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2024 PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING STANDBY GENERATOR RFP

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

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QUESTION #1: Will the contractor have to pay sales and use tax on this project?

ANSWER #1: The contractor will have to pay sales and use tax on the materials and supplies the contractor must purchase under the contract.

Please bid on this project assuming:

- 1. Sales and use tax exemption on the equipment that he Township has purchased under the RFP:
 - One owner-provided emergency rated natural gas generator (100kW).
 - One owner-provided service entrance rated ATS (800A).
 - One owner-provided rotary transfer switch.
 - One owner-provided ATS (400A)
- 2. No sales and use tax exemption for the materials and equipment that the contractor must purchase.

QUESTION #2: Is the contractor responsible for producing drawings and electrical plans as part this RFP/contract?

ANSWER #2: Yes, the contractor is responsible for all labor and engineering to complete drawings that are necessary for plan review and permitting. This is covered on page SP-2, item 6, which states:

"Permitting/Plan Review Fees: This pay item includes all necessary labor and engineering to complete drawings for plan review."

QUESTION #3: Questions regarding the gas meter and gas piping from contractors at the pre-bid meeting.

ANSWER #3: Yes, the contractor is responsible to provide gas piping to the generator. Based on the current code for natural gas piping, the contractor will need to confirm the gas pressure and requirements with the gas utility (i.e. Consumers Energy). The requirements are on the cut sheet of the generator. The generator will require a dedicated feed from the meter.

QUESTION #4: One contractor asked where the temporary generator could be placed during the changeover to the new generator.

ANSWER #4: Contractors could stage the temporary generator up in the grass on the east side of the building or in one of the carports closest to the building. The Township would have a slight preference for using a parking space in one of the carports closest to the building to mute the sound for employees working in the building, but we are open to understanding the needs and logistics of the contractor.

QUESTION #5: One contractor pointed out that the owner-provided emergency rated natural gas generator (100kW) only has one 400A breaker. A second breaker will be required in order to feed the owner-provided service entrance rated ATS (800A) and the owner-provided ATS (400A).

ANSWER #5: The Township asks that contractors bid the project such that they would work with Cummins to schedule the installation of the second breaker, but the Township would pay Cummins directly for their services.