



State of Alaska
Department of Environmental Conservation
Village Safe Water Program

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To: Vendor List

Re: Amendment 5
ITB 27-VSW-KMO-003
Manokotak Backup Generators Replacement
ITB Due Date: August 7, 2026 @ 2:00 PM AST

The following are vendor questions and the department's response:

1. Vendor: My primary concern is that the bid remains valid for 120 days after the bid opening. If Alternate No. 1 is awarded, the specified portable generator will need to be transported by barge due to its overall dimensions—approximately 13 feet long by 5 feet 8 inches wide by 8 feet high. The 8-foot height is the biggest transportation concern and significantly limits the available shipping options.

To meet the available barge schedule, the successful bidder would need to be under contract and have the generator submittal approved no later than September 5. However, the bid award process could take up to 40 days, which would place the award date at approximately September 9. This would already be after the September 5 deadline, before accounting for the additional time required to execute the contract, prepare, and submit the generator submittal, complete the review process, and obtain final approval.

We have also investigated whether the portable generator could be partially disassembled to reduce its height enough to transport it by aircraft. However, disassembling the unit may void the manufacturer's warranties. We have contacted the manufacturer for clarification, but they have not yet responded.

Any delay in the award, contract execution, or submittal approval could result in missing the available barge window and may significantly affect the project schedule and transportation costs.

Department: Additive Alternative 1 shall have the following sperate completion dates from the base bid:

- Substantial completion: 8/31/2027
- Final completion: 9/30/2027

Bidders shall incorporate these dates into their bid package.

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