

Questions & Answers RFP - 160305

The following questions have been submitted concerning RFP 160305 – Diesel Fuel, Gasoline and Fuel Additive. The questions received did not indicate a need for a change to the RFP document. Thus, no Addenda will be issued. These questions have been answered, and are provided verbatim from what was received:

Can you please share who currently holds this contract and the tabulation from the previous solicitation?

The previous solicitation, RFP #094203, can be found on our District website at: http://ecsd-fl.schoolloop.com/purchasing/bids_previously.

Is The District able to make payment electronically via ACH?

Not at this time.

When was the fuel bid last awarded and can we have a copy of the tabulations?

The tabulation of responses from the previous solicitation, RFP #094203, can be found on our District website at: http://ecsd-fl.schoolloop.com/purchasing/bids_previously.

Can you do better than 30 days for payment terms, i.e. Net 10 or Net 15?

No; however, payment is generally made upon receipt of invoice.

Do you currently receive a discount for prompt payment of invoices?

No.

Will you accept up to 5% bio diesel in your diesel fuel?

No.

Is 10% ethanol blended gasoline acceptable?

Yes, we will accept up to a 10% ethanol blend. We currently receive such a blend. But, should state and/or federal guidelines or supply dictate a change on this, we will follow.

What locations take 89 octane gasoline?

None. The RFP references 89 octane gasoline for emergency needs and/or industry changes.

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What is the average load size for gas and diesel by location? Are they combined to create full loads?

The average load size for District gasoline fuel sites is 1,000 gallons except for the Texar gasoline fuel site which averages 6,500 gallons.

The average load size for District diesel fuel sites is 4,000 gallons.

Yes loads are combined to create full loads. Refer to Section X. PRICING under Part C. SPLIT LOADS on page 25 of 32.

Is a pump required at any location? If so, which locations will require a pump?

All of our tanks are above ground and thus require pumps.

How many consecutive years has the current vendor been awarded?

6 consecutive years.

Will a firm fixed price be considered? If not, why?

Your differential shall be a firm fixed price. However, if you propose a fixed firm price on the actual products: diesel fuel, gasoline and fuel additive, your proposal will be considered an alternate proposal. The differential proposed under this RFP shall remain firm and fixed for the entire term of this contract and renewals.

The District shall have sole discretion in accepting or rejecting any alternate pricing structures offered.

If we were to insert any conditions into our alternate firm fixed bid, would they be taken into consideration or rejected? Sample attached, please indicate which clauses would be acceptable and which clauses would be cause for rejection?

The District intends to award this solicitation as it was created by the District. We cannot state if these conditions would be accepted or rejected at this time. Any alternate terms you want to present must be a part of your proposal and will be considered by the evaluation committee.

The District shall have sole discretion in accepting or rejecting any alternate product(s) or bids offered.

If we do not attend the bid opening, how and when will we be notified of the low bidder and can we receive a copy of the bid tabulations?

Pricing will not be discussed at the proposal opening. Refer to Section II. GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS, Part W. RFP TABULATIONS, RECOMMENDATIONS AND PROTEST on page 6 of 32 in reference to the bid tabulations.

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Can we please have a list of bidders invited to submit a proposal?

No firms were invited to submit a proposal. We post our solicitations publically on the following websites: The Escambia County School District Website, and the Bidnet, Demand Star and Prime Vendor websites. Links to these sites are referenced at http://ecsd-fl.schoolloop.com/purchasing/bid_service.

Will delivery of fuel require background checks? What is the cost of this?

See Section III. SPECIAL CONDITIONS, Part J. EMPLOYEE SCREENINGS on page 8 of 32 in reference to required background checks. The cost and other details can be found on our District Website at: http://ecsd-fl.schoolloop.com/fingerprinting_all.

Will you split the award between Transport and Tankwagon deliveries?

No. The District only accepts transport deliveries.

Will all the loads delivered to each location be considered tanker/transport loads only?

Yes.

For delivery to each location, are both diesel and gas orders placed at the same time?

Normally yes; however, an exception may be made on an as-need basis.

Based on previous usage, what is the approximately delivery amount at each location? And what is the frequency?

The average load size for our gasoline fuel sites is 1,000 gallons except for the Texar gasoline fuel site which averages 6,500 gallons.

The average load size for our diesel fuel sites is 4,000 gallons.

Refer to Section X. PRICING, Part B. ESCAMBIA COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT DIESEL AND GASOLINE PRICING on page 25 of 32 for our annual usage.

We typically order fuel once a week.

Why not use daily OPIS instead of weekly?

The District has chosen to use the weekly OPIS at this time. Refer to Section IV. SCOPE OF WORK OR SERVICES, Part E. PRICING BASED ON OPIS PAD 1 REPORT FOR THE PENSACOLA FLORIDA TERMINAL, subsections a. and b. on pages 17 and 18 of 32.

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How often in the past have you split loads? Is it rare?

The District will often split loads, based on need. Refer to Section X. PRICING under Part C. SPLIT LOADS on page 25 of 32.

Can you provide a copy of a past invoice? That way we can make sure we are all on the same page as to what taxes you pay.

The current taxes are as follows:

Gasoline:

Escambia Co Gas Tax	.183000
Fed Exc Lust Govt Tax	.001000
FL Inspection Fee	.001250
FL MTR Fuel Tax	.173000
FL Pollution Tax	.020714
Fed Env Rec Fee	.001712

Diesel:

Fed Exc Lust Govt Tax	.001000
FL Pollution Tax	.020714
Fed Env Rec Fee	.001900

It is the Responder's responsibility to adjust these if changed by any of the taxing governmental entities and inform the District in writing.

Please provide estimated annual volume for each product; Ultra Low Sulfur Diesel and Ultra Low Sulfur Diesel DYED for each of the following locations:

- (a) School Bus Garage: ULSD_____ ULSD Dyed_____
- (b) Tate High School: ULSD_____ ULSD Dyed_____
- (c) Escambia HS: ULSD_____ ULSD Dyed_____
- (d) Woodham Middle: ULSD_____ ULSD Dyed_____
- (e) George Stone Voc: ULSD_____ ULSD Dyed_____
- (f) Walnut Hill Garage: ULSD_____ ULSD Dyed_____

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