

SAN ANTONIO WATER SYSTEM PURCHASING DEPARTMENT

Issued By: **Anthony Rubin**
BID NO.: **11-3120**

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**FORMAL INVITATION FOR BIDS
ANNUAL CONTRACT FOR TIRES, ACCESSORIES AND
TIRE REPAIR SERVICES
ADDENDUM NO. 2**

Sealed bids addressed to the Purchasing Director, San Antonio Water System, 2800 US Hwy 281 North, P.O. Box 2449, San Antonio, TX 78298-2449 will be received until **3:00 p.m., December 1, 2011** and then publicly opened and read aloud for furnishing materials or services as described received herein below,

The San Antonio Water System Purchasing Department is willing to assist any bidder(s) in the interpretation of bid provisions or explanation of how bid forms are to be completed. Assistance may be received by visiting the Purchasing Office in the SAWS Main Office, 2800 US Hwy 281 North, San Antonio, TX 78212, or by calling (210) 233-3819.

This invitation includes the following:

Invitation for Bids
Terms and Conditions of Invitation for Bids

Specifications and General Requirements
Price Schedule

The undersigned, by his/her signature, represents that he/she is authorized to bind the Bidder to fully comply with the Specifications and General Requirements for the amount(s) shown on the accompanying bid sheet(s). By signing below, Bidder has read the entire document and agreed to the terms therein.

Signer's Name: _____ Firm Name: _____
(Please Print or Type)

Address: _____

Signature of Person Authorized to Sign Bid _____ City, State, Zip Code: _____

Email Address: _____ Telephone No.: _____

Fax No.: _____

Please complete the following:

Prompt Payment Discount: _____% _____days. (If no discount is offered, Net 30 will apply.)

Please check the following blanks which apply to your company:

Ownership of firm (51% or more):

___ Non-minority ___ Hispanic ___ African-American ___ Other Minority (specify) _____

___ Female Owned ___ Handicapped Owned ___ Small Business (less than \$1 million annual receipts or 100 employees)

Indicate Status: ___ Partnership ___ Corporation ___ Sole Proprietorship ___ Other (specify) _____

Tax Identification Number: _____

Question from the Tire & Repair Service bid no. 11-3120 pre-bid dated November 22, 2011

Question 1:

1. If our suppliers (major manufacturers) don't make a specific size tire will we be penalized for bidding a brand not listed in the "approved manufacturers" list?

Answer 1:

Yes, there are 9 tire manufacture approved on this bid.

Question 2:

2. How far before the end of the contract will you contact the winning company and request a contract renewal?

Answer 2:

General a request to extend the contract is sent out 120 days before the contract expires.

Question 3:

3. Will this contract go into effect on January 1, 2012, and terminate on December 31, 2012?

Answer 3:

The will go into effect on the date of award or January 1, 2012 whichever is later and will terminate on December 31, 2012 unless the contract agreement is extended for an additional year.

Question 4:

4. We offer pricing on tires not manufactured by a major manufacturer (industrial type primarily) and cannot give you a base price with a percentage discount. We give you a net price which is normally good for one year. Also the major manufacturers give us specific net pricing for many of the higher volume tires which is better than using discounts off a government base. How do you plan to handle these types of pricing whenever you move to a renewal contract?

Answer 5:

The purpose behind listing the approved manufactures as in Group 5 with a percent off of a price list/catalog is to allow a successful vendor to incorporate a new price list/catalog when the contract come up for an extension. SAWS can chose to approve a new price list/catalog only when mutually agreed upon during an offer to extend.

Question 5:

5. It is listed that each vendor will have the ability to run "4 service calls simultaneously", how will this be determined? Number of fleet trucks, outsource availability?

Answer 5:

SAWS expectation is that the tire contractor will be able to handle up to 4 service call. Whither the contractor has the resources or use a third party contractor which must be approved by SAWS before the execution of the contract agreement begins. Our agreement will be the Prime Contractor only.

Question 6a:

6a. We are required to provide SAWS with 2 balance machines and 1 tire changing machine for the 2 main locations. Would it be acceptable to provide these services with a mobile unit that has the capability to mount AND balance on site?

Answer 6a:

Yes.

Question 6b:

6b. Obviously, we would have to provide 2 separate units for daily fleet checks.

Answer 6b:

Yes, anytime mounting and balances is required those units will have to be provided.

Question 7:

7. You have multiple lines of tires that are deemed as acceptable but there is a variance in the quality of tires chosen. IE: Michelin tires are in a different class and price range than a Cooper. How will the tire chosen be determined? Will it be completely judged on price? If so why bid anything than the cheapest tire? We want to make sure apples are being compared to apples.

Answer 7:

These manufacture have meet our minimum quality specification for use on SAWS vehicles, the only limitation we have is that the distributor bid a tire from the manufacturer we have approved.

Question 8:

8. It is stated that there will be no labor charged during fleet checks, only quoted hourly rate. Does that mean the only tire individual labor charges will be billed is on Emergency Road Calls? The charge is for a fleet check, this fleet can

Answer 8:

The Fleet Check is bid as a set fee for service provided not an hourly rate. Group 6: Tire and Accessories Repairs and Services Specifications lists other labor type services that may be billed.

Question 9:

9. TPMS sensors will be replaced if broken by the tire provider at no cost but we were also told that any other need would be provided by SAWS locations. Each TPMS sensor for all brand trucks are still listed on bid, is this applicable?

Answer 9:

TPMS sensors are listed to cover situations that the provider would be required to replace a sensor outside normal business hours or emergencies (holidays, evenings, weekend's etc.) when SAWS is unable to provide a sensor.

IT IS NOT NECESSARY TO RETURN THIS ADDENDUM WITH YOUR BID.