

REBID
NEW HANOVER COUNTY
REQUEST FOR BIDS
PRE-POSITIONED FUEL
RFB # 22-0593



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Section 1 – Readvertisement

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Bids addressed to Sara Warmuth, Chief Facilities Officer, 200 Division Drive, Wilmington, NC 28401 and marked “**RFB # 22-0593 REBID - PRE-POSITIONED FUEL**” will be accepted until **3:00 P.M. EST, Friday, July 1, 2022.**

New Hanover County is requesting proposal for the purchase of REBID - Pre-Positioned Fuel services including fuel and fuel delivery to generator sites. Services are requested to be utilized in the event of an emergency for the duration of the emergency. A reliable supply of diesel fuel and unleaded gasoline is essential during an emergency to ensure New Hanover County’s ability to sustain services to residents.

Bids may also be emailed to: swarmuth@nhcgov.com. Deadline for receipt of Bids via email is **3:00 P.M. EST, Friday, July 1, 2022.**

Instructions for submitting bids and complete requirements and information may be obtained by visiting the County’s website at <https://finance.nhcgov.com/purchasing-solicitation/open-and-closed-bids/> or by contacting Sara Warmuth at swarmuth@nhcgov.com.

New Hanover County reserves the right to accept or reject any or all Bids and to make the Award which will be in the best interest of the County.

Released: June 22, 2022

Section 2 – Instructions and General Conditions

2.1 – Schedule

| Date | Action |
|----------------------------------|--|
| June 22, 2022 | RFB Reissued |
| Monday, June 27, 2022 at 10:00am | Deadline for questions. All questions must be submitted in writing to Sara Warmuth, Chief Facilities Officer (swarmuth@nhcgov.com). |
| Monday, June 27, 2022 | Questions will be answered via written addendum. |
| Friday, July 1, 2022, at 3:00pm | Deadline for receipt of bids. |

2.2 – Preparation of Bid

2.2.1 Bidders are instructed to submit their bid in a sealed envelope clearly marked “**RFB # 22-0593 REBID - PRE-POSITIONED FUEL**” Bids may also be emailed to: swarmuth@nhcgov.com.

2.2.2 The bid shall be submitted by **3:00 P.M. EST, Friday, July 1, 2022**, and addressed to:

New Hanover County
Facilities Management
Attn: Sara Warmuth, Chief Facilities Officer
200 Division Drive
Wilmington, NC 28401

Or Send your Bid via email to: swarmuth@nhcgov.com

2.2.3 **Completion of Bid Form (Price Sheet):** Bidders are expected to examine the specifications herein, the schedule and all instructions. Failure to do so will be at the bidder’s risk. Each bidder shall furnish the information required on the price sheet and exhibits(s). Bids **must** be submitted on the price sheet contained in this bid package. Bids submitted that are not on the attached price sheet and exhibits will be rejected. **BIDS NOT SIGNED WILL BE DEEMED NONRESPONSIVE AND REJECTED.**

All prices and notations shall be written in ink or typed. Discrepancies between words and numerals will be resolved in favor of words.

Changes or corrections made in the bid must be initialed by the individual signing the bid. No corrections will be permitted once bids have been opened.

2.2.4 No telephone or facsimile bids will be considered. Bids received after the time and date for closing will not be considered.

2.3 – Site Visit

There will be no pre-bid meeting and/or site visit.

2.4 – Questions

Questions concerning the specifications in this Request for Bids (RFB) should be directed to the Sara Warmuth, Chief Facilities Officer at swarmuth@nhcgov.com. Questions will be received until **Monday, June 27, 2022, at 10am**. An addendum summarizing all questions and answers will be posted to the County's website. Bidders who have notified the County of their intent to submit a bid along with the email address will be sent the addendum upon posting.

2.5 – Communication

Bidders may not have communications, verbal or otherwise, concerning this RFB with any personnel or boards from New Hanover County, other than the person listed in this section which is Sara Warmuth, Chief Facilities Officer email swarmuth@nhcgov.com. If any vendor attempts any unauthorized communication, the bid may be rejected.

2.6 – Intent to Submit

All Bidders who intend to submit a bid on this project should send an email to swarmuth@nhcgov.com including pertinent contact information. Upon receipt of this notification, most recent building plan will be shared with you, if desired. This will also ensure that you receive any addenda issued for this RFB; if applicable.

