**Addendum #2, ITB-19-074-MJ Custodial Chemicals**

1. Where can I find the past bid tabulation/award for this bid?
   **Answer: All past awards can be found on the procurement website at http://procurement.dadeschools.net. Click on solicitations, non-construction, search for bids and rfp's and type in Custodial Chemical in the search box. For a copy of the past bid tabulation, please submit a Public Records Request at prr@dadeschools.net.**

2. Can you please email me the previous bid award showing the winning price and vendor for this bid.
   **Answer: Please refer to the answer for Question #1.**

3. For the following, how many per case do you need?

   a. Liquid hand soap. It says 12,000 cases. How many per case?
      **Answer: 12 per case**

   b. Hand sanitizer for desks says 25,000 cases. how many per case?
      **Answer: Four gallons per case, that must include a pump for each gallon. The total number of gallon should be 75,000 gallons = 18,750 cases. We have approximately 20,000 classrooms and 3,250 other key areas such as GYMS, Offices, Media Centers, Teachers Lounges, etc. These numbers are based on a gallon replacement every 3 months.**

   c. Hand sanitizer bag. It says 12,000 cases, how many per case?
      **Answer: The current item has 6/1000 ML bags per case. This item is used together with a dispenser. Hand sanitizer in a bag is for school buses and the amount should be 4,000 units 6 units per case = 667 cases. We have approximately 1000 buses. These numbers are based on unit replacement every 3 months.**

4. Item #3 Hydrogen Peroxide-Based Cleaner states, "(Dilution/Proportion system that provides options for light and heavy cleaning)." Will you please clarify that the portable, hand-held dispenser must have a button that dilutes at two separate dilutions, one light and one heavy?
   **Answer: Yes, that is correct.**

5. Item #3 Hydrogen Peroxide-Based Cleaner does not state how many portable, hand-held dispensers are required or any additional materials such as ready to use spray bottles, hoses or quick disconnects that are to be provided at no extra charge with the system. Are these to be part of this specification?
   **Answer: We need a total of 3,000 dispensers. Ready to use bottles are needed with label (3,000 units). No hoses are necessary.**

6. Items #4A Detergent Germicidal MRSA-Effective, #4B Detergent Germicidal TB and MRSA Effective RTU, #4C Detergent Germicidal TB and MRSA Effective RTU, #8 Toilet Bowl Disinfectant Cleaner and item #12 Wipes Disinfectant are all disinfectants and the specification should note that they are to be EPA registered and registered with the State of Florida Agriculture and Consumer Services for sale in the State of Florida prior to the bid opening.
   **Answer: Yes**

7. Due to the pandemic, it would be advantageous to Miami-Dade Public Schools to include in the specification for item #12 Wipes Disinfectant that this item must be listed on EPA's List N: Disinfectants for Use Against SARS-CoV-2 (COVID-19).
   **Answer: Please refer to the answer for Question #6.**

8. Item #6 Defoamer list cases as the unit of measure. Will you please clarify the container size for this item (ie. Gallon)?
   **Answer: Quarts**

9. We would recommend that the specifications for items #10 Bag-In-Box Foaming Hand Soap Dispenser and #16 Dispenser, Hand Sanitizer include durable and attractive unit with built-in, foaming dispenser valve that is not thrown away after each use. This is cost effective for Miami-Dade Public Schools as well as environmentally responsible as less plastic is being thrown away.
   **Answer: We do not have a universal dispenser but each company manufacturers their proprietary dispensing system.**

10. Item #13 Floor Finish System and #14 Floor Finish Remover have always been awarded as a system to insure consistency in the program. Please clarify that these items will be awarded together.
    **Answer: The floor finish and the floor remover is awarded as a system from the same manufacturer.**

11. For over 10 years Miami-Dade Public Schools required that the specification for item #14 Floor Finish Remover was to be Green Seal certified and FSPMA certified under FSPMA PBCC-29.1A – Environmentally-Friendly Performance-Based Floor Finish System. Should this be included to the specification?
    **Answer: It is included.**

12. How do we offer an equal if packaging is not the same as the approved?
    **Answer: Providing an equal is more regarding to the brand of chemical. Any product that is submitted as an alternate to what is originally requested will have to be tested both in the lab and in the field. In regards, to packaging, if the packaging of your products is different please state this in your response on the excel spreadsheet.**

