



REQUEST FOR BID
RFB 2007-004 Region 4A

ADDENDUM NO. 1

To: Prospective Bidders

From: Llew F. Perry 
Cooperative Educational Services

Date: November 21, 2006

CES received the following questions regarding its RFB 2007-004 Region 4A on November 16, 2006. Please accept the following as CES' responses to the question asked.

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Question:

We are considering submitting a proposal for JOC services. In our experience, the ENR Consumer Price Index location adjustments are not necessarily representative of regional fluctuations of construction costs. As a matter of fact, it is based on a 20 City Index which does not include any Southwest Cities. We would like to request an alternative, nationally recognized escalation reference that establishes annual price adjustments? Our consideration for submittal greatly depends on this modification.

Background:

Michael Shiplet of The Gordian Group has communicated that they and the clients have used the ENR index for well over ten years. The ENR is representative of our area because the 20-city index includes Denver and Dallas, which are considered Southwest Cities. The ENR, contrary to what 3DI thinks is a great and fair tool to properly adjust the contractor's factor in the option years. Also for clarification purposes, the ENR does not publish a "Consumer Price Index". They publish the "Construction Cost Index" and

there is a difference between the two. Their New Mexico clients who have been using this method of adjustments include United States Postal Service, University of New Mexico, New Mexico State University, Albuquerque Public Schools and Los Alamos Public Schools, with six different contractors awarded.

RFB 2006-004 Region 4A, Section I: Instruction to Offerors, Item F: Listing of General Terms and Conditions, Page 32.

Term of Contract and Extension: The term of the agreement will commence on award and continue until January 5, 2008 unless terminated, canceled or extended. By mutual written agreement, the contract may be extended for Three (3) additional 12-month periods ending on January 5, 2009, January 5, 2010 and January 5, 2011. CES may require a vendor to respond to a new RFB rather than extend a contract secured under this RFB.

CES Response:

CES has made the following determination after reviewing the question and the past experience of The Gordian Group, their New Mexico clients and contractors. There has been no indication that the utilization of the ENR, to adjust awarded contractors bid factors, has caused any issues in the past. CES' solicitation's, terms and conditions allow the awarded contractor to reject CES' offer to extend the contract if the contractor determines the ENR adjustment of its factor to be inadequate.

Therefore no change and/or modification is required.

If you have any questions regarding this Addendum, please contact my office.

By dating, signing, and returning this page, the offeror acknowledges receipt of Addendum No. 1 for RFB 2007-004 Region 4A (Please place behind Tab 1 of your response).

Date: _____ Company Name (Print): _____

Printed Name: _____ Signature: _____