

IFB 23097 - Bidder Question Responses

#	Solicitation Document Name	Document Section (Name or No.)	Comment / Question / Bid Deviation	Response
1	IFB Main Document- General Inquiry	5.2 Awarding Process	As stated in Section 4.4 1a Pricing for each NYSDOT region has to be on a separate bidding sheet, even if being supplied from the same source. My question pertains to the Evaluation Process. We would like to know if there is any dispensation for having materials within 5 miles of four state entities for easy pick up. We have incurred a cost to transport that material to our secondary site as a convenience to the buyers off this contract. However, 40% of a \$10.00 per ton item is not enough to cover the transportation fees to the second site. Ultimately, it would cause the agencies to spend more money in trucking or delivery fees to obtain the items they need. For instance if the next closest bidder to the agency is 30 miles away, the delivery on that item could well be in excess of \$10.00 per ton. If our FOB price were \$5.00 per ton more than our competitors due to delivery from our source in another region, we would in essence be saving the agency \$5.00 per ton. We have not been successful on some items simply for this reason and unfairly costing the taxpayers more money to obtain the same products. We shall not even mention the additional time and cost if an Agency truck were to go to the next closest bidder to pick up.	OGS declines to make the requested changes. Awards will be made pursuant to Section 5.2 of Invitation for Bids 23097 (Revised December 8, 2017).
2	Attachment 11	Abrasive A: Gradation Analysis	We are approved for 703-01 and 703-02 on the NYS DOT website do we also need gradation analysis for abrasives A?	No. Pursuant to Attachment 10 – Detailed Specifications (Revised December 8, 2017), section titled Certification and Gradation Analysis; Bidder is not required to submit a current gradation analysis for Abrasive A if the proposed source meets the requirements of 703-01, Fine Aggregate, and appears on the current Approved List of Fine and Coarse Aggregates which is published on the NYSDOT website, www.nysdot.gov .

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3	Attachment 12	Abrasive B: Gradation Analysis	We are approved for 703-01 and 703-02 on the NYS DOT website do we also need gradation analysis for abrasives B?	No. Pursuant to Attachment 10 – Detailed Specifications (Revised December 8, 2017), section titled Certification and Gradation Analysis; Bidder is not required to submit a current gradation analysis for Abrasive B if the proposed source meets the requirements of 703-01, Fine Aggregate, and appears on the current Approved List of Fine and Coarse Aggregates which is published on the NYSDOT website, www.nysdot.gov .
4	Attachment 01 – Pricing	Item 703-01 Fine Aggregate	What gradation or type of sand are we to be pricing?	<p>Invitation for Bids 23097 (Revised December 8, 2017) has been revised to remove Item 703-01 Fine Aggregate.</p> <p>Fine Aggregate is an umbrella term that covers natural and manufactured sand items (703-03 Mortar Sand, 703-04 Grout Sand, 703-06 Cushion Sand, 703-07 Concrete Sand).</p> <p>Bidders should refer to the revised Attachment 01 – Pricing (Revised December 8, 2017), Attachment 10 – Detailed Specifications (Revised December 8, 2017) and Invitation for Bids 23097 (Revised December 8, 2017) for further details on the revisions.</p>

5	Attachment 09 – NYSDOT Approved Source Certificate		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Who do we send this document to for verification and signatures? 2. Are we required to send this form out for signature for each quarry location? 	<p>Attachment 09 – NYSDOT Approved Source Certificate is only required when a Bidder does not own, or lease, or manage and control a NYSDOT approved source. See Invitation for Bids 23097 (Revised December 8, 2017) Section 2, Bidder Qualifications.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. If an Attachment 09 – NYSDOT Approved Source Certificate, is required, Bidder shall send an Attachment 09 – NYSDOT Approved Source Certificate, to each NYSDOT approved source from whom Bidder is receiving the materials bid. 2. If Bidder must submit an Attachment 09 – NYSDOT Approved Source Certificate, then Bidder must submit an Attachment 09 – NYSDOT Approved Source Certificate, for each NYSDOT approved source from whom Bidder is receiving the materials bid. If a Bidder is bidding multiple regions from one NYSDOT approved source, the Bidder only needs to submit one Attachment 09 – NYSDOT Approved Source Certificate, from that NYSDOT approved source. However, if a Bidder is receiving materials from multiple NYSDOT approved sources, the Bidder must submit an Attachment 09 – NYSDOT Approved Source Certificate, from each NYSDOT approved source.
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