



Request for Bids for 5-Gallon Pails

RFB 11-1800

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Notice is hereby given that bids for RFB 11-1800 for 5-Gallon Pails shall be received by Metro, 600 NE Grand Avenue, Portland OR 97232 until 3:00 PM on January 18, 2011. It is the sole responsibility of the bidder to ensure that Metro receives the Bid by the specified date and time. All late Bids shall be rejected. Bidders shall review all instructions and contract terms and condition

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Metro is requesting bids for 5-gallon pails for the Latex Paint Recycling Program. Sealed bids are due to be received (postmarks not accepted) no later than 3:00 p.m. on January 18, 2011 at 600 N.E. Grand Avenue, Portland, OR 97217, Attention: Karen Slusarenko, RFB 11-1800. Bids will be publicly opened at 3:00 PM. and read at that time in room 274.

The contract contemplated consists of supplying approximately 40,000 5-gallon pails. The pails shall be pre-labeled with lithograph or heat set printing. Price adjustments shall be considered based on approved resin commodity indexes. Refer to Attachment 1- Scope of Work for details. Bidders' please note the section on Recycled Products as Bid Items in the Instructions to Bidders, as Metro intends to give a 10% bid preference to pails with at least 20% recycled content.

The term of the contract is anticipated to be January 15, 2011 through January 14, 2013 with up to three one year extensions at Metro's discretion.

All bids must be submitted in sealed envelopes which clearly identify the item(s) as stated in the RFB. Bidding documents, (including plans and specifications depicting the work) may be viewed on Metro's website at <http://www.oregonmetro.gov> under "Doing Business".

All bids must conform to the INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS and be complete including the use of any required forms. Metro may accept or reject any or all bids, in whole or in part, or waive irregularities not affecting substantial rights if such action is deemed in the public interest.

Metro and its contractors will not discriminate against any person(s), employee or applicant for employment based on race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, marital status, familial status, gender identity, sexual orientation, disability for which a reasonable accommodation can be made, or any other status protected by law. Metro fully complies with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and related statutes and regulations in all programs and activities. For more information, or to obtain a Title VI Complaint Form, see www.oregonmetro.gov.

Metro extends equal opportunity to all persons and specifically encourages minority and women-owned businesses to access and participate in this and all Metro projects, programs and services.

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INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

BID

Metro is soliciting Bids for RFB 11-1800 for 5-gallon pails. Bids must be enclosed in a sealed envelope and mailed or delivered to the Procurement Services, 600 NE Grand, Portland, Oregon 97232-2736, Attention: Karen Slusarenko, no later than 3:00 PM, January 18, 2011, and will be publicly opened and read at that time in the room 274. A formal bid may not be submitted by Facsimile (FAX) transmittal.

The outside of the envelope shall plainly identify the subject of the Bid, the opening date, and the Bid number.

All bids must be clearly and distinctly typed or written with ink or indelible pencil. All blank spaces must be completed. No erasures are permitted. Mistakes must be crossed out and corrections typewritten or written in ink adjacent thereto, and initialed in ink by the party signing the Bid, or his authorized representative.

Written amounts shall be shown in both words and figures. Words shall govern in cases of discrepancy between the amounts stated in words and the amounts stated in figures.

All bids must be on the forms furnished by Metro or they may be rejected by Metro.

COST OF BID

This invitation to Bid does not commit Metro to pay any costs incurred by any Bidder in the submission of a bid, or in making necessary studies or designs for the preparation thereof, or for procuring or contracting for the items to be furnished under the invitation to bid.

ERRORS / OMISSIONS

Any Bid may be deemed non-responsive by the Procurement Officer if it is: Not on the Bid forms provided; contains errors or omissions, erasures, alterations, or additions of any kind; proposes prices which are unsolicited or obviously unbalanced; or not in complete conformance with any and all conditions of the bidding documents.

ADDENDA TO PLANS OR SPECIFICATIONS

Requests for additional information or interpretation of the contract documents shall be delivered to the Procurement Analyst, in writing, at least five (5) business days prior to the Bid opening date and time. If, in the opinion of the Project Manager, additional information or interpretation is needed by the Bidders, an addendum will be issued to all known specification holders. The provisions of any written addenda issued by the Procurement Officer or Project Manager at least seventy two (72) hours prior to the Bid opening date and time shall be binding upon the Bidders, and failure of a Bidder to obtain such addenda shall not excuse compliance therewith by the successful bidder.

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MODIFICATION OF BID

An offer to modify the bid which is received from the successful Bidder after award of contract which makes the terms of the Bid more favorable or advantageous to Metro will be considered, and may thereafter be accepted. To be effective, every modification must be made in writing over the signature of the Bidder.

