Fuel (Gasoline and Diesel)

Response to RFI/Questions October 7, 2013

Q1. Will the District be holding a pre-bid meeting? If yes, please provide the date, time and address.

A. There will not be a pre-bid meeting.

Q2. What are the Districts payment terms and method?

A. The District payment term is Net 30 days; payment is issued to vendors by check.

Q3. It appears that the bidding documents are very similar to the Orange County School District bid. Why didn't IUSD cooperatively join the OC bid?

A. My department was not aware of the Orange County School District Co-op fuel bid.

Q4. Who has the contract now?

A. Currently there is no vendor under contract for fuel for Irvine Unified School District.

Q5. What is the current contractor's OPIS pricing formula and freight for each product and delivered quantity breakdown?

A. The District does not have a current contractor for fuel.

Q6. Can you provide the bid tabulation for the last award?

A. There is no prior bid for fuel; bid tabulation is not available.

Q7. Do you have a list of bidders who also received this bid?

A. Yes, there is a list of bidders who received this bid. See response to question 24.

Q8. Is a site visit a requirement for bidding this opportunity? If so, with whom do we contact to schedule this?

A. Site visit is not a requirement for bidding this opportunity.

Q9. Are common carriers used to haul and deliver the fuel considered subcontractors?

A. Yes; the Designation of Subcontractors Form must be completed and returned at the time of the bid opening. If the form is not returned at the time of the bid opening, the bidder will be declared as Nonresponsive.

Q10. You mentioned that deliveries of 5000 or less require metered tickets, but many bobtail trucks equipped with meters cannot carry more than 4000 gallons? Would metered tickets for deliveries 4000 gallons or less be acceptable?

A. Yes this will be acceptable.

Q11. Industry standard does not have truck and trailer bulk delivery trucks equipped with meters. Are BOL's from the loading rack acceptable rather than metered tickets for deliveries over 4000 gallons? Net gallons would be invoiced.

A. Yes this will be acceptable.

Q12. Regarding the Criminal Records Check; Will delivery personnel ever be in contact with pupils at the Transportation Department Facility? Is the fingerprinting, etc. applicable to this contract?

A. Delivery personnel will never be in contact with pupils at the Transportation Department Facility. Fingerprinting will not be required but the Certification by Supplier Criminal Records Check will be required to be submitted by successful bidder after the award (page 44). See Amendment 1 for the revised Table of Contents and requirements.

Q13. What are your standard payment terms? Can you do better than Net 30?

A. The District's standard payment term is Net 30 days. No, these are the District's terms.

Q14. Will you accept up to 5% bio diesel in your diesel fuel?

A. The District will not accept up to 5% bio diesel in our diesel fuel.

Q15. What is the average load size you will be ordering?

A. The average load size will be 7,800 gallons Unleaded or Diesel.

Q16. Do you ever split gas and diesel on the same truck?

A. The District does not split gas and diesel on the same truck.

Q17. Are we able to fit a semi truck for the delivery or do you require a smaller Tankwagon truck?

A. Yes, a truck and trailer or a set of duels will fit in the yard.

Q18. Could you verify your annual usage for gasoline? Page 27 states 354,250 gallons and page 28 states 128,475 gallons.

A. The correct annual usage is 128,475. See Amendment 1, revised page 27.

Q19. When will the low bid be announced or bid tabulations available?

A. The Intent to Award will be posted on October 17, 2013.

Q20. We sent an information request on 10/1, do you know when we will receive the information requested?

A. The District has 10 calendar days to respond. A response will be issued within the 10 calendar days from 10/1/2013.

Q21. Can you verify the Protest Deadline? The table says the deadline is Oct. 23, 2013 and section 25 says must be submitted with (5) calendar days of the intent to award, which would be Oct. 22, 2013.

A. The correct Protest Deadline date is October 22, 2013. Please see Amendment 1 with the revised Calendar of Event dates.

Q22. Will you accept a firm price bid? If so, would you accept our clauses? Clauses attached, please indicate which clauses would be acceptable and which clauses would be cause for rejection.

A. I did not receive an attachment with clauses as indicated. The District will not accept any clauses/ conditions from bidders.

Q23. Will split the award by each product are the entire bid to one vendor?

A. The DISTRICT intend to award to the responsible bidder submitting the lowest responsive bid. The DISTRICT reserves the right to award one contract for both gasoline and diesel fuel; or two separate contracts, one for gasoline and one for diesel fuel. The DISTRICT reserves the right to reject any or all bids, or to waive any irregularities in the bids or in the bidding process.

Q24. Is there a list of vendors that were sent this bid that we could receive?

A. Vendors that received a copy of the bid or has inquired about information regarding this bid include the following:

- SC Fuels
- Nicky Petroleum Co.
- IPC Fuel Distribution
- Petroleum Traders Corporation
- Pinnacle Petroleum

Q25. Is visitation to the sites mandatory? If so, can we have one of our carriers complete it on our behalf?

A. Visitation to the sites is not mandatory; there is no site walk scheduled.