

092-NN03 Fresh Produce

Question and Answer Listing

1. Will the Small Business Enterprise Certification (SBE) be effective for this current bid? If it will be put in effect, this contract is a \$4 million dollar contract. This would put any company whom is SBE certified, no longer SBE eligible. **No, it will not be effective for this bid.**
2. Delivery Times – On page 4 of 5 of the Instructions to Bidders section under XIV. A. Delivery, it states “Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays excepted, deliveries shall be made as follows: Schools and Departments – 8:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.” But in the section Part -2 Execution 2.4 Delivery Schedules, it states “Deliveries shall be made to schools on a regular weekly schedule between the hours of 6:30 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.” Which is the correct delivery schedule? **For this bid solicitation, Specifications 2.4 Delivery Schedules, supersede the Instructions to Bidder delivery information.**
3. In the Instructions for Bidder section under XIV. Delivery and Billing D., it states “It is the policy of Procurement Management Services not to accept gifts, gratuities, or favors of any kind, or of any value whatsoever, from vendors, members of their staffs, or families.” Is the awarded bidder allowed to send the cafeteria managers gifts during the holidays such as pens, wall clocks, mugs, etc.? **Please refer to the District's Board Policies, Business Code of Ethics and Standards of Ethical Conduct located at <http://www.neola.com/miamidade-fl/> for detailed information regarding your question.**
4. In the Bid Proposal Form Special Conditions Continued number five, it states “A list of suggested seasonal produce with a fixed price for the 4th quarter.” In reference to the fourth quarter, do you mean within the school year calendar, the last 3 months, or fourth quarter of the year October, November, December? **The fourth quarter refers to the months of October, November and December.**
5. Most of your items are split packs. The pack sizes you will order should be included in the quote column. See column D. **Please refer to addendum.**
6. Always specify by a weight that can be objectively measured. We all know what a pound is and can measure it. Aren't all of your recipes in weight units? **Please refer to addendum.**
7. Cilantro-4#/order seems high. Consider going to a 1# pack. The 4-1# pack is a FOODSERVICE pack containing clipped and rinsed Cilantro. **Please refer to addendum.**
8. Cucumbers-What kind of Cucumber? **Please refer to specifications for detailed information. Conventional or the Hydroponic? This is not a condition of the bid. Please bid the item with the best quality and price.** You should order by weight, either 5# or 10# per unit.
9. Boston Lettuce-Are you looking for conventional (field grown/packed) or the Hydroponic? **This is not a condition of the bid. Please bid the item with the best quality and price.** A case of conventional is 24 heads. Suggest that you spec 6ea if conventional or Hydroponic.
10. Parsley-Order by weight not bunch. **Please refer to addendum.**
11. Radishes-Packed in 1# bags. Change pack specification to 1#. Less plastic to dispose. **Please refer to addendum.**