



5/28/2024

**Addendum # 1 to Bid 002800**

Change the above referenced Invitation to Bid to agree with this addendum.

The addendum must be signed and included with bid submission

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Q1. Who is the current vendor providing services?

A. Medical Waste Management – Raven

Q2. What are the current rates?

A. \$0.28 per pound

Q3. Will LSUHSC be willing to negotiate their terms? If so and if applicable, should vendors include their requested edits with their submitted proposal for review?

A. Any proposed changes to the terms must be submitted in advance of bid submission for review.

Q4. “Attachment 1 – Bidder’s Price Sheet” only lists a per pound disposal rate. Is it mandatory that vendors submit only one per pound disposal rate or may vendors submit a separate per pound disposal fee for pathological waste disposal services as well? May vendors submit any additional fees such as a stop charge, minimum pickup or no waste fee?

A. One per pound disposal rate. All fees or additional charges must be factored into your per pound price.

Q5. Is LSUHSC able to provide the number of pickups completed as well as number of containers and volume of waste that each facility generated over the previous 12 months of service?

A. Pick-up frequency shall be twice weekly (See section 3.5 & 3.6 of bid document bid document) from locations 1-4 or as needed described in the appropriate sections bid document. The four main locations are consistent with this need sans holidays (i.e., Friday after Thanksgiving and Christmas / New Year campus closure) and weather events (e.g., hurricane closures). Other specifics are not readily available at this time.

The annual average volume is expected to be approximately 140,000 pounds (quantity not guaranteed). Estimated volume per pick up location is 60% from the Clinical Sciences Research Building, 30% from the School of Dentistry, and 10% from the Medical Education Building. The other four locations are minimal.

In 2023 calendar year, LSUHSC New Orleans generated approximately 75.6 tons of biological waste from its referenced locations. 2021 data estimated an average of 55.1 bioboxes collected/day (4 main locations). Other specifics are not readily available at this time.

Q6. It states that the Clinical Sciences Research Building will be disposing of pathological waste. What is the estimated volume of this type of waste that the site generates per pickup or per year?

A. Animal care wastes such as animal carcasses (e.g., mice, pigs, rabbit, etc.) generated primarily from this location would comprise of the majority of potentially pathological waste. Specifics pathological waste volumes are not readily available at this time, but it can be reasonably anticipated 1-2 96 gallon containers per week are generated.

Q7. Is it mandatory that vendors are able to provide the Clinical Sciences Research Building with a 96 Gallon wheeled cart to utilize for their pathological waste? If a vendor cannot provide this size container, may they propose different container size options that they are able to provide the site for their waste?

A. Yes, the 96 gallon wheeled carts are mandatory. The contractor must provide reusable plastic 96-gallon volume biohazard containers for the pathological disposal at the Clinical Sciences Research Building. Contractor must provide 8 of these containers on the first day of the contract and maintain a supply of 8 at the Clinical Sciences Research Building's dock. When a filled container is picked up, it must be replaced with an empty one. LSUHSC reserves the right to request additional containers for the CSR or other facilities.