WITHDRAWAL OF BIDS

A Bidder may withdraw its bid by written request which are received prior to the scheduled closing time for filing Bids. Negligence on the part of the Bidder in preparing his or her bid confers no right to withdraw the bid after the scheduled closing time for filing Bids.

LATE BID

Bids received after the scheduled closing time for filing Bids will be returned to the Bidder unopened, unless such closing time is extended by Metro.

EXECUTION

Each Bid shall give the Bidder's full business address and bear its legal signature.

Bids by partnerships must list the full name of all partners and be signed by a partner or agent authorized to execute the contract on behalf of the partnership and identified by printed name and title.

Bids by corporations must bear the legal name of the corporation, the name of the state of incorporation, and the signature of the officer or agent authorized to legally bind the corporation.

Upon request by Metro, satisfactory evidence of the authority of the partner or officer shall be furnished.

If an agent who is not an officer of the corporation or a member of the partnership signs the Bid, a notarized Power of Attorney must be on file with Metro prior to the opening of Bids or be submitted with the Bid. Without such notice of authority, the Bid shall be considered improperly executed, defective and therefore nonresponsive.

A Bid submitted by a joint venture must include a certified copy of the terms and conditions of the agreement creating the joint venture.

EXAMINATION OF PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS, AND SITE OF WORK

It is understood that the Bidder, before submitting a Bid, has made a careful examination of the plans, specifications, and contract; that it has fully informed itself as to the quality and quantity of materials and the character of the work required; and that it has made a careful examination of the location and condition of the work and the sources of supply for materials.

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COMPLIANCE

Each Bidder shall inform itself of, and the Bidder awarded a contract shall comply with, federal, state, and local laws, statutes, and ordinances relative to the execution of the work. This requirement includes, but is not limited to, nondiscrimination in the employment of labor, protection of public and employee safety and health, environmental protection, waste reduction and recycling, the protection of natural resources, fire protection, burning and non-burning requirements, permits, fees and similar subjects.

PERMITS AND LICENSES

Each Bidder shall obtain and include in his Bid the cost for all permits and licenses which may be required to perform the contract.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

A Bidder filing a bid thereby certifies that no officer, agent, or employee of Metro or Metro has a pecuniary interest in this Bid or has participated in contract negotiations on behalf of Metro; that the bid is made in good faith without fraud, collusion, or connection of any kind with any other Bidder for the same call for Bids; the Bidder is competing solely in its own behalf without connection with, or obligation to, any undisclosed person or firm.

IMMATERIAL VARIANCES

Metro reserves the right to determine whether equipment or materials that comply substantially in quality and performance with the specifications are acceptable to Metro, and whether any variance listed by the Bidder in a bid is material or immaterial.

LATEST MODEL

Parts and materials must be new, of latest model, of current date, and meet specifications. This provision excludes all surplus, remanufactured, and used products, unless such material is proposed in lieu of items specified.

"OR APPROVED EQUAL" CLAUSE

In order to establish a basis of quality, certain processes, types of machinery and equipment, or kinds of materials may be specified, either by description of process or by designating a manufacturer by name and referring to his brand or product designation, or by specifying a kind of material. It is not the intent of these specifications to exclude other processes, equipment, or materials of equal value, utility or merit.

Whenever a process is designated or a manufacturer's name, brand, or product is described, it shall be understood that the words, "or approved equal" follow such name, designation, or description, whether in fact they do so or not.

If a Bidder proposes to furnish an item, process or material which it claims to be of equal utility to the one designated, then:

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1. Bidder shall submit to Metro, in care of the Project Manager, a written statement describing it together with supporting data and details sufficient to permit Metro to evaluate the same, five (5) work days prior to the Bid opening date and time.

If the product contains chemical properties, the relevant Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) shall be included to document all health and physical hazards, chemical ingredients, exposure limits, personal protective equipment for handling and use, and emergency procedures in response to unanticipated spills or environmental release.

2. Metro may require demonstration, additional tests, and additional data, all to be supplied at the expense of the Bidder.
3. If Metro determines that the proposed item, material or process is of equal value, utility or merit, the Project Manager shall notify all potential Bidders of record by issuance of an addendum at least seventy two (72) hours prior to the Bid opening date and time.
4. Metro may in its sole discretion determine if an item submitted as an alternate or approved equal is "equal" or "equivalent".

RECYCLABLE PRODUCTS

Vendors shall use recyclable products to the maximum extent economically feasible in the performance of the work set forth in this contract document.

RECYCLED PRODUCTS AS BID ITEMS

Oregon Law (ORS 279A.125) requires Metro and all public agencies to give preference to materials and supplies manufactured from recycled materials.

