

First Judicial District of Pennsylvania's

Invitation to Bid(s)

For

Drug Testing Instrument and Supply System

Dated February 17, 2012

VENDORS' QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

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PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT THE DEADLINE FOR THE ABOVE REFERENCED RFP HAS BEEN EXTENDED TO TUESDAY, MARCH 20TH, 2012 BY 3:00 P.M.

Q1. What is the term of this contract? Are there renewal/extension options?

Generally the First Judicial District of Pennsylvania ("FJD") enters into Professional Service Agreements for an initial one year term with two (2) additional one (1) year renewal options available at the FJD's sole discretion. For purposes of this solicitation, the FJD is requesting that vendors submit cost points/variables for any available contract term options ranging in length from one (1) year to four (4) years.

Q2. What type of contract will it be?

Please refer to Provision 9 of the ITB. As stated in §9.1, the resulting contract will be a firm, fixed price contract. The FJD desires to engage a vendor that best responds to the requirements of the ITB and offers reasonable fees to support its proposal. Consistent with Q1 above, Vendors should include itemized cost points/variables for any/all available options, including but limited to, the following:

- *An outright purchase of the equipment and with separate purchases of the service (post the warranty period) and reagents/supplies; and/or*
- *Lease of the instrument and service with separate purchases of the reagents/supplies; and/or*
- *Rental of the instrument with separate purchases of the service and reagents/supplies; and/or*
- *Cost per test agreement (instrument + service + reagents/supplies all rolled into a price per test).*

Q2. What is the current method of drug testing used today?

Historically, FJD staff has operated the on-site lab utilizing the onsite drug testing equipment to screen for the presence of drugs and alcohol in urine specimens collected as well as to verify the quantity of drugs present within those specimens. For the drugs tested, please refer to Provision 2.1, Drugs to be Screened For, of the ITB.

Q3. *Are exceptions to the terms and conditions allowed? If exceptions are submitted will the bid be rejected?*

No, please refer to Provision 6.1, Rights Reserved, Bullet #3.

Q4. *Please clarify the necessary testing products required - reagent/test strips/ cartridge verification kits?*

Vendors should include any/all testing products required to support its drug testing equipment.

Q5. *Is firm, fixed pricing for a period of time or for the duration of the contract?*

See response to Q1 above.

Q6. *Is this bid asking for instant test strip products?*

No. This ITB is for qualified vendors to provide a bid response to supply a Drug Testing machine and screening supplies to the FJD's Family Court Juvenile Division for drug and alcohol testing.

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