Forsyth County Public Library Addendum #1 to Invitation to Bid for Furniture and Shelving for Denmark Library

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This addendum includes the Library's responses to questions asked by potential bidders through 09/15/2023.

Q: In this bid you have furniture specifications, but no manufacturer numbers at all. Can your specifier provide them?

A: Dealers are required to reach out to the manufacturer/ manufacturer's reps to confirm specific manufacturer numbers based on the specifications provided.

Q: With regards to the bid package, it is acceptable to bid on only those items we know we can provide the best pricing for exact match or an "equal to" substitute?

A: Dealers shall provide pricing for the specified products. "Equal to" substitutes will only be considered for items identified on the specifications as "basis of design" or "custom"

Q: We are not able to provide the specialty shelving portion but are able to purchase direct from almost all of the manufacturers listed on the furniture specification document.

A: Furniture bids and Shelving bids will be evaluated separately. Dealers are welcome to bid on the Furniture scope even if they are unable to provide the Shelving scope. Please note this on your submittal by placing "NO BID" on the scope you are unable to provide a bid for.

Q: Are you all expecting to purchase off state contract or are you accepting bids for purchasing and installation from dealers that you will be purchasing from instead?

A: Dealers are welcome to utilize GA State Contract or NCPA (OMNIA) Contract pricing for this project. Submittals will be evaluated based on pricing, timeliness & accuracy, and quality & adherence to the specifications.

Q: Since it's a county library, are you expecting the pricing to reflect the state of Georgia contract? If so, what would decide the winning bid if all pricing is the same under contract? Will any preferential treatment be given to local dealers?

A: Dealers are welcome to utilize GA State Contract or NCPA (OMNIA) Contract pricing for this project. Submittals will be evaluated based on pricing, timeliness & accuracy, and quality & adherence to the specifications.

Q: Please confirm labor requirements (Union, Non-Union, Straight Time, Overtime, etc.)

A: Non-union (Georgia is not a labor union state). Labor. Installation shall occur during normal business hours. FCPL does require the dealer participate in the E-Verify program. Any labor costs should be included in the unit price of each item.

Q: Can you please provide the CAD files of the drawings?

A: CAD files will be available upon bid award.

Q: For Deduct Alternate #1 Shelving Components, is the list provided the existing components? Please provide any additional details for this deduct alternate.

A: Deduct Alternate #1 assumes existing shelving components would be used in tandem with the new shelving; this will be determined by FCPL upon review of the bids. The items listed are the existing components with potential for reuse.