STATE OF ALASKA RFP NUMBER 2015-0800-2959 AMENDMENT NUMBER 2



Department of Commerce, Community & Economic Development
Division of Administrative Services
P.O. Box 110803
Juneau, Alaska 99811-0803
333 Willoughby Ave. 9th Floor S.O.B.
Juneau, Alaska 99801

THIS IS NOT AN ORDER

DATE AMENDMENT ISSUED: February 26, 2015

RFP TITLE: Insurance Form Filings and Actuarial Services

AMENDMENT 2

THERE IS NO CHANGE TO THE RFP PROPOSAL RECEIPT DEADLINE: Proposals must be time and date stamped by the issuing office no later than 2:00 PM, Alaska Standard Time on Friday March 20, 2015. An offeror's failure to submit its proposal prior to the deadline will cause the proposal to be disqualified. Late proposals or amendments will not be opened or accepted for evaluation.

IMPORTANT NOTE TO BIDDERS: In order for your proposal to be considered responsive, this amendment, in addition to your proposal and all other required documents, must be signed, dated, and included in your proposal. All other sections of the RFP remain the same.

Shawn M. Olsen
Procurement Specialist
PHONE: 907- 465-5440
FAX: 907- 465-5441
TDY: Alaska Relay - 711
SIGNATURE DATE

STATE OF ALASKA RFP NUMBER 2015-0800-2959 AMENDMENT NUMBER 2

The following question has been asked and answered:

- Q: 1) The State may find that few firms have both the required forms and rates expertise, but several have one or the other. It would, therefore, seem that the State's options would be significantly expanded if it were to consider retaining two firms to provide the services that it seeks. Would the State also consider firms proposing to provide only one of the services? Alternatively, would the State consider allowing a firm to subcontract with another firm in order to provide both services e.g., a firm with rate review expertise subcontracting with a firm to provide the forms expertise?
 - 2) The State may also find that many prospective offerors have potential conflicts (i.e., where a consulting firm may provide services to one or more of the insurance carriers that are the subjects of rate or form filing reviews). We are aware that a number of states that outsource their rate filing reviews have a back-up consultant should such conflicts arise. Would the State consider retaining two or more firms to provide the requested services a primary vendor(s) and a secondary vendor(s)?
- A: 1) The state does not believe that it would be efficient or cost effective to divide the required services by retaining multiple firms or allowing certain portions of the services to be provided by a subcontractor. In limited circumstances, such as an emergency that were to occur during the term of the contract, the state might allow actuarial work to be subcontracted out for a very short period of time. That would be the extent of the subcontracting allowed.
 - 2) The state might consider retaining a secondary vendor(s) but if we were to do so that would be a request for proposal advertising such.