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Wisconsin Department of Commerce, Bureau of PECFA

Bid Document

SECTION 1 - Scope of Work

The Bureau of PECFA is seeking competitive bids to perform remedial services for a petroleum release from a regulated petroleum product storage tank system. This bid is for a specified work scope. The site upon which bids are being solicited is:

Bid Round: 43
Comm #: 54635-9999-00
BRRTS #: 02-27-275762
Site Name: Farmers Coop Oil Co Bulk Plant
Site Address: 151920 Depot St, Hixton, WI 54635

Site Manager: Eileen Kramer
Address: 1300 W Clairemont Ave
City, State Zip: Eau Claire, WI 54702-4001
Phone: 715-839-3824
e-mail: <mailto:eileen.kramer@wisconsin.gov>

Bid Manager: Brian F. Taylor
Address: 201 W Washington Ave
City, State Zip: Madison, Wisconsin 53708-8044
Phone: (608) 266-0593
e-mail: <mailto:brian.taylor@wisconsin.gov>

Bid-Start Date:	May 15, 2006
Questions must be received by (See Section 2 (C)):	May 29, 2006, 4:00 PM
Responses will be posted by (See Section 2 (C)):	June 16, 2006
Bid-End Date and Time:	June 30, 2006, 4:00 PM

The case file, including report(s) and other pertinent information upon which bids are being sought, are available for review at the Site Manager's location listed above. Please contact the Site Manager for an appointment to review the file.

Copies of report(s) and other pertinent information are available for purchase at the location listed below. If pertinent information is not available, please contact the Site Manager.

Quality Quick Print, 1213 Menomonie St, Eau Claire, WI 54703

Phone: (715) 836-0049

Fax: (715) 836-7704

SECTION 2 – Site-Specific Bid Requirements

A) Bid Manager Comments

1) General Comments:

The scope of work includes work on two sites. The responsible party for both sites is the Farmers Coop Oil Co of Hixton and the groundwater plume appears commingled. The up-gradient site is a former AST bulk petroleum facility with a vadose zone source area and down-gradient groundwater plume. The AST site is located on land leased from the railroad. Free product has been observed. The down-gradient site (The Cheese Hut) includes two large multi-compartment USTs, an overhead loading rack, and two product dispensers. Data from a monitoring well down-gradient of the Cheese Hut USTs indicates PVOCs much higher than from the monitoring wells up-gradient of the USTs but down-gradient of the former ASTs. The Cheese Hut USTs or dispensers appear to be contributing to a commingled groundwater plume.

2) Minimum Remedial Requirements:

Excavation

Excavate an area approximately 55'X15'X4' deep on the AST Site to address direct contact concerns at the Farmers Union Co-Op property in the areas of the piping runs and dispensing racks. The area is to encompass the locations of MW-6, B-3 and G-1. MW-6 shall be properly abandoned prior to excavation and re-constructed in a location to be approved by DNR after excavation. Collect 8 sidewall soil samples and analyze for PVOCs including naphthalene. Post excavation samples are to be collected from freshly exposed surfaces at three feet below ground surface. For purposes of this bid calculate costs to excavate, transport and treat or dispose, and replace with clean fill and compact 125 cubic yards.

In addition provide a per yard commodities cost by which the reimbursement cap may be adjusted upward or downward should observations indicate that the extent of excavation should be reduced or increased.

Investigation at Cheese Hut

Evaluate contamination at the Cheese Hut site by performing six soil borings by hollow stem auger or push probe. Two borings shall be advanced at the loading rack and dispensers in which two soil samples and a groundwater grab sample from each boring shall be laboratory analyzed for DRO, GRO and PVOCs. The remaining four borings shall be advanced around the two multi-compartment USTs in which two soil samples from each boring and groundwater grab samples shall be analyzed for the same parameters.

Following the excavation at the Farmers Co-op AST site, conduct two quarterly rounds of groundwater samples from the replacement for MW-6, MW-9, MW-10, MW-12 and MW-13. Groundwater samples shall be collected and analyzed for PVOCs including naphthalene.

Reporting

All work and reporting is to be performed in accordance with Wisconsin Administrative Code, especially the NR700 series, and WDNR guidance.

Closure for Farmers Co-op AST Site

Provide a separate cost for completion of the closure requirements for the Farmers Co-op AST site if the site meets requirements for closeout after completion of excavation and groundwater sampling events. This is to include the preparation of the case summary and closeout request (including all historical data), preparation and implementation of any necessary institutional controls such as deed restrictions, notices to right of way owners, GIS Registry documentation, etc. If the AST site does not qualify for closure after completion of the SOW, provide a status report.