13. Since I have not submitted samples for testing and evaluation within the 7 days of the opening of the bid, are we no longer qualified to bid on this project?
    **Answer: Samples should be sent within 7 days of the opening date, which is 7 days from the date that the bid is due. In this case, the bid is due on the 11th of August which means that samples should be received by the 18th of August. However, we have requested that samples be submitted on the bid opening date.**

14. I cannot access the "Disclosure of Conflict Interest" on the link provided on the document or on the "neola" website. What should I do? DO I have to register on that site for access to the portal?
    **Answer: Not sure why you are unable to access the form, however the form is available in the solicitation which can also be found on the Procurement website at http://procurement.dadeschools.net. Please refer to answer for question #1 for instructions on accessing the current solicitation.**

15. Can we add columns in the pricing file with additional/alternative products?
**Answer: You can include alternative products in column H.**

16. How will you be placing orders? Is each location placing their own orders or is it centralized?
**Answer: Orders will be placed via a purchase order and are centralized.**

17. Will the orders be shipped to different addresses or to a centralized location?
**Answer: Section 7.2 Deliveries states that all deliveries will be made to one central location. Please refer to this section in the solicitation for more information.**

18. The amount of product that you are needing for this upcoming school year, does that need to be delivered as one bulk shipment or can it be sent out in different shipments throughout the year?
**Answer: Orders will be processed by S&MD, shipment will be determined at the time that the PO is issued.**

19. There is not a form named "Manufacturers Authorization" in the RFP, yet it says to be compliance.
**Answer: Please disregard as that area should not have been checked off.**

20. What is the fee schedule for testing? Is it for each item, or all the items we bid on?
**Answer: All items will be tested in the lab to ensure specification compliance, and field tested by Plant Operations. For information regarding fees, please visit the following website:**
**http://materials.dadeschools.net/FSPMA_Chemical_Products/Chemical_Testing_fees.asp**

21. How many dispensers do you estimate for Line item 10 - Manual Foam Soap Dispenser? What constitutes a case quantity for this item?
**Answer: 40,000 units, the case contains 6 to 10 units per case.**

22. If alternate product we offer as an equal meets specs defined in bid, does it still need to be tested?
**Answer: Any brand that has not been pre-approved shall be tested in the lab and by Plant Operations.**

23. In testing, 3.5 Value - what does that Value indicate or mean?
**Answer: It is the average of five to seven conditions resulting from ten-twelve people conducting the field test performance.**

24. Will you please provide the exact number of dispensers that are required for items #10 Bag-In-Box Foaming hand Soap Dispenser and #16 Dispenser, Hand Sanitizer? The quantity is listed as cases and the case quantities can vary depending on the manufacturer.
**Answer: Please refer to answer for question #21.**

25. Manually or electronically signing the Proposal is deemed the Bidder's certification of compliance with all provisions of this employment status verification certification required by all applicable status verification laws.

Staples considers electronic signatures to be legally binding and request your approval to use electronic signature, in lieu of "manual ink" signature in the hardcopy proposals we submit to you. We reference the ESIGN Act is a federal law passed in 2000.
**Answer: Electronic signatures are acceptable but hard copies must be submitted.**

26. If we have an advanced, environmentally safe cleaner/disinfectant that repels the Corona Virus for 12 hours, can we discuss the cleaner/disinfectant only? Can the BID be split up? It has been sold into other school districts.
**Answer: Any new material shall be tested, and field performance evaluated. If it is a cleaner, and none of the current cleaner specifications match the properties of this particular cleaner, then, a new specification will be written. Once approved, the product will be added to the MT&E website which is used by the Florida School Districts.**

27. Do you need original copies submitted, with original signatures? (many working remotely)
**Answer: Yes, please submit original copies with original signatures. Electronic signatures are acceptable but hard copies must be submitted.**

28. Hand delivered proposals and samples go to 7001 SW 4th Street Miami, FL 33144?
**Answer: All proposals and samples should be submitted to 7001 SW 4th Street, Miami, FL 33144 on the day of bid opening.**

29. All can be delivered together?
**Answer: Yes, you can deliver the samples with your submittal.**

30. Quantities on Pricing sheet – specifically item 19 – 25,000 units? Or 25,000 cases?
**Answer: 25,000 cases**

31. Column reading cases meant to specify packing size?
**Answer: Yes**

32. Item 15, 2001141, approved is 1000-1200 ml bags. Will gallons be accepted? Equal quality, earth friendly
**Answer: No**

