



Addendum #1

ITB # 08-22: Natural Gas Distribution Main & Service Line Locating Services 2/18/2022

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following addendum serves to provide clarification and to answer the questions received on ITB # 08-22: Natural Gas Distribution Main & Service Line Locating Services.

Clarification 1: Section B, Service Requirements, Sub-section ii. Reading this is leading us to believe that the locating vendor must contact and obtain approval for all emergency located requests.

Answer to Clarification 1: Approval is required for emergency locate services outside of non-business hours.

Question 1: The bid identifies that the Gas and Propane are on GIS maps but also identifies paper maps. Please identify what the paper maps would be required to be used on?

Answer to Question 1: The City does not require paper maps to be used and the use of paper maps will be at the discretion of the Vendor. Per Section B. SERVICE REQUIREMENTS (v), maps will be provided online and in paper copy format.

Question 2: Does the plastic [pipe] all have tracer wire?

Answer to Question 2: While all plastic pipe should have tracer wire installed, Vendor should make allowances where tracer wire discontinuity is possible. Refer to Section B. SERVICE REQUIREMENTS (xv) & (xvi).

Question 3: If the Plastic [pipe] doesn't have tracer wire, how is the plant now being marked or is the locating vendor turning back those type of tickets?

Answer to Question 3: Refer to Section B. SERVICE REQUIREMENTS (xi) & (xv).

Question 4: [Regarding Hand Shovel or Vacuum Excavate when segments are difficult to locate, repair broken wire segments] How many times did your current vendor have to vacuum excavate?

Answer to Question 4: The current vendor has not used vacuum excavation during the term of the current contract.

Question 5: [Regarding Hand Shovel or Vacuum Excavate when segments are difficult to locate, repair broken wire segments] Did your vendor charge additional for the vacuum excavation work? If so, what was the fee they charged the city?

Answer to Question 5: Reference Answer to Question 4 above.

Question 6: [Regarding Hand Shovel or Vacuum Excavate when segments are difficult to locate, repair broken wire segments] Will the locating vendor be required to repair the tracer wire if under the hard surface of a road?



Answer to Question 6: *The Vendor will not be responsible for repairing tracer wire that is under a road or hard surface but should notify the CGS designated representative(s) to make them aware. However, if the road or hard surface is already open due to other ongoing work then the Vendor is expected to repair the wire. A road will not be cut into for the sole purpose of wire repairs.*

Question 7: [Regarding Hand Shovel or Vacuum Excavate when segments are difficult to locate, repair broken wire segments] If your vendor has had to excavate and repair the tracer wire in the road, how many times last year did they have to cut into the road to make the repair?

Answer to Question 7: *Reference Answer to Question 6 above.*

Question 8: [Regarding Hand Shovel or Vacuum Excavate when segments are difficult to locate, repair broken wire segments] How many times did your vendor have to repair the tracer wire?

Answer to Question 8: *The current vendor has not had to repair tracer wire during the term of the current contract.*

Question 9: How Many times in the past year did you charge your current vendor the Liquidated Damage Fee?

Answer to Question 9: *The City has not charged the current vendor the Liquidated Damage Fee. However, the current vendor has been charged for damages resulting from failure to accurately complete a locate ticket within the scope as outlined in this solicitation.*

Question 10: [On the Bid Pricing Page regarding Other Services Pricing and Quarter Hour Rate] Please identify how and what services would fall into each of these sections?

Answer to Question 10: *Reference BID PRICING form, page 28.*

Question 11: Please provide clarity on how your current vendor is applying these charges for Other Services Pricing and Quarter Hour Rate?

Answer to Question 11: *The other services pricing and quarter hour rate is typically used when the locate ticket is excessive or part of a large project that requires frequent trips to complete the locate ticket.*

Question 12: What are the current rates for a regular request?

Answer to Question 12: *Our current vendor Olameter DPG charges \$9.48 for each regular request locate ticket.*

Question 13: What are the current rates for a short notice request?

Answer to Question 13: *The City currently pays \$9.48 for each short notice request locate ticket.*

Question 14: What are the current rates for an emergency request?

Answer to Question 14: *The City currently pays \$9.48 for each emergency request locate ticket.*

Question 15: What are the current rates for the hourly and quarter-hourly rates?



Answer to Question 15: The City pays \$45.00 for initial hour and \$11.25 per quarter hour.

End of Questions and Answers

All other dates and terms and conditions remain the same in this Invitation to Bid.

End of Addenda