2.7 - Cost of Preparation of Response

Costs incurred by prospective Bidders in the preparation of the response to this Request for Bids are the responsibility of the Bidder and will not be reimbursed by The County.

2.8 – Bid Opening

Bids will not be opened publicly. The bid deadline is **Friday, July 1, 2022, at 3:00 pm**.

2.9 – Award

Award “shall be made to the lowest responsive responsible bidder taking into consideration quality, performance, and the time specified in the bid for the performance of the contract.”

The County may also consider other factors such as past performance, financial stability, and availability of equipment in the consideration of award.

2.10 - Execution of Agreement

The successful Bidder will be required to enter into a formal agreement that is consistent with the bid requirements outlined within. The successful Bidder to whom the Contract is awarded by the County shall within five (5) business days after notice of award and receipt of Agreement from the County, sign and deliver to the County all required copies of said Agreement.

2.11 – Ownership of Documents

All bids and accompanying documentation will become the property of New Hanover County at the time the bids are opened and as such will not be returned to the bidder.

2.12 - Trade Secret Confidentiality

Upon receipt of your bid by New Hanover County, your bid is considered a public record except for material which qualifies as "trade secret" under N.C. General Statute 132-1.2. After opening, your bid will be provided to County staff and others who participate in the evaluation process, and to members of the general public who submit public records requests.

To properly designate material as trade secret under these circumstances, each Bidder must take the following precautions: (a) any trade secrets submitted by a Bidder must be submitted in a separate, sealed envelope marked "Trade Secret - Confidential and Proprietary Information - Do Not Disclose Except for the Purpose of Evaluating This Bid," and (b) the same trade secret/confidentiality designation must be stamped on each page of the trade secret materials contained in the envelope.

Do not attempt to designate your entire Bid as a trade secret, and do not attempt to designate pricing information as a trade secret. Doing so will result in your Bid being disqualified.

In submitting a Bid, each Bidder agrees that the County may reveal any trade secret materials contained in such response to all County staff and County officials involved in the selection process, and to any outside consultant or other third parties who assist the County in the selection process. Furthermore, each Bidder agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the County and each of its officers, employees, and agents from all costs, damages, and expenses incurred in connection with refusing to disclose any material, which the Bidder has designated as a trade secret.

2.13 - Withdrawal of Bids

Bidders may withdraw or withdraw and resubmit their bid at any time prior to the closing time for receipt of bids. NO bid may be withdrawn after the scheduled closing time for receipt of bids for a period of ninety (90) days.

2.14 - Equal Opportunity

The non-discrimination clause contained in Section 202 (Federal) Executive Order 11246, as amended by Executive Order 11375, relative to Equal Employment Opportunity for all persons without regard to race, color, religion, sex or national origin, and the implementing rules and regulations prescribed by the Secretary of Labor, are incorporated herein.

The Bidder agrees not to discriminate against any employees or applicant for employment because of physical or mental handicap in regard to any position for which the employees or applicant is qualified. The Bidder agrees to take affirmative action to employ, advance in employment and otherwise treat qualified handicapped individuals without discrimination based upon their physical or mental handicap in all employment practices.

Pursuant to GS 143-48, New Hanover County encourages small, minority, physically handicapped, and women firms to submit bids in response to this RFB.

2.15- Indemnity

The successful Bidder shall indemnify and hold the County, its agents and employees, harmless against any and all claims, demands, causes of action, or other liability, including attorney fees, on account of personal injuries or death or on account of property damages arising out of or relating to the work to be performed by the Successful Bidder hereunder, resulting from the negligence of or the willful act or omission of the Bidder, his agents, employees and subcontractors.

2.16 – E-Verify

Pursuant to Session Law 2013-418, Contractor shall fully comply with the U.S. Department of Homeland Security employee legal status E-Verify requirements for itself and all its subcontractors. County requires an affidavit attesting to Contractor's compliance. Violation of the provision, unless timely cured, shall constitute a breach of contract.

2.17 - Insurance

Before commencing any work, the Bidder shall procure insurance in the Bidder's name and maintain all insurance policies for the duration of the contract of the types and in the amounts listed in this Agreement. The insurance shall provide coverage against claims for injuries to persons or damages to property which may arise from operations or in connection with the performance of the work hereunder by the Bidder, his agents, representatives, employees, or subcontractors, whether such operations are done by himself/herself or anyone directly or indirectly employed by him/her.

Limits of insurance required are detailed in the attached Draft Contract.

