



Purchasing Division

ADDENDUM NO. 1

DATE: October 22, 2015
FROM: City of Grand Junction Purchasing Division
TO: All Bidders
RE: Fire Hose IFB-4124-15-SH

Bidders responding to the above referenced solicitation are hereby instructed that the requirements have been clarified, modified, superseded and supplemented as to this date as hereinafter described.

Please make note of the following:

1. Q. 3.2 Page 14 – **PRODUCT DESCRIPTION:** The fourth sentence is of major concern to our company. “Due to lack of verification of adherence to NFPA 1961 standards, import hose shall not be accepted. GJFD will only accept hose manufactured, tested and coupled in the U.S.A.” We can provide certification that all our hose is manufactured to comply with NFPA 1961 standards and we are a valid member of NFPA. Why is it of such importance that the hose be woven (manufactured) in the U.S.A.? All of the raw materials are imported.

A. The verbiage has been amended to strike the requirement regarding imported hose. Section 3.2 shall now read:

“All Fire Hose shall be of superior quality and workmanship. The hose shall withstand the extreme usage of front line firefighting. All hose shall meet NFPA 1961 standards. Upon delivery the hose shall be free from defects in materials and workmanship.”

2. Q. 3.2 Bullet Point #1, page 14 – Hose shall be manufactured, coupled and tested in the same facility, with a 10 Year Warranty. Why is this important to the Fire Department? As a wholesaler, we have been outsource purchasing our fire hose in bulk, uncoupled since 1979. We couple and 100% hydrostatically test each section of hose before it is shipped to the end user. It is actually double tested, once at our supplier and again in our facility and carries a full 10 Year non-prorated Warranty.

A. The requirement regarding the same facility has been amended. Bullet Point #1 shall now read:

“Hose shall be manufactured, coupled and tested with a 10 Year Warranty.”

3. Q. 2.12, page 15 – Hose shall be listed with Underwriters Laboratories. Our hose is manufactured to meet all UL and NFPA recommendations. We chose not to have our hose UL listed because of the extremely high cost. Instead we invested in ISO 9001-2008 quality assurance. This has proven to be far more valuable in assuring quality hose than UL listing.

A. If you can prove you meet UL requirements, a UL listing is not necessarily required.

4. Q. 3.2.15, page 15 – All of our storz and threaded couplings are manufactured in the U.S.A. Our large diameter storz are actually manufactured in Ohio and are built out of extruded air craft aluminum extruded bar stock where many of our competitors use sand cast aluminum that is quite inferior to extruded bar stock.

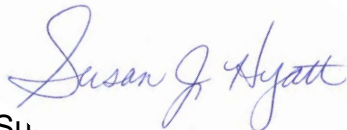
A. From your description above, there is no concern that you cannot meet spec.

5. Q. On the hose tester, are the outlets 1.5” or 2.5”?

A. Hose tester outlets shall be 2.5 inches.

The original solicitation for the project noted above is amended as noted.

All other conditions of subject remain the same.



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