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Foam Collection Initiative

Response to Questions Submitted by RFP Respondents

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1. Is there any additional information about the container types the material is currently stored in? i.e. are they DOT rated containers?

Answer: Some limited information was collected in a survey earlier this year. Respondents indicated materials are stored in a variety of containers such as drums, tanks and buckets. Respondents should not assume all are DOT rated containers.

2. For locations with tanks or material in fixed systems is there any information available about the type of tanks? Type of connection for pumping out. Access/location of where material is stored.

Answer: This information is not currently known for each site. The project manager will confirm a point of contact (POC) with each fire department. The contractor will gather information from the POC regarding types of tanks/connections for pumping out, access, and location of materials.

3. For sites with tanks of fixed systems do they systems or tanks need flushed after foam is removed?

Answer: Tank cleaning and/or flushing is not included in the scope of the project.

4. Page 4 states that 'All materials must be shipped using a uniform hazardous waste manifest or other shipping documents that meet the requirements IC13-22-4 Et seq.'
 - a. The price page does not include a line for the U.S. EPA hazardous manifest fee? Should this be added as an additional line item to the pricing page?

Answer: All fees should be included as a per gallon price, not a separate line item.

- b. Has IFA considered the use of a non-hazardous waste manifest to lower the cost associated with the shipments of waste under this contract?

Answer: IFA is requiring the use of a hazardous waste manifest to ensure uniform tracking from the generator to the disposal site.

5. Page 5 states 'The Respondent must provide documentation with the bid that the Transfer Facilities and Disposal Facilities that it proposes to use are permitted RCRA Hazardous Waste Treatment, Storage or Disposal Facility.'
- a. Transfer Facilities under RCRA are not permitted RCRA Hazardous Waste Treatment, Storage or Disposal Facilities? Is there a recommendation on how a transfer facility should comply with this requirement?

Answer: IFA will allow transfer at a facility that has notified as a hazardous waste transfer facility under 329 IAC 3.1-8.

- b. Has IFA considered the use of a Solid Waste Permitted facility as a waste receiving and consolidation point to build loads for shipment to the final RCRA Hazardous Waste Treatment, Storage or Disposal Facility?

Answer: IFA is requiring the waste to be managed as a hazardous waste. The waste can be consolidated at a permitted hazardous waste facility or a transfer facility that has notified under 329 IAC 3.1-8

6. Looking at the list of fire departments some have bulk in tanks, are we responsible for tank cleaning?

Answer: Tank cleaning is not included in the scope of the project.

7. Pg 5 of the RFQ states ("The Respondent must provide documentation with the bid that the Transfer Facilities and Disposal Facilities that it proposes to use are permitted as a RCRA Hazardous Waste Treatment, Storage or Disposal Facility.") Per IDEM's website (A hazardous waste transporter may hold waste without a storage permit in containers at a **transfer** facility for 10 days or less as long as the waste is manifested and kept in U.S. DOT specification containers. If the waste is held for more than 10 days, the transfer facility becomes a storage facility and needs to have a permit.) Can we get clarification?

Answer: IFA will allow transfer at a facility that has notified as a hazardous waste transfer facility under 329 IAC 3.1-8.

8. Pg 9 of RFQ cost for (Overpacking of unsuitable container) other than securing that unsuitable package who is responsible for the cleanup of the storage area and are we responsible for notification to IDEM or PPM?

Answer: The contractor is responsible for containment of the material from the time of transfer from the fire station or airport until final disposal. In the event of a spill or release, the contractor is responsible for clean-up and notification to IFA and IDEM.

9. Will there be a separate RFP for the cleaning of the equipment that current stores the foam material to protect against future environmental liability?

Answer: Tank cleaning is not included in the scope of the project.

10. Is there an inventory of AFFF that names foam names and types to determine quantities of C6 vs C8 foam?

Answer: We expect the respondent to collect specific information about what foam type is actually at each fire department when they schedule to pick up visit.

11. Has a replacement foam been identified, and will its procurement and installation be part of this contract?

Answer: Each facility is responsible for identifying replacement materials if needed and the selected contractor will not be involved after existing materials are removed from the site.

12. Has an acceptable downtime for each piece of affected equipment been identified for removal and replacement of AFFF?

Answer: We expect the contractor to coordinate with/determine appropriate equipment downtime for each facility to at the time the contractor schedules a time to pick up the material.

13. Will the selected contractor be involved in identifying the affected equipment that will require change when transitioning from AFFF to the replacement foam?

Answer: No

14. The RFP indicates requirement to "... collect, store, transport, treat and properly dispose of the AFFF material...". Are there specified treatment and disposal methods for the AFFF material?

Answer: The AFFF must be managed as a hazardous waste for transportation and disposal. Please specify how you propose to treat and dispose of the materials in the submission.