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RFP ADDENDUM #1

DESCRIPTION:

Woolen Uniforms

FOR:

Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection

PROPOSERS NOTE: Questions and Answers

1. Page 5 paragraph A states a 2024 end date but page 15 paragraph 1 states a 2022 end date, which is correct?
A- Correct end date is 2024. Updated RFP Document will be submitted to reflect the correction.
2. For efficiencies in our manufacturing facility we require a minimum purchase on the summer and winter trousers of 150 per style (summer or winter) not combinable. This is much smaller than the industry standard of 300-600 units per style. Will the state accept these minimums? Page 5, paragraph 2: There are no stock options meeting these specifications We can manufacture the garments to your specifications using the fabrics and specified but all trousers will be special cut manufactured to standard male/female stock patterns. For males in sizes from male 28 through 40 in 1" increments above size 40 in 2" increments. For females in sizes 0 through 28. All of which will be made per specifications for design, fabric and trim in short, regular and long rises. The trousers are not made to measure or custom tailored to the individual. Is this acceptable to the state?
A- Suppliers should specify all stock options in detailed on their RFP Proposal. The State of Connecticut reserve the right to accept or deny minimum quantities.
3. The specifications call for the use of snug-tex in the waistband. This is an older technology that after repeated cleanings becomes brittle and begins over time to disintegrate. Samples provided will feature a superior product, Tru-Grip in lieu of snug-tex . Tru-Grip has a much longer life. Please confirm this is acceptable.
A- Suppliers should specify any alternatives with their RFP proposals and samples.
4. The specified winter trouser requires a Metcalf fabric that has a 1200 yard minimum. At the end of the contract the state will need to purchase all remaining fabric or make a condition on subsequent contracts the vendor be required to purchase at cost the remaining fabric from the state. This should not be an issue as any vendor needs to purchase fabric anyway to begin production. Will the state add this buy-out close to the final contract?
A- The state of Connecticut will not include commitment of purchasing remaining fabric.

- 5. The fabrics specified by CTSP are non-stock fabrics. Burlington-Raford and Metcalf do not keep any inventory of these fabrics. The minimum lead time is 120 days from receipt of purchase order from the awarded vendor.**

A- Please provide any information relating to lead time with your RFP proposal.
- 6. Since these are not MTM garments, each garment will have the name of the manufacturer, the size of the garment and the manufacturer's PO number. It will not have the individuals name but will be bagged by individual.**

A- Suppliers should specify any alternatives with their RFP proposals.
- 7. Some of the fabrics specified are not readily available. Due to mill's lead-time and minimums is it acceptable to furnish samples in a similar but slightly different fabric solely for the purpose of examining quality & specification adherence?**

A- Suppliers should provide sample with the exact specifications with optional fabric. Suppliers should specify to indicate change of fabric with your sample.
- 8. In order to provide samples the manufacturer will need an additional 30 days to manufacture requested samples. Most factories shut down the first 2 weeks of July.**

A- Samples must be submitted at time of RFP closed date identified in RFP document page 5 under Scope of Services.