

ADDENDUM ONE, QUESTIONS and ANSWERS

Date: December 4, 2017

To: All Bidders

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AS Materiel State Purchasing

RE: Addendum for Request for Proposal Number RFP 5710 Z1
to be opened January 8, 2018, at 2:00 P.M. Central Time

Questions and Answers

Following are the questions submitted and answers provided for the above mentioned Request for Proposal. The questions and answers are to be considered as part of the Request for Proposal. It is the Bidder's responsibility to check the State Purchasing Bureau website for all addenda or amendments.

Question Number	RFP Section Reference	RFP Page Number	Question	State Response
1.	I E Notification of Intent to Bid	2	There is a conflict between E and Form B on page 42. Is it permissible to submit the Notification of Intent to Bid (Form B) via email?	Yes, Form B may be submitted by e-mail to as/materielpurchasing@nebraska.gov .
2.	I E Notification of Intent to Bid	2	By what date will the final list of vendors who submitted a Notification of Intent to Bid be posted on the website?	Per the Schedule of Events, the last day to submit the Notification of Intent to Bid is Friday, December 22, 2017. The State will post the list of vendors on Tuesday, December 26, 2017.
3.	I E Notification of Intent to Bid	2	If a vendor does not submit a "Notification of Intent to Bid Form" but submits a proposal, will the vendor's proposal be evaluated?	Yes, if the vendor does not submit a Notification of Intent to Bid Form and submits a proposal response, the proposal response will be evaluated. The Notification of Intent to Bid Form is optional.
4.	II E Change Orders	9	What does "corrections of any deliverable, service or work" mean?	If the Contractor delivers a defective product which is a requirement of the contract, it is the Contractors responsibility to correct the defect at no additional cost to the State.
5.	II E Change Orders	9	What does "forfeiture of the contract" mean?	If the State changes the contract, the Contractor cannot claim that the State made a change and as a result, the contractor stops performing under the contract.

6.	III F Ownership of Information and Data/Deliverables	17	Will the “deliverables” be defined?	See section V. U. Deliverables. The deliverables will be defined in the contract by a combination of the RFP requirements and the response to the RFP.
7.	V C 11 Hemoglobinopathies	25	Please clarify the sequencing preferred comment. Will sequencing be considered 3 rd tier after IEF and point mutation by the State? On which IEF results does the State want sequencing performed?	Sequencing would be required as a 3 rd tier test upon request (and is not required routinely) for clarification of suspected alpha-globin or unidentified variants. As such cost to provide this service is not expected in the cost proposal for routine screening. Bidders who can offer this as part of the routine screening should state in the proposal response.
8.	VII A Cost Proposal Requirements	40	The first 2 paragraphs contain different information. Please describe the difference in the infant screened fee and why the first paragraph does not have the phrase “if they are adopted via regulation”.	Since the publication of this RFP it has been determined that Pompe, MPS-I and X-ALD will be implemented July 1, 2018 due to statutory requirement, regardless of whether regulation revisions are made or not. So the phrase “if they are adopted via regulation” is no longer applicable to the three diseases. The difference between the pricing summary in the first paragraph is the \$10 fee, vs. the 2 nd paragraph the \$20 fee. The \$20 fee will only go into effect if regulations are revised.
9.	General question	5710 Z1	Is Nebraska open to a different model to provide this service, one that would modify many of the requirements of the RFP? [REDACTED] would consider a lab to lab model where Nebraska would be responsible for distributing the cards, collecting them from each hospital, entering and monitoring demographics, etc. Nebraska would send the card to [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] would send Nebraska back results, and Nebraska would be responsible for distribution to each hospital.	No. All proposals must follow the requirements of the RFP.
10.	General Question	5710 Z1	Please confirm the RFP due date. Is it 12/22 or	The optional Form B, Notification of Intent to Bid Form is due on December

			1/8?	22, 2017. The Proposal opening is January 8, 2018 at 2:00 PM Central Time. If submitting a proposal response, the State must receive the proposal response before January 8, 2018 at 2:00 PM Central Time.
11.	PROCUREMENT PROCEDURE Section F	5710 Z1 2	Please verify that a bidder has the right to not extend if the State does not agree to the discussed pricing increases.	Please see Section II. Terms and Conditions, R. Early Termination.
12.	PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND SCOPE OF WORK Section A	5710 Z1 23	Can you please clarify the requirements of this provision: The contractor will provide the NNSP with access to an electronic database fulfilling all requirements of this RFP. (A Project overview).	The electronic database must fulfill all requirements in section V.G. Data Systems Requirements, including the documentation requirements in V.F. Reporting and V.H. Data System Future Enhancement.
13.	PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND SCOPE OF WORK Section D	5710 Z1 27	What are the requirements for tracking under this provision: The laboratory must document tracking of which filter paper specimen collection devices were provided to which birthing hospital/facility and communicate this information to the NNSP as requested. (D. Filter paper).	Maintain a record of which filter papers (by serial number) were distributed to which birthing facility.
14.	PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND SCOPE OF WORK Section D	5710 Z1 27	Can contractor require site pay for filter paper card upfront? Provision: The contractor will distribute supplies of the filter paper collection devices to all Nebraska birthing facility submitters. (D. Filter paper).	No. The RFP only allows charges to submitters on a per-infant-screened basis, not per-filter paper submitted or distributed. See V.D. Filter Paper paragraph 1. All costs to provide the services described in this RFP should be considered when determining the per-infant screened cost proposal.
15.	PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND SCOPE OF WORK Section J	5710 Z1 39	Can contractor take over current courier and delivery network? Is that network and operation functioning? Question assumes current provider is subcontracting this work (J. Subcontractors).	It is the contractor's responsibility to establish an effective courier and delivery network. See Section V.E. Specimen Shipping. The bidder should provide a response that best meets the requirements of this RFP.

This addendum will become part of the proposal and should be acknowledged with the Request for Proposal.