3) Reporting Timeframes:

Within *60 days* of the Commerce notification of the maximum reimbursement amount, the responsible party (RP) must execute a written contract with one of the firms that submitted a bid. Failure to execute the written contract within this time will result in ineligibility of interest expenses incurred from the date of the reimbursement cap letter until a contract is executed and work commences at the site. Work must commence within *45 days* of signing a contract. There are specific reporting requirements in Comm 47.70 to monitor the progress of activities at each bid site and there maybe additional reporting requirements outlined above. The consulting firm that is contracted to complete the scope of work is required to report the progress of this site to Commerce electronically on the web site at each of the following points:

1. Within fourteen days of executing or terminating a contract with the RP.
2. Three months after entering into the contract with the RP.
3. Twelve months after beginning the work in the successful bid, unless the project is completed before that time (point 6 applies).
4. Twelve months after submitting the previous report (point 3), unless the project is completed before that time (point 6 applies).
5. No later than 10 days after encountering a change in circumstances (the list of circumstances is in Comm 47.70 (3)).
6. No later than 30 days after completing the work.
7. As directed by Commerce.

If Commerce determines that the consulting firm is failing to make adequate progress to complete the scope of work, Commerce will notify the RP and may reduce the reimbursement to accurately reflect the work completed.

4) Claim Submittal:

A claim must be submitted to Commerce within 120 days of submitting the report described in *Reporting Timeframe, point #6*. If a claim is not submitted by the deadline described above, interest costs from the date the report (point #6) is submitted to the date the claim is receive will not be reimbursed to the claimant. Claim preparation costs must be included in the Total Bid Amount and is considered within the reimbursement cap.

B) Questions and Answers

Questions, answers and interpretations will be considered an amendment of this solicitation. All questions must be submitted in writing (fax and electronic mail

submittals are acceptable) to the Bid Manager identified in Section 1 of this solicitation. All answers and interpretations shall be in writing from the Bid Manager. Neither the PECFA program nor Commerce shall be legally bound by any amendments or interpretations that are not in writing. Bidders are not to contact other personnel located within the Department of Commerce/Bureau of PECFA concerning the site or the bid solicitation between the Bid Announcement Date and Bid End Date. No further questions will be addressed after the deadline for submitting questions identified in Section 1.

SECTION 3 - Conditions of Bid

The successful bidder will be the entity that complies with all provisions of the bid and provides the lowest total cost, excluding interest, for the site-specific bid requirements described in Section 2. In preparing the bid, the bidder must assume compliance with all applicable codes, including, but not limited to, §Comm 46, §Comm 47, and §NR 700 Wis. Admin. Codes.

The bid Commerce selects to determine the least costly method of remedial action will be the least costly qualified bid. Commerce will rank the bids solely on the basis of cost. Evaluation of bids will continue until the least costly qualified bid is identified. Submittals from an individual or firm during their period of disqualification from bidding, submittals received late and for submittals without a certified commitment (performance assurance and/or signature) will not be considered as bids. Commerce may disqualify a bid for the following reasons:

- Requirements of the bid specifications have not been met.
- The remedial strategy is not appropriate to the geologic setting.
- A Total Bid Amount is insufficient to fund the activities described in the bid specifications.

Commerce reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Any proposed technology or methods used in the remediation must be allowed for use in the State of Wisconsin and approvable by the agency with jurisdiction (Natural Resources or Commerce).

The bidder Commerce intends to select may be required to provide input to and attend a meeting with the PECFA program and the claimant to explain the bid and remedial approach.

If a bid is disqualified, Commerce will provide written notification to any individual or firm that submitted a disqualified bid. The notification shall specify the reasons for the disqualification, and inform the individual or firm of their right to protest or appeal the decision. If a bid is more costly than the bid Commerce intends to select, the bid will not be reviewed.

The *Notice of Intent* will identify the least costly bid, disqualified bid(s) and bid(s) not reviewed. The *Notice of Intent* will be sent to the RP and will be posted on PECFA's Internet Web site.

SECTION 4 - Instructions to Bidders

Between the bid start and end dates, bidders shall not discuss or attempt to negotiate any aspects of the bid with the RP, other potential bidders or program staff without prior approval of the Bid Manager identified in Section 1. Infractions will result in rejection of

the violator's bid and may result in a formal complaint being filed with the Department of Regulation and Licensing.

If access to the site is necessary for the preparation of a bid, access shall be arranged through the Bid Manager. If the Bid Manager is not able to arrange site access, this will not delay the bid process nor negate the comparison and selection from among the bids submitted. All costs associated with a site visit or preparation of a bid will be the bidder's responsibility.