33. Please explain the 5% _____ (?) that pertains to the OEO registration. This where my phone was dropping – couldn't get clear reception. 5% is of/for/from what?
**Answer: A small business set-aside was determined at the Goal Setting Committee for this solicitation where all SBE/MBE/VBE firms that were certified with the District would receive a 5% deduction from the pricing submitted for each line item. However, if awarded for the line item the District would pay at the original price submitted by the certified vendor.**

34. How can I confirm MD Science is registered with DadeSchools.net? I believe I submitted all forms, but cannot find our company listed on the very long General Vendor list.
**Answer: Please contact us at vendors@dadeschools.net or 305-995-4288.**

35. How many samples will you need? Our foamers come in 7.5 ounce – will one be enough?
**Answer: No, for any material to be evaluated, two samples from two different production lots are required.**

36. Item 16 2001142 You state the requirement is 12,000 cases. How many did you expect would be in a case?
**Answer: This is the dispenser for hand sanitizer, the current vendor, NCL packs them in boxes of 12. We stock them and provide them by each. If, as planned, the District moves schools to using mostly 1 GL hand sanitizer. then you may want to revise the quantity down significantly. 12,000 cases of 12 would be 144,000 units. Please consider that if every school/location (approximately 400 sites) orders 50 each and Transportation orders 1,000 each you would get 21,000 units or 1,750 cases of 12.**

37. Item 17 2001225 Same question
**Answer: This is the stand for hand sanitizer, they are quite heavy and packed by the current vendor by each and it is comprised of two separate pieces that need to be delivered together. Please consider keeping this item as each as handling them is difficult. As far as the quantity is concerned, we just started stocking this item.**

38. Saw there was a bid for sanitizer for your school district. Could you provide the formal list or more information?
**Answer: This bid calls for alcohol-free hand sanitizers in two different formats: 1) 1000-1200 ml bags with the dispenser, and 8 oz – 1 gal containers with a pump.**
**If you have an Alcohol-Based Gel Hand Sanitizer, submit it for evaluation directly to Materials Testing under FSPMA CC-38.0 Alcohol-Based Gel Hand Sanitizer. You must have FDA approval certification. There is a $200 testing fee. This category is part of an RFQ to be published later.**

39. Can you please clarify the quantities you are asking for and units of measure of the items. For example, line item 4B – Qty is listed 6,600. UM is Case. Please confirm if you want 6600 cases which would be: 26,400 one gallon jugs of disinfectant, or 6,600 one gallon jugs which would 1,650 cases.
**Answer: If the UOM is case and the cases are 4/1GL, then the estimated quantity of 6,600 is in cases of 4/1GL. The case configuration should be found on the document for all items.**

40. Also, there's some confusing details on line items 9 and 10. The item details say Bag-In-Box soap refills that come 12 per case and Bag-In-Box dispensers. However, the approved refills and dispensers they want quoted out are the NCL Afia Earth Sense Foam Soap refills and NCL Afia foam soap dispensers. These are not Bag-in-box items. The refills also don't come 12 per case. They only come 6 per case.
**Answer: 6 units per case is fine. If your product comes in a plastic bag without a box, it will be acceptable.**

41. Also, they list the refill qty as 11,000 and the UM as a Case. Are they looking for 132,000 soap refill bags (11,000 x 12 refills per case)? If so, because the NCL Afia soap refills only come 6 per case then they'll actually need 22,000 cases of refills. Or, do they need 11,000 soap refill bags total which would be 1,833-1834 cases of NCL Afia soap refills because again, they only come by the 6 case.
**Answer: We will need 11,000 soap refill bags per year.**

42. They have the NCL Afia sanitizer and touch free info correct on lines 15 and 16. However, please clarify the actual number of individual refills they need for these since the qty for the refills and dispensers is 12,000. Is that 72,000 sanitizer refill bags and 72,000 dispensers (12,000 x 6 refills/6 dispensers per case) or do they need 2000 cases of refills and dispensers (12,000 individual refills and dispensers)?
**Answer: Sanitizer 72,000 refill bags; Sanitizer dispensers 35,000 units.**