2.18 - Addendum

The bid package constitutes the entire set of instructions to the bidder. The County shall not be responsible for any other instructions, verbal or written, made by anyone. Any changes to the specifications will be in the form of an Addendum which will be sent to all known Bidders who are listed with the Finance Office and posted on the County's website.

You may visit our website at <https://finance.nhcgov.com/purchasing-solicitation/open-and-closed-bids/>, or email swarmuth@nhcgov.com to check for the issuance of any addenda before submitting your bid.

2.19 - Compliance with Bid Requirements

Failure to comply with these provisions or any other provisions of the General Statutes of North Carolina will result in rejection of bid/bid.

2.20- Successful Bidder

The successful Bidder who is not currently registered as a vendor in the County's vendor database will be required to register. Please visit the County's website at [Vendor Self Service \(munisselfservice.com\)](http://munisselfservice.com). For questions, contact David Maurizzi at 910-798-7192 or email dmaurizzi@nhcgov.com.

2.21 – Federal Uniform Guidance

If the source of funds for this contract is federal funds, the following federal provisions apply pursuant to 2 C.F.R. § 200.326 and 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Appendix II (as applicable): Equal Employment Opportunity (41 C.F.R. Part 60); Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. 3141-3148); Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act (40 U.S.C. 3145); Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 3701-3708); Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q.) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1251-1387); Debarment and Suspension (Executive Orders 12549 and 12689); Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment (31 U.S.C. 1352); Procurement of Recovered Materials (2 C.F.R. § 200.322); and Record Retention Requirements (2CFR § 200.324); Domestic Preference Clause (2 C.F.R. 200.322) and Prohibition on Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment. **Refer to Section 3 for Complete Details.**

2.22– Estimated Activation Period

The Bidder shall be prepared to sign a contract within five (5) business days of bid award. Services must begin within ten (10) days of receipt of the fully executed contract and either purchase order or notice to proceed, and to continue until services are completed.

2.23– Term and Time/Completion Schedule

Work will commence upon issuance of a purchase order or notice to proceed and will continue until services are completed. All work must be completed prior to June 30, 2023.

2.24 - Right to Reject Bids

New Hanover County reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids and to make the award which will be most advantageous to the County.

2.25 – Draft Contract

A draft contract is attached for review by the Bidder.

Section 3 – Federal Uniform Guidance Requirements

- I. Contracts for more than the simplified acquisition threshold, which is the inflation adjusted amount determined by the Civilian Agency Acquisition Council and the Defense Acquisition Regulations Council (Councils) as authorized by 41 U.S.C. 1908, must address administrative, contractual, or legal remedies in instances where contractors violate or breach contract terms, and provide for such sanctions and penalties as appropriate.
- II. All contracts in excess of \$10,000 must address termination for cause and for convenience by the non-Federal entity including the manner by which it will be effected and the basis for settlement.
- III. Equal Employment Opportunity. Except as otherwise provided under 41 CFR Part 60, all contracts that meet the definition of “federally assisted construction contract” in 41 CFR Part 60-1.3 must include the equal opportunity clause provided under 41 CFR 60-1.4(b), in accordance with Executive Order 11246, “Equal Employment Opportunity” (30 FR 12319, 12935, 3 CFR Part, 1964-1965 Comp., p. 339), as amended by Executive Order 11375, “Amending Executive Order 11246 Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity,” and implementing regulations at 41 CFR part 60, “Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor.”
- IV. Access to Records. The following access to records requirements apply to this contract:
 - a. The Contractor agrees to provide County, the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their authorized representatives access to any books, documents, papers, and records of the Contractor which are directly pertinent to this contract for the purposes of making audits, examinations, excerpts, and transcriptions.
 - b. The Contractor agrees to permit any of the foregoing parties to reproduce by any means whatsoever or to copy excerpts and transcriptions as reasonably needed.
 - c. The Contractor agrees to provide the federal agency or its authorized representatives access to construction or other work sites pertaining to the work being completed under the contract.
 - d. The County and the Contractor acknowledge and agree that no language in this contract is intended to prohibit audits or internal reviews by the Federal Agency Administrator or the Comptroller General of the United States.
- V. Davis-Bacon Act, as amended (40 U.S.C. 3141-3148). When required by Federal program legislation, all prime construction contracts in excess of \$2,000 awarded by non-Federal entities must include a provision for compliance with the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. 3141-3144, and 3146-3148) as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5, “Labor Standards Provisions Applicable to Contracts Covering Federally Financed and Assisted Construction”). In accordance with the statute, contractors must be required to pay wages to laborers and mechanics at a rate not less than the prevailing wages specified in a wage determination made by the Secretary of Labor. In addition, contractors must be required to

