



**ADDENDUM #1
Housing and Human Services
Environmental Testing for Boulder County Housing Authority (BCHA) Properties
SOQ # 7157-20**

July 9, 2020

The attached addendum supersedes the original Information and Specifications regarding SOQ # 7157-20 where it adds to, deletes from, clarifies or otherwise modifies. All other conditions and any previous addendums shall remain unchanged.

Please note: Due to COVID-19, BIDS will only be accepted electronically by emailing purchasing@bouldercounty.org.

1. Question: Who are the current incumbent contractors for the BCHA Environmental Testing Contract?

ANSWER: Quality Environmental Services, Foothills Environmental, Inc, and Weecycle Environmental Consulting

2. Question: How many awards does the BCHA contemplate making for this contract?

ANSWER: Awards vary on submittals and qualified vendors, we have previously awarded two-three companies.

3. Question: Presuming multiple awards will be made, how will projects be assigned to contracted consultants? For example, do you envision price competitive bids being sought from the pre-qualified vendors for a specific project?

ANSWER: In order to promote fair and open competition and to obtain the best value for the county, all pre-qualified contractors who hold a Continuing Services Contract with the county shall be given the

opportunity to informally quote and compete against each other for work in the amount of \$10,000 or more as it arises. For work under \$10,000, a prequalified contractor will be selected based on availability and pricing.

4. Question: If a consulting firm currently does not have a certification as a methamphetamine assessment consultant, can it submit qualifications to work on other elements of the BCHA scope of work (e.g. mold, asbestos, lead-based paint)?

ANSWER: Vendors should specify what type of services they are qualified for and experienced with providing. Vendors do not need to be able to provide all the services listed.

5. Question: The SOQ states that “Additional Insured” parties includes several LLCs, in addition to the County of Boulder. Who are the additional insureds and what is the rationale for including them, as a contract would assumedly be with Boulder? Does a COI with all the additional insureds listed, need to be submitted with the SOQ response, or just a sample certificate?

ANSWER: Boulder County Housing Authority serves as the property manager for the properties owned by the LLCs listed in “Additional Insured”. A sample certificate may be submitted with the SOQ response. Awarded contractors will need to provide a COI with all the additional insureds during the contracting process.

6. Question: Regarding asbestos-related tasks, would asbestos inspections be required for pre-demolition of buildings, tenant improvements, or some other type of inspection?

ANSWER: Asbestos inspections are required for all the above-mentioned activities.

7. Question: Are the housing units vacant or occupied?

ANSWER: Generally, units are vacant, but in some instances, there are still tenants in the units.

8. Question: Typically for asbestos sampling tasks, repair of asbestos sample locations is not conducted. Are sample location repairs required?

ANSWER: It would be repaired by qualified vendors contracted by BCHA.

9. Question: Once pre-qualified, we understand that proposals for required services will be requested on an as-needed basis. Would award of those tasks be on a cost-only basis?

ANSWER: Awards would be based on price, qualifications and availability.

10. Question: Approximately how many contractors will be selected?

ANSWER: See question and answer #2

11. Question: Approximately when would BCHA announce successful contractors?

ANSWER: Contractors are announced once the panel has reviewed the submittals.

12. Question: Our contracts with Boulder County since 2015 have included our certificate of insurance that does not include an umbrella policy however, have been renewed annually. As a professional service of \$2,000,000.00 E&O has always been double that required and has been an acceptable submittal to the County. Is the County open to waiving the umbrella requirement for this requested SOQ?

ANSWER: The Umbrella Liability is over the General Liability and Automobile Liability policies. If both of these policies have increased limits (\$2,000,000/occurrence, \$4,000,000 aggregate on the General Liability, and \$2,000,000 on the Auto), we can accept the higher limits in the absence of an umbrella policy.

Submittal Instructions:

Submittals are due at the email box only, listed below, for time and date recording on or before **2:00 p.m. Mountain Time on July 17, 2020.**

Please note that email responses are limited to a maximum of 50MB capacity. NO ZIP FILES ALLOWED. Electronic Submittals must be received in the email box listed below. Submittals sent to any other box will NOT be forwarded or accepted. This email box is only accessed on the due date of your questions or proposals. Please use the Delivery Receipt option to verify receipt of your email. It is the sole responsibility of the proposer to ensure their documents are received before the deadline specified above. Boulder County does not accept responsibility under any circumstance for delayed or failed email or mailed submittals.

Email purchasing@bouldercounty.org; identified as **SOQ # 7157-20** in the subject line.

All proposals must be received and time and date recorded at the purchasing email by the above due date and time. Sole responsibility rests with the Offeror to see that their proposal is received on time at the stated location(s). Any proposal received after due date and time will be returned to the bidder. No exceptions will be made.

The Board of County Commissioners reserve the right to reject any and all proposals, to waive any informalities or irregularities therein, and to accept the proposal that, in the opinion of the Board, is in the best interest of the Board and of the County of Boulder, State of Colorado.



**RECEIPT OF LETTER
ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

July 9, 2020

Dear Vendor:

This is an acknowledgment of receipt of Addendum #1 for SOQ #7157-20, Environmental Testing for Boulder County Housing Authority (BCHA) Properties.

In an effort to keep you informed, we would appreciate your acknowledgment of receipt of the preceding addendum. Please sign this acknowledgment and email it back to purchasing@bouldercounty.org as soon as possible. If you have any questions, or problems with transmittal, please call us at 303-441-3525. This is also an acknowledgement that the vendor understands that due to COVID-19, **BIDS will only be accepted electronically by emailing purchasing@bouldercounty.org.**

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. This information is time and date sensitive; an immediate response is requested.

Sincerely,

Boulder County Purchasing

Signed by: _____ **Date:** _____

Name of Company _____

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