All Bidders are therefore required to specify the exact or minimum percentage of recycled paper and fiber type in all paper products or recycled content in all other products offered, plus both the post-consumer and secondary waste content of the products offered.

Only Bids submitted with such information shall receive preference consideration and post Bid declaration or discovery shall not be allowed.

Definitions of "recycled product," "post-consumer" and "secondary" waste material and other explanatory notes are available from the Metro Procurement Services Division.

QUANTITIES

Metro makes no guarantees as to the exact quantities to be purchased. The figures provided are intended merely as guides and Bidders are warned not to construe them as a guarantee to purchase any amount.

Payment will be made only for quantities actually ordered, delivered, and accepted whether greater or less than the stated amounts.

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TERMS

A Bid may be rejected if it requires payment in less than thirty (30) calendar days after invoice date or if it requires payment, in whole or in part, less than fifteen (15) days after invoice approval prior to delivery.

PRICES

All prices submitted shall be firm during the contract period. If unit prices are requested, they should be provided for each unit on which there is a Bid. In case of mistake in extension of price, unit prices shall govern. All prices shall be F.O.B. the destination designated by Metro.

WARRANTY / GUARANTY

Each Bid for the furnishing of materials and equipment shall provide an explanation of both the Bidder's and manufacturer's warranties on materials and workmanship.

Every Bid shall indicate any warranty costs to Metro, including but not limited to, all parts, labor, and shipping costs required for compliance with any specific requirement(s) contained in the special conditions.

SERVICE

Each Bidder shall furnish detailed information on any service facilities, locations, and procedures as well as information on any maintenance agreements or contracts available to Metro.

DELIVERY

Each Bidder shall provide a delivery schedule for each item offered. The successful Bidder shall notify Metro, in writing, within five (5) business days of order if delivery cannot be completed as proposed and required.

Upon receipt of such notice from the successful Bidder, Metro reserves the right to cancel the order and make the purchase from the second lowest, responsible Bidder.

If Metro does not elect to cancel the contract initially, subsequent failure to meet the then current delivery requirement does not foreclose Metro's option for later cancellation.

BID SECURITY

All Bids in excess of \$50,000 must be accompanied by a bid security in the form of a cashier's check, certified check, irrevocable letter of credit, or a bid bond issued by a surety authorized to conduct such business in the state of Oregon. Security shall be in the amount of 5% of the total bid price. The bid security shall serve as a guarantee that the bidder will not withdraw the bid for a period of sixty (60) days after bid opening, and if awarded the contract, will execute the Metro contract and furnish all required bonds and insurance with the time frame specified.

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The Attorney-in-Fact who executes any bond on behalf of the surety must attach a notarized copy of his or her Power of Attorney as evidence of authority to bind the surety on the date of bond execution.

Bid securities will be held until the Contract has been finally executed, after which all Bid securities, other than those which have been forfeited, will be returned to the respective Bidders whose Bid they accompanied.

RESIDENT / NON-RESIDENT BIDDER

Oregon law requires Metro, in determining the lowest responsive Bidder, to add a percent increase on the Bid of a non-resident Bidder equal to the percent, if any, of the preference given to that Bidder in the state in which that Bidder resides. Therefore, each Bidder must indicate whether it is a resident or non-resident Bidder. A resident Bidder is a Bidder that has paid unemployment taxes or income taxes in the state of Oregon during the last twelve (12) months immediately preceding submission of this Bid, has a business address in Oregon, and has stated in its Bid that it is a "resident Bidder."

EXPERIENCE AND ABILITY TO PERFORM THE WORK

Upon request, Bidders must present all necessary information indicating that the Bidder has met the standards of responsibility set forth in ORS 279B.110. Metro will make the final determination as to whether or not the Bidder is qualified to perform the work.

BASIS OF AWARD

The award shall be made to the responsible Bidder submitting the lowest responsive bid. Any determination of bidder's responsibility or responsiveness are subject to review and determination by the Office of the Metro Attorney as to legal sufficiency. Metro reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids in whole or in part and to waive any irregularities in the best interest of Metro.

GENERAL CONDITIONS

NOTICE OF AWARD

Within 20 calendar days after the opening of Bids, Metro will accept one of the Bids, or combination of Bids, or reject all Bids in accordance with the Basis of Award. The acceptance of the Bid will be by written Notice of Award, mailed or delivered to the office designated in the Bid. The Notice of Award shall not entitle the party to whom it is delivered to any rights whatsoever.