pay wages not less than once a week. The non-Federal entity must place a copy of the current prevailing wage determination issued by the Department of Labor in each solicitation. The decision to award a contract or subcontract must be conditioned upon the acceptance of the wage determination. The non-Federal entity must report all suspected or reported violations to the Federal awarding agency. The contracts must also include a provision for compliance with the Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act (40 U.S.C. 3145), as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 3, "Contractors and Subcontractors on Public Building or Public Work Financed in Whole or in Part by Loans or Grants from the United States"). The Act provides that each contractor or subrecipient must be prohibited from inducing, by any means, any person employed in the construction, completion, or repair of public work, to give up any part of the compensation to which he or she is otherwise entitled. The non-Federal entity must report all suspected or reported violations to the Federal awarding agency.

- VI. Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 3701-3708). Where applicable, all contracts awarded by the non-Federal entity in excess of \$100,000 that involve the employment of mechanics or laborers must include a provision for compliance with 40 U.S.C. 3702 and 3704, as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5). Under 40 U.S.C. 3702 of the Act, each contractor must be required to compute the wages of every mechanic and laborer on the basis of a standard work week of 40 hours. Work in excess of the standard work week is permissible provided that the worker is compensated at a rate of not less than one and a half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of 40 hours in the work week. The requirements of 40 U.S.C. 3704 are applicable to construction work and provide that no laborer or mechanic must be required to work in surroundings or under working conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous or dangerous. These requirements do not apply to the purchases of supplies or materials or articles ordinarily available on the open market, or contracts for transportation or transmission of intelligence.
- VII. Rights to Inventions Made Under a Contract or Agreement. If the Federal award meets the definition of "funding agreement" under 37 CFR §401.2 (a) and the recipient or subrecipient wishes to enter into a contract with a small business firm or nonprofit organization regarding the substitution of parties, assignment or performance of experimental, developmental, or research work under that "funding agreement," the recipient or subrecipient must comply with the requirements of 37 CFR Part 401, "Rights to Inventions Made by Nonprofit Organizations and Small Business Firms Under Government Grants, Contracts and Cooperative Agreements," and any implementing regulations issued by the awarding agency.
- VIII. Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q.) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1251-1387), as amended. Contracts and subgrants of amounts in excess of \$150,000 must contain a provision that requires the non-Federal award to agree to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act as amended (33 U.S.C. 1251-1387). Violations must be reported to the Federal awarding agency and the Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

- IX. Debarment and Suspension (Executive Orders 12549 and 12689). A contract award (see 2 CFR 180.220) must not be made to parties listed on the governmentwide exclusions in the System for Award Management (SAM), in accordance with the OMB guidelines at 2 CFR 180 that implement Executive Orders 12549 (3 CFR part 1986 Comp., p. 189) and 12689 (3 CFR part 1989 Comp., p. 235), "Debarment and Suspension." SAM Exclusions contains the names of parties debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded by agencies, as well as parties declared ineligible under statutory or regulatory authority other than Executive Order 12549.
- X. Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment (31 U.S.C. 1352). Contractors that apply or bid for an award exceeding \$100,000 must file the required certification. Each tier certifies to the tier above that it will not and has not used Federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant or any other award covered by 31 U.S.C. 1352. Each tier must also disclose any lobbying with non-Federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any Federal award. Such disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier up to the non-Federal award.
- XI. Procurement of recovered materials. A non-Federal entity that is a state agency or agency of a political subdivision of a state and its contractors must comply with section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act. The requirements of Section 6002 include procuring only items designated in guidelines of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) at 40 CFR part 247 that contain the highest percentage of recovered materials practicable, consistent with maintaining a satisfactory level of competition, where the purchase price of the item exceeds \$10,000 or the value of the quantity acquired during the preceding fiscal year exceeded \$10,000; procuring solid waste management services in a manner that maximizes energy and resource recovery; and establishing an affirmative procurement program for procurement of recovered materials identified in the EPA guidelines.
- XII. Program Fraud and False or Fraudulent Statements or Related Acts. Contractor acknowledges that 31 U.S.C. Chap. 38 (Administrative Remedies for False Claims and Statements) applies to Contractor's actions pertaining to this contract.
- XIII. Federal Government Hold Harmless. This Agreement is made upon the express condition that the United States of America, its agents and employees shall be free from all liabilities and claims for damages and/or suits for or by reason of any injury, or death to any person or property of the Permittee, its agents or employees, or third parties, from any cause or causes whatsoever while in or upon said premises or any part thereof during the term of this agreement or occasioned by any occupancy or use of said premises or any activity carried on by the Permittee in connection herewith, and the Permittee hereby covenants and agrees to indemnify, defend, save and hold harmless the United States of America, its agents and employees from all liabilities, charges, expenses and costs on account of or by reason of any such injuries, deaths, liabilities, claims, suits or losses however occurring or damages growing out of the same.

