



STATE OF TENNESSEE
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT & CONSERVATION

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS # 32701-03910
AMENDMENT # 3
FOR MOBILE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL OF
HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE**

DATE: 4/28/2020

RFP # 32701-03910 IS AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:

1. This RFP Schedule of Events updates and confirms scheduled RFP dates. Any event, time, or date containing revised or new text is highlighted.

EVENT	TIME (central time zone)	DATE
1. RFP Issued		April 1, 2020
2. Disability Accommodation Request Deadline	2:00 p.m.	April 6, 2020
3. Pre-response Conference	9:00 a.m.	April 8, 2020
4. Notice of Intent to Respond Deadline	2:00 p.m.	April 13, 2020
5. Written "Questions & Comments" Deadline	2:00 p.m.	April 20, 2020
6. State Response to Written "Questions & Comments"		April 28, 2020
7. Response Deadline	4:30 p.m.	May 14, 2020
8. State Completion of Technical Response Evaluations		May 27, 2020
9. State Opening & Scoring of Cost Proposals	2:00 p.m.	May 28, 2020
10. Negotiations (Optional)	4:30 p.m.	June 2, 2020
11. State Notice of Intent to Award Released and RFP Files Opened for Public Inspection	2:00 p.m.	June 3, 2020
12. End of Open File Period		June 10, 2020
13. State sends contract to Contractor for signature		June 11, 2020
14. Contractor Signature Deadline	2:00 p.m.	June 18, 2020
15. Performance Bond Deadline	2:00 p.m.	June 30, 2020

2. State responses to questions and comments in the table below amend and clarify this RFP.

Any restatement of RFP text in the Question/Comment column shall NOT be construed as a change in the actual wording of the RFP document.

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		1. Are county workers there to help staff at these events?	County workers will be present to take surveys and answer questions regarding local solid waste questions.
		2. Do you not take Latex paint at any of these events?	Latex paint is not accepted at HHW events. Most counties encourage latex paint to be solidified and added to solid waste stream.
		3. Are the hours of operation at each event consistent with one another?	Events are typically four hours long (8-noon Central or 9-1 Eastern). Sometimes an event will be five hours.
		4. How does Professional Malpractice Liability insurance relate to the services under this contract?	Vendors must have training and expertise on how the hazardous waste products must be removed, transported, and treated/disposed of properly following all local, state, and federal regulations, and they must ensure they are following these regulatory compliance laws.
		5. Is Professional Malpractice Liability insurance required in order to be consider for award of this contract and if so under what circumstances would it apply to the contract services?	Yes, with a limit not less than \$1,000,000 per claim. Circumstances include but are not limited to, the improper transportation, treatment, or disposal of hazardous waste.
		6. Please add a set up cost to the cost proposal for HHW Mobile Events covering labor, transportation, and supplies based on the expected number of households to attend an event. This was listed in the 2015 RFP #32701-02307. This will help allocate these cost appropriately to the	The State declines to make any changes to this section at this time. This section was removed because the current contract does not have a set-up cost associated with the events. Prospective bidders should adjust their cost per pound accordingly.

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		individual municipality holding the events.	
		7. Please provide waste volumes and manifests from 2019 for fixed locations such as the schools and fixed collection locations?	Manifests are not required for household hazardous waste. School collections do, but that information would have to be requested in a formal records request. A total of 21,741 lbs. of material was disposed at 47 school collections. A total of 20,196 lbs. were disposed at 9 collections at temporary HHW collection facilities. A total of 150,626 lbs. were disposed at 34 collections at oil-based paint collection facilities.
		8. Please provide the locations of the fixed HHW collection facilities?	The addresses for the temporary HHW containers can be found on the following webpage. https://www.tn.gov/environment/sw-mm-household-hazardous-waste-program/temporary-hhw-containers.html Over half of the 95 counties in the state collect at least oil-based paint. These sites are evenly dispersed statewide.
		9. To confirm, each county will provide one or more containers (roll-offs) at HHW events for the collections of non-hazardous household waste such as cardboard for proper disposal?	Yes, collection containers for non-hazardous materials. The size of the container varies based on location, but are adequate. The county will make the decision if containers are provided for recycle of cardboard or other materials at their location.
		10. Within Attachment A. Scope section A.27 states, "The Contractor shall recycle, treat, or dispose of all HHW and CESQG waste, at an appropriate facility approved in writing by the State. No wastes accepted by the Contractor may be disposed in a landfill without express written approval from the State." Can contractor quote	Landfilling should not be listed as a means of HHW disposal in your response. Materials should not be managed at TSDf's by processes that may be acceptable in some states for subtitle D land disposal.

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		landfill for certain non-hazardous waste streams and receive written approval to use landfill once awarded?	
		11. Will the hours of operation vary for HHW events based on the county? Spring events on the TDEC website are currently canceled but will times remain the same between these hours: 8:00-12:00, 9:00-1:00, or 8:00-1:00?	Yes, there is some variability among counties, but events are typically four hours long (8-noon Central or 9-1 Eastern). Some events run 5 hours.
		12. Do the collected waste volumes found on the TDEC website for 2019 include both HHW Mobile Event volumes and CESQG Wastes collected or just HHW waste from residents?	The weights listed on the TDEC website do not include CESQG waste.
		13. The price schedule lists smoke detectors as a required item to bid but on pg. 75 (Attachment 4) Radioactive Compounds (e.g. smoke detectors) are excluded. Smoke detectors are also listed as unacceptable items on the TDEC website under HWW information. Should these be removed from the price schedule?	No. The State would like price quotes in case smoke detectors are brought in.
		14. Prescription and OTC drugs are listed as acceptable items on (Attachment 3) pg. 74 of the RFQ. However, this item is not on the price schedule. Should medicines be added to the price schedule?	These materials can be managed as "poison-solid" or "poison-liquid" depending on state of material.
		15. If prescription medicines are accepted at collection	Yes. The residents may be directed to the local law enforcement agency

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		events, are controlled substances unacceptable items?	with a bin. There is at least one in every county.
		16. What was the total spend for services covered under the current contract in 2019?	In 2019, the State spent \$657,046.13 on covered services under the current contract.
		17. How many mobile collection event occurred in 2019?	The State coordinated 52 mobile HHW events in 2019.
		18. As the instructions for electronic submittal required the pricing be provided as a spreadsheet, can the pricing table please be provided to all bidders as a spreadsheet? This will eliminate the risk that the State receives pricing in multiple formats as each of us may create the spreadsheet slightly differently.	This has been addressed by the release of Amendment 2.
		19. The certificate of insurance requested in A.6 of the Mandatory requirements asks that the certificate be dated within the last 6 months. We have two questions. 1) Are you requesting a generic certificate of insurance showing our coverages? Or one that identifies the State as additional insured? 2) Our policies are written on an annual basis from November 1 of each year, through October 31 of the following year. Can the 6 month requirement be waived?	The State is requesting a generic certificate of insurance. If your insurance policy is updated annually, include a letter dated from your insurance company within the past 6 months that shows coverage is current.

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		<p>20. As requested during the pre-bid conference, our legal department has reviewed the pro-forma contract and made suggested revisions. While we understand that the State may not accept all revisions, we are submitting them now as instructed. Any feedback is greatly appreciated.</p>	<p>The State declines to make any changes to these sections at this time.</p>
		<p>21. Can you provide any historical data on the school lab pack program?</p>	<p>In 2019, the State coordinated 47 school collections totaling 21,741 lbs.</p>

3. **RFP Amendment Effective Date.** The revisions set forth herein shall be effective upon release. All other terms and conditions of this RFP not expressly amended herein shall remain in full force and effect.