

ADDENDUM NO. 1
TO
REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS
FOR
TRANSPORTATION AND DISPOSAL OF ASH
FOR
MID-CONNECTICUT RESOURCE RECOVERY FACILITY
HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT,
WALLINGFORD RESOURCE RECOVERY FACILITY
WALLINGFORD, CONNECTICUT,
AND
DISPOSAL OF ASH FROM
THE PRESTON RESOURCE RECOVERY FACILITY

RFQ No. FY08EN003

ISSUED BY:

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**[PLEASE ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF THIS ADDENDUM WHEN
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RESPONSE TO QUESTIONS
(Received through February 15, 2008)

1. **Question:** Under the Scope of Services 4-1 you state: “The Contractor shall provide for the transportation and disposal of ash in accordance with applicable law and contract requirements. Although CRRA will not require ash to be disposed in an ash monofill unless required by applicable law, disposal must be done at a minimum in a Subtitle D permitted landfill which has a synthetic base liner, leachate collection and treatment and groundwater monitoring. Ash must be disposed in such a landfill or used as daily cover at such a landfill.”

We are a licensed landfill in the Commonwealth of Virginia licensed to take construction demolition debris, marine debris, incinerator ash, power plant ash, coal ash, sandblasting grit, industrial waste and non friable asbestos. Our question is: will we meet the criteria?

Response: The RCRA Subtitle D regulatory standards for municipal solid waste landfills, as promulgated by the USEPA, are codified at 40 CFR Part 258, “Criteria for Municipal Solid Waste Landfills”. In particular, CRRA directs your attention to 40 CFR 258.40, “Design Criteria”. Please refer to both 40 CFR 258.40(a)(1) and 40 CFR 258.40(a)(2).

2. **Question:** What is the moisture content of the ash from the Mid-Connecticut and Wallingford facilities?

Response: See Appendix 3 to the RFQ for information on ash characteristics.

3. **Question:** What is the current tip fee for the Wallingford ash to its landfill site?

Response: The current tip fee for disposal of ash at the Putnam Landfill is \$41.92.

4. **Question:** Please verify that the successful bidder will have to provide the operator for loading, weighing and staging vehicles at the Wallingford location.

Response: Yes, the Contractor will be responsible for such activities. See Section 4.1.2 of the RFQ for further information.

5. **Question:** Are clarification requests going to be shared with all parties on the RFQ distribution list or will they be answered directly to the party requesting clarification?

Response: Responses to all clarification requests will be shared with all parties to the RFQ.

6. **Question:** Section 7.1 lists the General Requirements for responding to the SOQ. Guidance is provided on page 7-2 on how CRRA would like to have the SOQs to be organized. Can you provide additional guidance on what type of information CRRA is looking for under the "Employee Matters" bullet on page 7-2?

Response: Please delete the bullet "Employee Matters" from the list. It is not applicable to this RFQ.

7. **Question:** If the Proposer is a disposal facility that would plan to utilize a subcontracted transportation company for hauling ash from Hartford and Wallingford, is it required to identify the specific transportation company(ies) in this SOQ?

Response: Yes.

8. **Question:** If the answer to Question 7 is yes, can multiple transportation companies be submitted for qualification as part of this SOQ thereby deferring the selection of the specific transporter to a later date?

Response: Yes.

9. **Question:** If the Proposer is a subsidiary of a publicly owned corporation but has no separate audited financial statements, is there an alternative mechanism available to demonstrate its financial strength? Would the audited financial statements of its publicly-traded parent be sufficient for these purposes?

Response: Yes, if the publicly-traded parent is the proposed Guarantor.

10. **Question:** Section 5.6.3 in the RFP lays out the specifications for a performance bond indicating that the bond shall be renewed annually. In looking at the SOQ Form 10, there is no place on the performance bond indicating the term of the bond is one year. Is it acceptable to add this language?

Response: Yes, if a Proposer thinks it necessary to add such language, it is acceptable to do so. See Section 5.6.3 of the RFQ for further discussion of performance bond requirements.

11. **Question:** Section 2.3 of the RFQ indicates that “leak proof” trailers are loaded at the Wallingford facility, but no similar statement is made for the Mid-Connecticut or Preston facilities. Connecticut regulations require all ash to be transported in watertight trailers. Please confirm that all trailers and/or containers used to haul ash from the Mid-Connecticut, Preston and Wallingford facilities must be watertight to prevent any leakage, spillage, and dispersion of ash during transportation.”

Response: Yes, all trailers and/or containers used to haul ash from the Mid-Connecticut, Preston and Wallingford facilities must be watertight to prevent any leakage, spillage and dispersion of ash during transportation.

12. **Question:** Who are the current disposal facilities for the disposal of ash now?

Response: Ash from the Mid-Connecticut facility is disposed at the Hartford Landfill. Ash from the Wallingford and Preston Resource Recovery Facilities is disposed at the Putnam Landfill.

13. **Question:** What is the current rate of disposal?

Response: There is no rate for disposal at the Hartford Landfill, as it is owned and operated by CRRRA. The rate for disposal of ash at the Putnam Landfill for the Wallingford and Preston facilities is \$41.92.

14. **Question:** What is the time frame of the current disposal contracts?

Response: The Hartford Landfill must, by agreement, close no later than December 31, 2008. The contracts for disposal of ash from the Wallingford and Preston facilities at the Putnam Landfill expire on December 31, 2008.

15. **Question:** Who are the current vendors for disposal?

Response: CRRRA currently operates the Hartford Landfill for disposal of the Mid-Connecticut ash. Wheelabrator Putnam Inc is the contractor for disposal of ash from the Wallingford and Preston facilities.

16. **Question:** Who are the current haulers of the ash for disposal?

Response: The hauler for the Mid-Connecticut facility ash is Botticello Inc. The hauler for the Wallingford facility ash is D.W. Transport and Leasing Inc. This RFQ is not requesting hauling service from the Preston facility, only disposal services.

17. **Question:** What is the current moisture content of the ash that we viewed?

Response: See response to Question 2.

18. **Question:** Were there disposal price increases in the last disposal contract?

Response: Yes.

19. **Question:** Is there any prevailing wage that must be paid to perform these services?

Response: Only if required by applicable law. There is no specific CRRRA requirement.

20. **Question:** If the successful proposer is from out of state how does the tax free status work for services and fuel purchased?

Response: If services and fuel are purchased in Connecticut they should be eligible for tax free status.

21. **Question:** Does the State of Connecticut or the State DEP require a Certificate of Public Convenience or Necessity to operate Ash disposal trucks?

Response: Please contact the State and DEP directly to seek an answer to this question.

22. **Question:** As the due date is fast approaching for this RFQ and it does take some time for Audited financials will CRRRA take financial from calendar year 2006 and if chosen for the shortlist then take Audited Financials? Our Accounting firm has told us they could have audited financials by the first week of April, will this suffice?

Response: Please provide your most recent financial statement for 2006 with your submittal of the SOQ.

23. **Question:** Do you anticipate any extension's in your timeframe for this RFQ?

Response: No.