

IFB 23291 - Bidder Question Responses

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1	General	N/A	Is it possible to bid optional items without submitting a bid for a material item?	<p>The answer is no.</p> <p><i>Section 1.2 – Scope of the Invitation for Bids document</i> states that “for the purpose of this Solicitation each Lot contains items that are “optional Items”, all other items are “material items” (refer to Attachment 10 – General Specifications for a more detailed explanation). In order to bid optional items within a Lot, Bidder must bid at least one material item within that same Lot. Bids for optional items (e.g., paver, cold milling, equipment, Work Zone Traffic Control, abrading existing pavement markings, additional flaggers, general laborers, joint adhesive, polymer modification, polymer fibers, and additional construction signs) are voluntary. Subject to the foregoing, Bidders may bid on as few or as many Lots or Items within a Lot as they choose. Bidders are not required to bid on all Lots or all Items within a Lot.</p> <p>Also, <i>Section 1.6 – Evaluation Process of the Invitation for Bids document</i> states that “Any bid (set of prices) for a specific plant location that only contains bid pricing for “Optional Items” will be rejected and will not be given an award.”</p>

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2	General	N/A	<p>If a bidder’s plant is located in a region other than where most of their work is performed is it necessary to submit a bid for both the region where their plant is located and the region where the work is being performed?</p>	<p>A bidder shall only submit one bid for the region where the plant is located. “If a Bidder is submitting Bids from different plants, one separate Attachment 1 – Pricing labeled as “YOUR COMPANY NAME – LOCATION” will be required for each plant.”</p> <p>Section 1.8 – Purchase Outside Region of Attachment 10– <i>General Specifications</i> states, <u>“Authorized Users will be able to purchase from any contractor included in the resulting award from this Invitation for Bids. There are no purchasing restrictions by NYSDOT Region or by County when selecting a contractor.”</u> The Authorized Users should consider all the closest listed awardees located in their county and all the counties around them (<u>including the surrounding counties that fall in a different NYSDOT Region</u>) before sending the Quick Quote Form.</p>
3	<p>Invitation for Bids #23291 Main Document</p>	<p>Section 2 Bidder Qualifications</p>	<p>The Bidder Qualifications section states that “the bidder must own, or lease, or manage and control a facility adequate for and devoted to the manufacture of the item(s) which it proposes to furnish.”</p> <p>Our company manufactures a cold patch item and sells through distribution, so normally it would be our distributors submitting a bid.</p> <p>Would that mean that our distributor would not qualify, and therefore our company would have to submit a bid directly?</p>	<p>Yes. If the distributor “<i>doesn’t own, lease or manage and control a facility adequate for and devoted for the manufacture of the item(s) which it proposes to furnish</i>”, then such distributor would not meet the bidder qualifications for IFB #23291.</p>

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4	Invitation for Bids #23291 Main Document	Section 6.5 Quick Quote	Will the Cold Milling bid items be included on the Asphalt Mix Quick Quote form?	Yes, the Production Cold Milling and Production Cold Micromilling items (with their different options) will be included on the Quick Quote form.
5	Attachment 10 General Specifications	Section 1.3 Minimum Order	We see that there is a minimum callout for 500 Tons of asphalt, but we do not see any minimum square yards for the milling machine. If we could clarify the minimum callout for a milling machine, please.	<i>Attachment 10 – General Specifications (Revised 11/29/2022), Section 1.3 – Minimum Order has been revised to include a minimum order of 5,000 Square Yards of Production Cold Milling or Production Cold Micromilling.</i>
6	Attachment 10 General Specifications	Section 1.7 Pricing	In the Production Cold Milling with Hauling and Disposal by the Authorized User option, does this include a "pickup sweeper" and power broom and absolutely no cleaning will be required by the Contractor?	<i>Attachment 10 – General Specifications (Revised 11/29/2022), Section 1.7 – Pricing has been revised to show that <u>"the contractor will be responsible for the project clean-up including sweeping milled surfaces"</u>, under any option. As such, bid pricing should include this cost. <i>Attachment 1 – Pricing (Revised 11/29/2022) and Attachment 12 – Detailed Specifications Cold Milling / Cold Micromilling (Revised 11/29/2022) have also been revised to show those changes.</i></i>

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7	Attachment 10 General Specifications	Section 1.9 Transportation (Hauling)	Should mileage be calculated one way or round trip?	<p>Mileage should be calculated one-way. <u>Once the material is delivered, hauling charges no longer apply.</u></p> <p><i>Attachment 10 – General Specifications Section 1.9 – Transportation (Hauling) and 1.9.1 – Example Transportation (Hauling) states, “When utilizing Transportation (Hauling), price shall be FOB destination as designated by ordering agency.”</i></p> <p>As such, FOB "Free on board" means that the seller is responsible for the hauling and retains ownership until delivered.</p>
8	Attachment 10 General Specifications	Section 1.14 Superpave Mix Items	<p>Does OGS/DOT have expectations of what is patching vs. mainline as mentioned in Section 1.14 – Superpave Mix Items?</p> <p>If not, who makes the determination?</p>	<p>The understanding is that patching items will not be used on the mainline or shoulders for paving projects.</p> <p>Once the Contract is in place, the Authorized User should make clear what items are being requested and for what purpose. This will be done within the Quick Quote form the Authorized User sends to the Contractors, during the Quick Quote process (refer to <i>Invitation for Bids #23291- Section 6.5 – Quick Quote</i> for more information about this process).</p>

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9	Attachment 10 General Specifications	Section 1.18 Production Cold Milling and Production Cold Micromilling Equipment	Will Work Zone Traffic Control and necessary laborers be paid separately under their own optional items?	Yes, Work Zone Traffic Control and necessary Laborers for the Production Cold Milling and Production Cold Micromilling jobs will be selected and paid under their own optional items and should not be included within the Production Cold Milling and Production Cold Micromilling bid pricing.
10	Attachment 13 Asphalt Mix Group Specifications #945	Miscellaneous Asphalt Patching Material Materials Section Notes	Can Miscellaneous Patching be 64S-22 HMA temp 100% as it reads in Notes #5?	Yes, 64S-22 can be used.
11	Attachment 13 Asphalt Mix Group Specifications #945	Miscellaneous Asphalt Patching Material Materials Section Notes	Would it be possible to add a note similar to note # 5 under Table 1 page 6 for allowing the use of conventional asphalt binder if warm mix modified binder is not available for a 19 and /or 25 mm?	OGS declines to make any additions to the notes at this time. There is no option for 19 mm or 25 mm to be used as patching.