- XIV. Domestic Preference Clause. Pursuant to 2.C.F.R. 200.322 Contractor, as appropriate and to the extent consistent with law, should, to the greatest extent practicable under a Federal award, provide a preference for the purchase, acquisition, or use of goods, products, or materials produced in the United States, including but not limited to iron, aluminum, steel, cement and other manufactured products.
- XV. Prohibition on Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment.

(a) Definitions. As used in this clause, the terms backhaul; covered foreign country; covered telecommunications equipment or services; interconnection arrangements; roaming; substantial or essential component; and telecommunications equipment or services have the meaning as defined in FEMA Policy, #405-143-1 Prohibitions on Expending FEMA Award Funds for Covered Telecommunications Equipment or Services As used in this clause

(b) Prohibitions.

(1) Section 889(b) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019, Pub. L. No. 115-232, and 2 C.F.R. § 200.216 prohibit the head of an executive agency on or after Aug.13, 2020, from obligating or expending grant, cooperative agreement, loan, or loan guarantee funds on certain telecommunications products or from certain entities for national security reasons.

(2) Unless an exception in paragraph (c) of this clause applies, the contractor and its subcontractors may not use grant, cooperative agreement, loan, or loan guarantee funds from the Federal Emergency Management Agency to:

- (i) Procure or obtain any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology of any system;
- (ii) (Enter into, extend, or renew a contract to procure or obtain any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology of any system;
- (iii) Enter into, extend, or renew contracts with entities that use covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system; or
- (iv) Provide, as part of its performance of this contract, subcontract, or other contractual instrument, any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system.

(c) Exceptions.

(1) This clause does not prohibit contractors from providing—

a. A service that connects to the facilities of a third-party, such as backhaul, roaming, or interconnection arrangements; or

b. Telecommunications equipment that cannot route or redirect user data traffic or permit visibility into any user data or packets that such equipment transmits or otherwise handles.

(2) By necessary implication and regulation, the prohibitions also do not apply to: a. Covered telecommunications equipment or services that:

i. Are not used as a substantial or essential component of any system; and

ii. Are not used as critical technology of any system.

b. Other telecommunications equipment or services that are not considered covered telecommunications equipment or services.

(d) Reporting requirement.

(1) In the event the contractor identifies covered telecommunications equipment or services used as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system, during contract performance, or the contractor is notified of such by a subcontractor at any tier or by any other source, the contractor shall report the information in paragraph (d)(2) of this clause to the recipient or subrecipient, unless elsewhere in this contract are established procedures for reporting the information.

(2) The Contractor shall report the following information pursuant to paragraph (d)(1) of this clause:

(i) Within one business day from the date of such identification or notification: The contract number; the order number(s), if applicable; supplier name; supplier unique entity identifier (if known); supplier Commercial and Government Entity (CAGE) code (if known); brand; model number (original equipment manufacturer number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number); item description; and any readily available information about mitigation actions undertaken or recommended.

(ii) Within 10 business days of submitting the information in paragraph (d)(2)(i) of this clause: Any further available information about mitigation actions undertaken or recommended. In addition, the contractor shall describe the efforts it undertook to prevent use or submission of covered telecommunications equipment or services, and any additional efforts that will be incorporated to prevent future use or submission of covered telecommunications equipment or services.

(e) Subcontracts. The Contractor shall insert the substance of this clause, including this paragraph (e), in all subcontracts and other contractual instruments.

Section 4 – Scope of Services

1.0 GENERAL

- 1.01 The BIDDER shall comply with all applicable Federal, State and Local codes, ordinances and requirements of all agencies having jurisdiction. The BIDDER will be responsible for obtaining all necessary licenses to complete the scope of work.
- 1.02 Performance: The quality of workmanship concerning the services provided must reflect professional work and conduct.

