?

Answer: A vendor does not need to submit the instructions sheet or the list of IDOT yards. The vendor should submit 3 packets.

-Packet 1 should contain the contract beginning on page 19.

-Packet 2 should contain the bid, Section 2, pages 16-18. Attachments AA-HH and JJ should also be included.

-Packet 3 should contain attachment II Exceptions. Any additional materials should also be included in the packet.

If submitting a redacted portion of the bid packet, submit redacted pages in a separate packet labelled “Redacted Copy”.

Question: If I don’t have my board of elections or other registrations done by September 5, 2017 will I be allowed to submit a bid or will IDOT reject the bid?

Answer: The Procurement Rules were recently amended per Senate Bill 8 to allow an agency to accept a submitted bid recognizing that a vendor’s registrations may be in process. If a vendor is awarded a contract under this solicitation, they will need to produce a document registration/certification before contract award or IDOT can check the appropriate website to see if a vendor is registered. Megan Seitzinger will work with any vendor who needs help with certifications and or registrations.

Question: Is the December 23, 2016 Approved/Qualified Producer List of Aggregate Sources the most recent version?

Answer: Yes that is the most recent and contains all approved producers with their producer numbers.

Question: Why is IDOT letting this contract this time?

Answer: The contract is for the use of aggregates for road construction projects performed by IDOT forces. IDOT has the expertise to manage and oversee road construction involving the use of various aggregate materials and therefore is now responsible for the letting of this contract.