The Bidding Process must conform to the following:

1. The Bid Response shall address all the site-specific bid requirements identified in Section 2.
2. The total bid amount to accomplish the stated goal must include all fees, reporting costs, pre- and post-closure costs and costs for establishing restrictions or institutional controls, when applicable (interest costs are excluded).
3. The submittal must include a copy of the Bid Response document signed by a Professional Engineer, Professional Geologist, Hydrologist or Soil Scientist licensed by the State of Wisconsin. The appropriate registration number of the professional license must be included. Registration requirements are listed in Comm 5.
4. Bids *cannot* be faxed directly to the program. Documents received by fax will not be considered.
5. Bids, amendments thereto or withdrawal requests must be received by 4 pm on the bid end date.
6. The consulting firm's name must be included and all pages of the Bid Response.
7. All costs must be printed (ink, typewritten or computer). Errors must be crossed out, corrections entered and initialed by the person signing the bid. Correction fluid is not allowed. No bid shall be altered or amended after the time specified for the bid end date.
8. Each bidder shall fully acquaint themselves with conditions relating to the scope and restrictions attending to the execution of the work under the conditions of this bid. The failure of a bidder to acquaint themselves with existing documented conditions shall in no way relieve any obligation with respect to this bid.
9. All amendments to and interpretations of this bid shall be in writing from the Bid Manager. Neither Commerce nor the program shall be legally bound by any amendment or interpretation that is not in writing.
10. This bid is intended to promote competition. If the language, specifications, terms and conditions, or any combination thereof restricts or limits the requirements in this bid to a single source, it shall be the responsibility of the interested bidders to notify the program in writing so as to be received five days prior to the opening date. The bid may or may not be changed; however a review of such notification will be made prior to award.

SECTION 5 - Bidder Disqualification

Commerce may disqualify from public bidding any individual or firm that has committed any of the following (Comm 47.67 (1) (a)):

- 1) Failed to complete the scope of work within the reimbursement cost cap established through public bidding.
- 2) Failed to complete the scope of work in a bid in a timely manner.
- 3) Failed to follow DNR rules on the bid project.
- 4) Received one or more notices from Commerce under s. Comm 47.62 (2) that assess the financial management of an investigation as unacceptable.
- 5) In any prior occurrence that has been publicly bid, failed to do either of the following:
 - a. Pay subcontractors after receiving payment for them.
 - b. Obtain lien waivers on or before the date of the final payment by the RP or the PECFA program, from all subcontractors paid under subd. 5. a.
- 6) Failed to execute a contract with the RP as required in s. Comm 47.69 (1).
- 7) Failed to commence work within 45 days after executing a contract, as required in s. Comm 47.69 (3).

Commerce may disqualify any individual or firm from performing further work on a project if the individual or firm has not completed any of the six reporting points required in Comm 47.70 and outlined in Section 2 of this bid document. Commerce will review and address the issue as stated in Comm 47.70 (4).

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Department of Commerce PECFA Program

SITE NAME:
COMMERCE #:
BRRTS #:

Submit Bid Response To: Cathy Voges
Public Bid Response
Department of Commerce PECFA Bureau
201 W Washington Ave, Madison WI 53703-2790 or
PO Box 8044, Madison WI 53708-8044

Consulting Firm Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: () - _____

Fax Number: () - _____

E-mail Address: _____

Bidder (check one that applies):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Professional Engineer | License # _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Professional Geologist | License # _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Hydrologist | License # _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Soil Scientist | License # _____ |

Use this box to certify (by marking with a check or X) a commitment to complete the work described in the bid specifications in its entirety for the Total Bid Amount proposed above. Failure to provide this performance assurance will disqualify this bid response. Providing unsolicited qualifications and/or contingency statements in your bid submittal will disqualified the bid response.

Total Bid Amount: \$ _____

Print Name: _____

Title: _____

I certify that I have the authority to commit my organization or firm to the performance of the bid I have submitted.

Signature: _____

Personal information you provide may be used for secondary purposes [Privacy Law, s. 15.04(1)(m)].

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Department of Commerce PECFA Program

SITE NAME:
COMMERCE #:
BRRTS #:

Consulting Firm Name: _____

A bid will be considered to be non-complaint if the bid response does not include separate tabulation of cost for each activity.

1	Excavation activities at Farmers Union Co-Op	\$	_____
2	Excavation contingency cost (Commodity Only)	\$	_____
3	Investigation activities at Cheese Hut Site	\$	_____
4	Monitoring (include analytical cost) per event	\$	_____
5	Number of Monitoring events	\$	_____
	Monitoring Subtotal (Row 2 X Row 3)		_____
	Prepare GIS packet for closure for Farmers Union Co-Op		_____
	Closure Request and Report preparation. If applicable implementation of institutional controls.		_____
	Reporting		_____
7	PECFA Claim Preparation	\$	_____
8	Total Bid Amount	\$	_____