

Request for Information No. 1

Bid No. 24/25-01NS, Kitchen Products & Supplies

April 15, 2024

Response to Contractors' Questions

- 1.1 Question: *"On page 11, #18. Substitutions. Please clarify what this means. If we want to bid an alternate item, of equal quality, and the same spec., is that considered a "substitution", and do we need to request approval for that item in advance as a "substitution"? Also, the next item #19., Samples., states that for any "of equal" items we want to bid, we need to submit 3 samples by April 30. So, do we need to request permission to "substitute" an item, and then also submit "of equal" samples? It would seem like one or the other, but not both, of these would be sufficient."*

Answer: If a bidder plans to submit an "or equal"/substitution/alternate product, bidder must submit an RFI and samples as per sections 18 and 19 in the Information for Bidders.

- 1.2 Question: *"Can you also send me the Pricing Sheet in excel?"*

Answer: There is not an excel version available.