

ADDENDUM #003

Date: March 18, 2019
Solicitation Number: FDC ITB-19-037
Solicitation Title: Inmate Toothpaste
Opening Date/Time: April 2, 2019 at 2:00 p.m., Eastern Time (ET)
Addendum Number: 003

Failure to file a protest within the time prescribed in Section 120.57(3), Florida Statutes, or failure to post the bond or other security required by law within the time allowed for filing a bond shall constitute a waiver of proceedings under Chapter 120, Florida Statutes.

This Addendum includes the Department's answers to the second round of written questions received.

Please be advised that the changes below are applicable to the original specifications of the above-referenced solicitation.

Change No. 1:

A change to ATTACHMENT I – Price Page. This Attachment has been revised and replaced in its entirety. The revised ATTACHMENT I – Price Page, should be used in a Bidder's response.

Change No. 2:

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Responses to Second Round Written Questions

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Question	Question	Answer
1	Can we submit more than one bid?	No, Vendors are only allowed to submit one (1) original Bid. Please see Section 4.4 of the ITB for Instructions for Bid Submittal.
2	Are exceptions allowed or will we be thrown out if we do not meet exact specifications?	According to Section 4.9 Bid Evaluation, "Bids that do not meet the requirements specified in this ITB may be considered non-responsive. The Department reserves the right to accept, or reject, any and all responses, or separable portions thereof, and to waive any minor irregularity, technicality, or omission(s), if the Department determines that doing so will serve its best interest(s). The Department may reject any response not submitted in the manner specified in this solicitation."
3	Will you consider issuing an addendum and changing the specifications as ALL of our suppliers say the product you are requesting does not currently exist. Some of the ingredients conflict with other ingredients listed. Manufacturers do not recommend putting a white paste inside of a clear tube as it could affect the stability of the product. White paste defeats the purpose a clear tube offers.	Please see Change #1 in this Addendum.
4	Can you drop the ADA certification? It could take months to go through the ADA certification process. ADA certification does not provide any additional benefits over being FDA approved.	No, the Department requires the American Dental Association (ADA) Certification.

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5	If you know of a product meeting your specifications, can you please share the brand, make and manufacturer?	The Department does not have a specific brand, make, or manufacturer preferences as long as the product meets the minimum requirements as outlined in ATTACHMENT I – Price Page. The Department is currently using AmerFresh from the Vendor Phoenix Trading, Inc.
6	When do you expect your facilities to start ordering off this contract? If awarded, we will need to build our stock in order to meet the demands/quantities listed in the bid document. This could take 90-120 days.	Once the resulting Contract is executed, facilities may immediately begin placing orders, as needed. The Department may, at its discretion, allow a transition period. The current contract expires June 22, 2019.
7	Can you consider extending the due date, again? If answers are not provided to our questions until March 18 this only gives us three or four business days to work on the bid proposal (after receiving the answers) before the bid proposal would need to be mailed to ensure delivery prior to March 26. Your answers will determine which options we will pursue.	Please see Change #1 of this Addendum.
8	Will samples be required?	No, actual samples of the toothpaste may be required upon request by the Department at a later date, but are not mandatory with a Bid submission. Please see Section 4.4 of the ITB for the Instructions for Bid Submittal.
9	Is an SDS sheet required to be submitted with proposal?	Please see Section 4.6 of the ITB, Mandatory Documentation.
10	Will you consider providing a sample of the awarded toothpaste for third party testing.	No, the Department is not requiring samples and will not be providing samples.

Question	Question	Answer
11	What was the reasoning for changing the toothpaste spec from an FDA approved formula to an ADA approved formula? It is a completely different product that cost at least twice as much, if not more.	ADA Certification is assurance that the product has demonstrated safe and efficiency according to ADA requirements. ADA Certification provides the best products to help maintain good oral health and prevent disease.
13	To my knowledge, there is not currently a white toothpaste in a clear tube with an ADA seal on the market. Do you have a brand and item number for comparison?	Please see the answer to Question #5.
14	I have been trying to source the toothpaste that is described in the bid, an ADA paste in a clear tube. I have not been able to find it. Is there a specific brand and item number that you are using as reference?	Please see the answer to Question #5.

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EVENT	DATE/TIME	LOCATION
Release of ITB	January 11, 2019	Vendor Bid System http://www.myflorida.com/apps/vbs
Last day for written Inquiries and requests for approved equivalents to be received by the Department	January 23, 2019 By 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time	Submit to: Florida Department of Corrections Neva Crawford, Procurement Officer Email: purchasing@fdc.myflorida.com
Anticipated Posting of Written Responses to Written Inquiries	February 18, 2019	Vendor Bid System; http://www.myflorida.com/apps/vbs
Last Day for Second Round of Written Inquires and Requests for Approved Equivalents to be Received by the Department	March 8, 2019 by 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time	Submit to: Florida Department of Corrections Neva Crawford, Procurement Officer Email: purchasing@fdc.myflorida.com
Anticipated Posting of Second Round of Written Responses to Written Inquires	March 18, 2019	Vendor Bid System: http://vbs.dms.state.fl.us/vbs/main_menu
Sealed Bids Due and Opened	March 26, 2019 April 2, 2019 2:00 p.m., Eastern Time	Submit to: Florida Department of Corrections Neva Crawford, Procurement Officer 501 South Calhoun Street Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2500
Anticipated Posting of Recommended Award	April 22, 2019 April 29, 2019	Vendor Bid System; http://www.myflorida.com/apps/vbs

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**ATTACHMENT I – Price Page
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Bids must be firm prices, and shall include all packaging, handling, shipping, and other applicable fees. Bidders shall provide a Unit Cost per item below, then propagate a total for the item based upon the Estimated Number of commodities to be purchased, as needed. By submitting pricing below, the Bidder agrees that in the absence of an equitable price adjustment, as indicated in PUR 1000 (Section 5.1), renewal pricing will remain the same throughout the resulting Contract.

Shipping Destinations include all sites listed in Attachment IV, Delivery Locations.

All toothpaste shall meet the following requirements:

- Sodium Fluoride (minimum of 0.243%)
Sodium Monofluorophosphate (minimum of 0.76%) or Stannous Fluoride (minimum of 0.0454%)
- Free of Animal Fat
- Certified by the American Dental Association (ADA)

	Description of Goods/ Specifications	(A) Unit Cost (Per Item)	(B) Estimated Quantity Per Cases/Packets Purchased Annually	(C=A x B) Extended Annual Cost	(D) Name of Proposed Brand	(E) Number of Items (Column A) in a Box, if applicable	(F) Number of Boxes (Column E) in a Case, if applicable
1	Clear Individual Toothpaste Packet - Sodium Fluoride (minimum of 0.243%) - Minimum Size: 0.28 ounces	\$ _____	86,000 Clear Toothpaste Packets	\$ _____			
2	Clear Tube Toothpaste - Sodium Fluoride (minimum of 0.243%) - Minimum Size: 2.5 ounces to 3.0 ounces	\$ _____	1,596,816 Clear Tube Toothpaste	\$ _____			
Grand Total Price (Sum of Column C)				\$ _____			

For each item above, the Vendor shall provide the proposed brand and number of units (items) in each box or case, as indicated in Columns D-F. The size of packaging will not be used for the basis of an award (see Section 4.11, Basis of Award, for additional information).

NAME OF VENDOR

FEIN#

SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE

DATE