APPEAL OF CONTRACT AWARD

Aggrieved proposers who wish to appeal the award of this contract must do so in writing within seven (7) days of issuance of the notice of intent to award by Metro. Appeals must be submitted to Darin Matthews, Procurement Manager, 600 NE Grand Avenue, Portland, OR 97232 and must state the specific deviation of rule or statute in the contract award. Metro will issue a written response to the appeal in a timely manner.

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CONTRACT

Within 10 business days of receipt of the contract from Metro, the Successful Bidder shall sign and deliver the Contract to Metro.

FOREIGN CONTRACTOR

A Contractor that is not domiciled in or registered to do business in the State of Oregon shall, upon execution of a contract in excess of \$10,000, promptly report the total contract price, terms of payment, length of contract and all other required information to the Oregon Department of Revenue. Compliance shall be documented and Metro shall be fully satisfied as to complete compliance prior to release of final payment.

INSURANCE

The Contractor shall purchase and maintain at his expense the following types of insurance covering the Contractor, and his employees and agents.

1. Broad form comprehensive general liability insurance covering bodily injury, property damage, and personal injury with automatic coverage for premises and operations and product liability. The policy must be endorsed with contractual liability coverage.
2. Automobile bodily injury and property damage liability insurance.

Insurance coverage shall be a minimum of \$1,000,000 per occurrence.

Metro, its councilors, department, employees, and agents shall be named as an ADDITIONAL INSURED. Notice of any material change or policy cancellation shall be provided to Metro thirty (30) days prior to the change.

The Contractor shall comply with ORS 656.017 for all employees who work in the state of Oregon for more than 10 days. The Contractor shall provide Metro with certification of workers' compensation insurance including employer's liability.

WORKERS' COMPENSATION

The Contractor, and all subsequent subcontractors and suppliers performing work pursuant to this contract shall provide Workers' Compensation benefits as required by and in accordance with all applicable state and federal laws.

NOTICE OF ASSIGNMENT

Metro will not recognize any assignment or transfer of any interest in this contract without written approval of the Procurement Officer.

HAZARD COMMUNICATION

The Contractor shall be required to strictly adhere to, coordinate with Metro and document full compliance with the policies and procedures of the Oregon Administrative Rules, Oregon

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Occupational Safety and Health Division, OAR 437-002, Subdivision Z-Toxic and Hazardous Substances (1910,1200 Hazard Communication).

Therefore, the Contractor and all subcontractors and suppliers within his control shall notify Metro and all parties to the agreement as to:

- Hazardous materials to which they may be exposed on site;
- Employee measures to lessen the possibility of exposure;
- All contractor measures to reduce the risk;
- Procedures to follow if exposed.

The Contractor shall provide Metro with all Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) prior to delivery or introduction of the material on site.

For further information or clarification, contact the Metro Risk Management Division at (503) 797-1622.

DELIVERY TIMES

The Contractor shall deliver on business days between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Unloading must be completed by 5:00 p.m. unless approved in advance by Metro. Requests for such approval must be received by Metro at least three (3) days prior to delivery. Contractor shall assume all risk of deliveries made during hours beyond those listed above.

FAILURE TO PERFORM

Should the Contractor fail to meet the agreed upon delivery schedule, thereby making it necessary for Metro to purchase urgently-needed items from another source, the low Bidder shall pay the difference between the accepted low Bid price and the purchase price or accept an offset against any monies then owed by Metro.

PATENTS

The Contractor agrees to protect, to defend (if Metro requests) and save the agency harmless against any demand for payment for wrongful or unauthorized use of any patented material, process, article, or device that may enter into manufacture, construction, or forms a part of the work covered by this contract.

INVOICES

Invoices shall be prepared and submitted unless otherwise specified. Invoices shall contain the following information: Contract or Purchase Order number (if any), item numbers, description of supplies or services, sizes, quantities, unit prices and extended totals. Invoice should also state name of the unit or department to which the merchandise was shipped or delivered.

LAW OF STATE OF OREGON

This contract is entered into within the state of Oregon, and the law of said State, whether substantive or procedural, shall apply and be followed with respect to this contract.

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SPECIAL CONDITIONS

MINORITY, WOMEN AND EMERGING SMALL BUSINESS PROGRAM

In the event that any subcontracts are to be utilized in the performance of this agreement, the Bidder's attention is directed to Metro Code provisions 2.04.100, which encourages the use of minority, women, and emerging small businesses (MWESB) to the maximum extent practical. Copies of these MWESB requirements are available from the Metro Procurement Office, 600 NE Grand Avenue, Portland, OR 97232, (503) 797-1816.

NOTICE TO ALL BIDDERS

The public contract included herein is a standard agreement approved for use by Metro's General Counsel. This is the contract the successful bidder will enter into with Metro; it is included for your review prior to submitting a bid.