2.0 SCOPE OF SERVICES

New Hanover County is requesting proposal for the purchase of Pre-Positioned Fuel services including fuel and fuel delivery to generator sites. Services are requested to be utilized in the event of an emergency for the duration of the emergency. A reliable supply of diesel fuel and unleaded gasoline is essential during an emergency to ensure New Hanover County's ability to sustain services to residents.

- A minimum of 20,000 gallons of diesel fuel will be purchased and brought onsite prior to the emergency event.
- A minimum of 12,000 gallons of unleaded gasoline will be purchased and brought onsite prior to the emergency event.
- Tanks are to be stationed at New Hanover County Government Center located at 230 Government Center Drive, Wilmington, NC 28403. The tanks should come equipped with dispensing equipment.

Bidder must have sufficient means and methods to provide the necessary tanks with fuel and be capable of pumping and delivering fuel from delivery location to various generator locations. It is expected that the Bidder will supply fuel truck and driver during emergency event to ensure multiple generator sites are refueled. The specific sites and quantities will be specified prior to the emergency and are subject to change during the emergency event.

The selected bidder shall provide sufficient pumping, measuring, and tracking methods. Methods should function with and without a normal power source. Pumps must contain auto shut off nozzles.

The selected bidder is expected to have ample supply of motor fuels, staff, and equipment to dispense such fuels and respond with the first delivery within seventy-two (72) hours of initial contact by New Hanover County upon the declaration of an emergency.

New Hanover County currently utilizes fueling cards and will continue to use these cards for highway fuels. New Hanover County is not a reseller of fuel. At no time will New Hanover County sell fuel for public use.

The site does not have a containment area, so tanks would need to comply with all Federal, State, and Local Regulations for being self-contained/double walled.

The selected bidder will provide all permitting, safety equipment, spill remediation supplies, equipment, labor, and transportation necessary to fulfill this contract.

Fuel Information

GASOLINE:

- Regular Unleaded Gasoline; minimum 87 Octane rating.

DIESEL:

- Ultra Low Sulfur Diesel Fuel #2 (ULSD) – CLEAR.
- Products under the contract shall be free of water or other impurities. Whether or not a place of inspection is specified herein, all materials shall be subject to inspection and tests at all times by the County.
- Brands of fuel may include unbranded fuel.
- Biofuels (regular or diesel) are not permitted.
- All fuel supplied must meet or exceed the most current ASTM specifications relevant to the fuel type ordered.
- All bulk fuels supplied as a result of this RFP shall meet or exceed all applicable State and Federal government standards and specifications for motor fuel.

Contract period will be July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023, renewable for four (4) additional one (1) year periods through June 30, 2027.

3.0 PRICE SCHEDULE

3.1 The contract will be based upon estimated cost to perform the work as outlined in the Scope of Services. Prices proposed by the bidder shall include anything necessary to complete the work including mobilization, insurance, labor, equipment, fuel, overhead, profit, permits and applicable taxes, if any. No minimum or maximum quantity is implied or inferred by this contract.

3.2 All bids must be submitted using the attached Price Sheet/Bid Form.

4.0 BIDDER SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

- 4.1** BIDDER shall comply with all local, state and federal safety rules and regulations.
- 4.2** The BIDDER shall be solely responsible for maintaining safety at all work sites. The BIDDER shall take all reasonable steps to insure safety for both workers and visitors to include traffic control.

5.0 OTHER LAWS AND REGULATIONS

BIDDER will comply with any and all applicable federal, state and local standards, regulations, laws, OSHA and all health and safety regulations.

Section 5– Bid Sheet

**NEW HANOVER COUNTY
REBID - PRE-POSITIONED FUEL
Price Sheet/Bid Form
RFB # 22-0593**

TO: Sara Warmuth, Chief Facilities Officer
New Hanover County
Facilities Management
200 Division Drive
Wilmington, NC 28401

DATE: _____ CONTRACTOR: _____

OFFICE PHONE: _____ CELL PHONE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

UNIT PRICE BID: The undersigned, having carefully examined the Instructions to Bidders, New Hanover County RFB # 22 –0593 – REBID - PRE-POSITIONED FUEL, and draft contract, including the following addenda;

ADDENDUM # _____ DATED: _____

As well as the premises and conditions affecting the work, proposes to furnish all services, labor, materials and equipment called for to complete the project in accordance with the contract documents for the following unit price amounts.

