

**JAMES CITY COUNTY
INVITATION FOR BIDS 10-3820
TWO (2) RIBCRAFT 6.5 PROFESSIONAL OR EQUAL
RIGID HULL INFLATABLE BOATS & TRAILERS**

DATE: October 30, 2009

ADDENDUM NO. 1

This Addendum provides a Notice to Bidders, changes to the bid document and answers bidder questions. Please contact Stephanie Luton, Purchasing/Management Services Director, 757-253-6649, email: sluton@james-city.va.us if you have any questions.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Please take special notice of paragraph 21 of Attachment C (provided below for reference) and the requirements (underlined) for information that should be submitted with the bid.

21. BRAND NAME OR EQUAL ITEMS: Unless otherwise provided in the solicitation, the name of a certain brand, make or manufacturer does not restrict bidders to the specific brand, make or manufacturer named; it conveys the general style, type, character, and quality of the article desired, and any article which the County in its sole discretion determines to be the equal of that specified, considering quality, workmanship, economy of operation, and suitability for the purpose intended, shall be accepted. The Bidder is responsible to clearly and specifically indicate the product being offered and to provide sufficient descriptive literature, catalog cuts and technical detail to enable James City County to determine if the product offered meets the requirements of the solicitation. This is required even if offering the exact brand, make or manufacturer specified. Normally in competitive sealed bidding, only the information furnished with the bid will be considered in the evaluation. Failure to furnish adequate data to enable James City County to determine if the product offered meets the requirements of the solicitation may result the bid being declared non-responsive. Unless the Bidder clearly indicates in its bid/proposal that the product offered is "equal" product, such bid/proposal will be considered to offer the brand name product referenced in the solicitation.

ADDITIONS TO IFB

1) Please add the following as new item #14 immediately after item #13 on page 5 of the bid document, Attachment A, Bid Form

14) Names and contact information for 3 references, preferably governmental public safety agencies, that have purchased this vessel from you in the last 3-5 years. Attach separate sheet if needed.

2) Please insert the bold, underlined text below into the first bullet point item under "RHIB Design" on page 3 of Attachment B, Scope of Work:

"The RHIBs shall have an Outboard Configuration w/ hard transom of fiberglass, aluminum or other appropriate material (pre-approved by the County) construction for mounting the outboard motor."

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BIDDER QUESTIONS

Question 1: The Ribcraft 6.5 Professional is 6.5 meters in length. Would a 6.8 meter boat be considered?

Answer: Yes, if it met the specifications. Please see Notice to Bidders above.

Question 2: The vessels identified in the bid are of fibre glass hull construction. Our firm only does aluminum hulls. Is aluminum acceptable for a hull?

Answer: Aluminum is acceptable for a hull. Please see Notice to Bidders above.

Question 3: The bid documents state: "The bidder shall provide one copy of the following operations and maintenance documents for the following items (CD-ROM format is acceptable).

RHIBs / Hulls
Engines / Motors
Trailers"

AND "The bidder shall supply a minimum of one copy of all operations and maintenance documents of any component, accessory, or equipment supplied with each of the RHIBs."

Are these items required with our Bid/Proposal or are these items simply required at time of delivery?

Answer: These items would be required at time of delivery.

Question 4: The bid specifies:

The hulls shall have Heavy Duty 1670 dtx Hypalon or Equal tubes attached alongside the gunwales, constructed with a minimum of five chambers with four baffles separating them. Each chamber shall be equipped with a separate pressure relief valve.

Would you accept polyurethane tubes rather than Hypalon?

Answer: Polyurethane will be considered. Please see Notice to Bidders above.

Question 5: Is there a requirement for a T-top?

Answer: No.

Question 6: Is there a preference for a single or twin engine package?

Answer: No.

Question 7: Is there a preference for an engine manufacture?

Answer: No.

ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS REMAIN THE SAME.