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REQUEST FOR BIDS - Invitation to Bid

Purchase of One (1) Class 6/7 Refuse Hauler *

*special instructions for this RFB are outlined on page 2

ISSUED: Wednesday, March 31, 2021

BIDS DUE: Friday, April 16, 2021

SUBMITT PROPOSALS BY EMAILING

maria@sdevweb.org with “RFB – City of River Rouge” written in the subject line

Please read this document carefully and follow instructions so that you submit all necessary information and documentation needed to evaluate your bid(s).

Request for Quotes

Southwest Detroit Environmental Vision (SDEV) is requesting bids from suppliers for the purchase of one (1) **Class 6/7 Refuse Hauler** with U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) certified engine configurations that meet the current U.S. EPA emissions standards. The new truck to be procured will replace an older truck of similar specifications, owned, and operated by City of River Rouge - SDEV's Clean Diesel Initiative project partner.

About SDEV

Southwest Detroit Environmental Vision (SDEV) is a 501c3 nonprofit organization. Our mission is to improve the environment and strengthen the economy of Southwest Detroit. We work together with residents, community organizations, government agencies, schools, businesses, and industry to combat environmental issues, including air quality, blight (illegal dumping, graffiti, abandoned homes), and incompatible land use. Since 1991, SDEV has worked to draw resources to create projects that address these priorities issues. Learn more at www.sdevweb.org.

About the City of River Rouge

River Rouge is one of the seventeen Downriver Communities of Detroit. The City covers 2.65 square miles. The City is linked to Detroit in many ways; in addition to sharing a border, they are connected via two corridors: Jefferson Avenue, River Rouge's principal thoroughfare, and the Detroit River. River Rouge's recent history falls in line with many communities experiencing a decline in their traditional economic base. In its heyday, it was a productive, middle class suburb with ample opportunity. However, with the decline of manufacturing, job loss followed by population loss has spurred a negative feedback loop of housing vacancy falling into disrepair, vandalism, and reduced tax revenue. The DTE Energy Co.'s coal fired plant is scheduled to close by 2021, and the City will lose one-third of its tax revenue. While this signals another round of job shedding, some residents are also happy to see a major polluter leave.

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Project Background

SDEV was awarded grant funding through the US EPA National Clean Diesel Funding Assistance Program. This grant will provide funding to the City of River Rouge, to assist with purchasing one (1) Class 6/7 Refuse Hauler with an EPA certified engine configuration. The purpose of this project is to modernize fleet vehicles in the area to reduce diesel emissions.

Since 2008, SDEV has drawn grant funding from the U.S. EPA, the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ), and the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT). This grant funding, along with private company match dollars, has led to the reduction of well over 5,000+ tons of diesel pollution annually. Through SDEV's Clean Diesel Initiative, dozens of private and public organizations have cut emissions from their fleets through the replacement of trucks and buses, off-road and marine equipment. In addition, SDEV has assisted partners in retrofitting over 150 trucks with pollution controls and over 40 trucks with idle reduction technology.

Timeline

The following is the RFB and Award timeline:

03/31/2021 (Wednesday)	RFB Release Date
04/09/2020 (Friday)	Questions Due
04/16/2020 (Friday)	Bid Proposal Due @ 5pm
04/23/2020 (Friday)	Award Notification

RFB Specifications

The following specifications should be addressed in your proposal:

1. **Equipment cost:** The proposal should include the basic cost of truck(s), plus separate line items for any other parts needed to make the truck(s) operational.
2. **Additional Costs:** The proposal should also include the cost of any additional equipment for the truck(s), shipping costs, taxes, et cetera.
3. **Warranty:** Warranty information and additional costs for warranties should be specified, including terms and any items covered or not covered by the warranty. The vendor must certify whether vehicle and engine warranties will be affected by the installation of aftermarket equipment.
4. **Location:** Specify the dealer location, manufacturing location, and corporate headquarters location.
5. **Payment terms:** Bidders should specify payment terms and any payment or financing options for recipients considering pre-orders and or deposits.
6. **Match Contribution:** See below for details.
7. **Delivery timeline:** Bidder must state estimated delivery date from the time the order is placed. Delivery before June 2021 is mandatory.
8. **Truck Specs:** Please provide the most fuel-efficient diesel option.
9. **Additional Information:** Bidder may provide further information.
10. **Multiple Proposals:** Bidder may submit multiple proposals.
11. **Certificate of Conformity:** The bidder must demonstrate to SDEV that the trucks procured will produce cleaner-burning emissions than the old trucks being replaced by including the **U.S. EPA Certificate of Conformity** for the new engine with the bid proposal package.
12. **Bid Format:** It is preferable for bids to be submitted as one PDF document delivered by email to maria@sdevweb.org.

Requirements

In its proposal, the bidder must demonstrate compliance with the below requirements of the U.S. EPA grant or will be subject to immediate disqualification.

1. The selected manufacturer may not be on a state or Federal Suspension or Debarment list, nor be out of compliance with any federal or state environmental requirement.
2. Per Title 40 U.S. Code: labor performed under this contract must provide prevailing wages, and all contracted workplaces must adhere to the Drug-Free Workplace rules.
3. Manufacturers/suppliers must ensure that engine/equipment warranties remain in effect.

Questions (Equipment Inspection/Site Visit)

Bidders should complete all due diligence and engineering investigation prior to the closing of the solicitation period. *Please see attachment A for minimum tractor specifications.*

For questions regarding truck specifications, bidders should contact City of River Rouge directly:

Karl Laub, Community Development Director, City of River Rouge
734-624-6204 | KLaub@cityofriverrouge.org

Please direct all other questions to:

Maria Cercone, SDEV Clean Diesel Initiative Project Manager
313-842-1961 (ofc) | (cell) 586-648-8050 | maria@sdevweb.org

Grant Funding & Proposal Evaluation

The grant awarded to SDEV will provide partial funds as rebate for the cost of one refuse truck with the specifications outlined in Attachment A, appended to this RFB. Replacing the old truck with a new model will significantly reduce Particulate Matter, Nitrogen Oxides, Carbon Monoxide, and Hydrocarbons emitted from the older diesel engine in the truck being replaced. SDEV's goal is to reduce emissions from mobile equipment owned by its project partner, City of River Rouge.

The following criteria will be considered when evaluating the proposals:

- Cost Effectiveness
- Delivery Timeline
- RFB Specifications
- Grant Program Requirements

Minority Business and Woman Business Enterprise Goal Program

The following compliance procedures will be followed to ensure that contracts are awarded to MBE/WBE vendors that meet the proposal criteria:

- SDEV will take affirmative action to seek out both Minority and Women Business Enterprises to bid on the equipment specified.
- SDEV will submit names of the MBE and WBE vendors contacted, whether they responded with a bid, and the names, prices, and descriptions of the equipment provided by the proposed vendor.
- SDEV shall make good faith efforts to use MBE/WBE to replace another MBE/WBE unable to perform successfully.

Definitions

- **Minority Business Enterprise:** A minority business enterprise is defined as a company wherein minorities constitute active participation and ownership of over 50%. Minorities are defined as United States citizens who are members of the following groups of protected classes: Black, Hispanic, Oriental, Eskimo, and American Indians certified by the Indian Affairs Commission. These groups will have the power to make policy decisions in business and are involved in the company's day-to-day management.
- **Women Business Enterprise:** A women business enterprise is defined as a company wherein females constitute active participation in and ownership of 50%. The female owner will have the power to make policy decisions in business and are involved in the day-to-day management of the company.

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