Hourly Rate (based on 12-hour day) for Fuel Truck and Operator _____

Per Diem Per Employee _____

Annual Retainer for Services (if applicable) _____

Markup for Fuel (if applicable) _____

Required Minimum Activation Period (if applicable) _____

Signature

Title

State of Incorporation

Section 6 – Forms

Statement of Assurances and Compliance

(To be submitted with all bids)

NEW HANOVER COUNTY

REBID - PRE-POSITIONED FUEL

STATEMENT OF ASSURANCES AND COMPLIANCE

The undersigned, as bidder certifies that the General Conditions and Instructions to Bidders, the Draft Contract, the Scope of Work and the Price Sheet/Bid Form found in the bidding documents have been read and understood.

The bidder hereby provides assurance that the firm represented in this bid, as indicated below:

- 1) Will comply with all requirements, stipulations, terms, and conditions as stated in the bid document:
- 2) Currently complies with all applicable State and Federal Laws:
- 3) Is not guilty of collusion with the vendors possibly interested in this bid or in determining prices to be submitted: and
- 4) Such agent as indicated below is officially authorized to represent the firm in whose name this bid is submitted.

Name of Firm

Name of Firm Representative

Title

Address of Firm

Telephone Number

Date

State of Incorporation

Minority & Women Business Enterprise (MWBE) Program

(To be submitted with all bids)

A. Authorized Representative

I HEREBY AFFIRM THAT:

I am [name] _____, [title] _____,
and the duly authorized representative of [Business Name] _____
and that I possess the legal authority to make this statement on behalf of myself and the
Business for which I am acting.

B. Affirmation Regarding MWBE Program Acknowledgement and Compliance

I FURTHER AFFIRM THAT:

I am aware of and intend to comply with the County's MWBE Program. As such [check one]:

_____ The Business is certified as a woman- or minority-owned business by an accepted
agency. (Attach proof certification)

_____ The Business is a woman- or minority-owned business but has not been certified by an
accepted agency. (Attach document of ownership such as articles of incorporation, current
business license, K-1 of the most recent business tax return.)

_____ The Business is not a woman- or minority-owned business; however, the bidder
acknowledges the MWBE policy and if it should become necessary to subcontract some portion
of the work at a later date or obtain materials or services in conjunction with this
solicitation, the bidder will institute good faith efforts to comply with all requirements of the
MWBE program in providing equal opportunities to MWBEs.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Certification Regarding Lobbying

(To be submitted with all bids or offers exceeding \$100,000; must be executed prior to Award)

The undersigned _____ certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:
(Bidder)

1. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any persons for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding to any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
2. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying", in accordance with its instructions [as amended by "Government wide Guidance for New Restrictions on Lobbying," 61 Fed. Reg. 1413 (1/19/96). Note: language in paragraph (2) herein has been modified in accordance with Section 10 of the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 (P.L. 104-65, to be codified at 2 U.S.C. 1601, *et seq.*.)]
3. The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance is placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by 31, U.S.C. 1352 (as amended by the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995). Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

[Note: Pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1352(c)(1)-(2)(A), any person who makes a prohibited expenditure or fails to file or amend a required certification or disclosure form shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 for each such expenditure or failure.]

The Bidder, _____, certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of each statement of its certification and disclosure, if any. In addition, the Contractor understands and agrees that the provisions of 31 U.S.C. Section A 3801 *et seq.*, apply to this certification and disclosure, if any.

Date

Signature of Bidder's Authorized Official

Printed Name and Title of Contractors Authorized Official

(To be submitted with all bids)

Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion

LOWER TIER COVERED TRANSACTION

- (1) The prospective lower tier participant (Bidder/Contractor) certifies, by submission of this bid or bid, that neither it nor its principals is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency.

- (2) The prospective Bidder/Contractor also certifies by submission of this bid or bid that all subcontractors and suppliers (this requirement flows down to all subcontracts at all levels) are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency.

- (3) Where the prospective lower tier participant (Bidder/Contractor) is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this bid or bid.

The lower tier participant (Bidder/Contractor), _____, certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of this statement of its certification and disclosure, if any.

Date

Signature of Bidder's Authorized Official

Printed Name and Title of Contractors Authorized Official