



CITY OF TAMPA, FLORIDA
c/o Contract Administration Department
306 E. Jackson Street # 280A4N
Tampa, FL 33602

Rev. 5

RFQ – Contract 10-C-00020

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT IN COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS OF CHAPTER 287.055, LAWS OF FLORIDA, CONSULTANTS COMPETITIVE NEGOTIATION ACT, AS AMENDED AND THE CITY OF TAMPA'S EQUAL BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY PROGRAM

RFQ 10-C-00020 - The City of Tampa desires to select a firm to **Design-Build**, own, maintain, and **Operate** a new **Biosolids Management Facility** at the Howard F. Curren Advanced Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Services will be provided under multi-year contracts that include but may not be limited to design, permitting, construction, financing, operation, maintenance, treatment and disposition of biosolids and other residuals, compliance with environmental and other regulations, management, safety, contingency plans, energy co-generation, and all related work required for a complete project in conformance with the Design Criteria.

Background: The City of Tampa Wastewater Department owns, operates and maintains the Howard F. Curren Advanced Wastewater Treatment Plant (HFC AWTP) located on the Port of Tampa at 2700 Maritime Boulevard in Tampa, Florida.

The HFC AWTP is currently permitted as a 96.0 million gallon per day (MGD) annual average daily flow (AADF) Type I two-stage, high rate (pure oxygen and fine bubble aeration) activated sludge biological nitrification/denitrification domestic wastewater treatment plant.

The selected firm must demonstrate the ability to provide all of the services anticipated under the contract. The firm must have an equivalent system currently in operation in the USA.

The proposed system must be capable of treating and disposing of all of the biosolids produced at the HFC AWTP on a daily basis (approximately 400,000 gallons per day at approximately 1.8% solids).

Desirable system features include: generation of thermal energy for use in heating the anaerobic digesters or conversion into electricity; redundancy for continuation of disposal during maintenance, equipment failure or emergencies; expandability to accommodate increased flow rates or changes in composition of influent; adaptability to accept anaerobic gas as supplemental fuel; adaptability to accept wood waste as well as fats, oils, and greases.

The fees charged to the Department may be based upon the volume of sludge disposed of each month and the total number of kilowatt hours of energy purchased (if applicable).

Upon the completion of the contract period, ownership of the proposed facilities shall be conveyed to the City at no cost. The City will coordinate with the successful firm to lease property available at the HFC AWTP for the new facilities.

A Pre-Submission Conference will be conducted at 3 PM Tuesday December, 8, 2009 in the 4th floor conference room, 306 E Jackson St. Tampa FL 33602. Attendance is not mandatory, but is recommended.

To visit the Treatment Plant, please call Tim Ware for an appointment at 813-247-3451 and then fax copy of driver's license a minimum of 24 hours in advance to Richard Birchmire at (813)242-5312 to obtain security clearance.

Design Criteria and supplemental information, will be posted at http://www.tampagov.net/dept_contract_administration/programs_and_services/architectural_engineering_construction_and_related_rfqs/. No further data will be available before the deadline established for the submission of Letters-of-Interest.

Questions may be directed to Jim Greiner, P.E., Contract Administration Department, City of Tampa, 4th Floor North, 306 E. Jackson Street, Tampa, Florida 33602; Telephone (813) 274-8598, fax (813) 274-8080, or e-mail Jim.Greiner@tampagov.net.

Firms desiring to provide these services to the City must submit a Letter of Interest referring to this RFQ, Statement of Qualifications, AIA® Form A305 or an equivalent, and any supplemental material allowing evaluation of further consideration (short-listing) based upon the following criteria/point system: Comparable Project Experience, (30); Design-Build-Operate Project Experience, (10); Experience Providing Systems with Desired features and Capacities, (15); Financial Capacity and Funding Exp., (20); Environmental Compliance Exp., (5); Workload and availability (5); Past performance/Low amount of City work (5); Form #A305 (5); Planned Certified SLBE (Small Local Business Enterprise) participation(5). These items must be delivered to:

Steve Daignault, P. E., Chairman,
Consultants' Competitive Negotiation Committee,
City of Tampa – c/o CAD - 4th Floor North,
306 E. Jackson Street,
Tampa, Florida 33602,

An identical set of information must be submitted in a searchable PDF less than 3MB in size, emailed to ContractAdministration@tampagov.net.

**NO LATER THAN 2 P.M.,
Tuesday, December 22nd, 2009.**