THIS ADDENDUM IS TO: Answer the following Question:

Q1. We just received addendum #2 on item A3 54-01-001 it states the case weight is 17.5lbs? On the original bid form it claims the case weight is 22lbs.? Are you changing the minimum case weight to 17.5lbs for line 54-01-001?

A1. Since case weights can vary from product to product, we will no longer include a case weight minimum in our bid specifications since we test every sample submitted to ensure that the awarded bags are durable and strong enough to meet our needs. Accordingly, we are changing all three plastic bag liner specifications as follows:

Item 54-01-001
CLEAR PLASTIC LINER: 30x36 1.25 MIL. FOR 30 GALLON CONTAINERS, LLDP, HEAVY DUTY, STAR-SEAL BOTTOM, FYI: LLDP= LINEAR LOW DENSITY POLYETHYLENE. THIS IS A STRONGER PLASTIC. 250 COUNT PER CASE. SAMPLE REQUIRED.

Item 54-01-005
CLEAR PLASTIC LINER: 38x60 2.0 MIL. FOR 60 GALLON CONTAINERS, LLDP, HEAVY DUTY FLAT DOUBLE SEAL BOTTOM. 100 COUNT PER CASE. SAMPLE REQUIRED.

Item 54-01-010
CLEAR PLASTIC LINER: 60x32x38 2.0 MIL. FOR HAMPERS, HEAVY DUTY, FLAT DOUBLE SEAL BOTTOM. 100 COUNT PER CASE. FOR SOUTH HIGH SCHOOL ONLY. SAMPLE REQUIRED.

All other terms and conditions of this bid remain unchanged.

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Thank you.

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March 9, 2015

ADDENDUM #2

INVITATION FOR BID #15-69

SUPPLY AND DELIVER CUSTODIAL SUPPLIES
TO THE NEWTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

THIS ADDENDUM IS TO: Answer the following Questions:

Q1. Can we call UPS at our expense and pick up a sample of each bag currently being used?
   A1. YES, you can email: cindy_brown@newton.k12.ma.us to coordinate a pick-up.

Q2. Can you supply us with the award pricing and winning vendor(s) from the last bid?
   A2. YES, you can email: cindy_brown@newton.k12.ma.us to submit this request.

Q3. Regarding the garbage bags, can you provide us with the following information: what thickness, case count (liners per case) and case weight (lbs. per case) was purchased for each of these bags?
   A3. 54-01-001 1.25 mil thick, 250 liners per case, 17.5 lbs. per case
       54-01-005 2 mil thick, 100 liners per case, 30.5 lbs. per case
       54-01-010 2 mil thick, 100 liners per case, 56 lbs. per case

Q4. Can you confirm how many locations would be expecting delivery?
   A4. There are 22 locations, all at schools in Newton, MA.

Q5. Is there a loading dock and pallet jack at the location(s) to assist with unloading?
   A5. Most locations do not have loading docks or pallet jacks. Of our 22 school buildings, only 3 have loading docks and of those, only the two high schools have pallet jacks. Please note that this bid spells out that pricing is to include inside delivery.

Q6. Will this be awarded by line item, a whole or by section?
   A6. This will be awarded by Grand Total in Category A and by Line Item in Category B.

Q7. Item #54-01-005 what’s the quantity of cases? 107 cases or 1076 cases?
   A7. We estimate the quantity of 1,076 cases containing 100 plastic bags per case.

Q8. Item 51-06-006 We do not carry Peladow but we have another calcium chloride ice melt. Can I price that one?
   A8. Yes, although our bid asks for Peladow - No Substitutes we will accept bids for approved equal products from vendors as long as they meet our bid specifications.

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ADDENDUM #1

INVITATION FOR BID #15-69

SUPPLY AND DELIVER CUSTODIAL SUPPLIES
TO THE NEWTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

THIS ADDENDUM IS TO: Answer the following Questions:

Q1. The first question is item # 51-02-017 and 51-02-018 Both descriptions state (Disposable Nitrile gloves- 100% Latex). Are you looking for Latex or Nitrile gloves? Both Latex and Nitrile are different materials.

A1. We are looking for Nitrile gloves powder free only. We cannot use latex material in our schools. This description was incorrect. Thank you for alerting us to it.

Q2. The other question is all the paper in this bid is proprietary Brands, would you be open to Equal or higher quality products but are not the proprietary brands? They will need new dispensers but can be supplied by the bidder and installed at no charge? This would open the bid up to many more cost effective and competitive products and a more aggressive bidding that will lower costs on these items. The Paper system that is on the bid is an out of date system and there are many other cost effective systems that could be put in place of this.

A2. We are continuing with our existing paper and dispensers for this coming fiscal year 2016. We will, however, explore other options before next year’s annual bid and may change our bid list accordingly.

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