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2023-2028 Community Refuse Removal & Recycling Service in Franklin and St. Lawrence Counties–Sunmount
DDSOO – IFB SUN 041923

Questions and Answers:

Below is a compilation of the questions received for this bid. Questions that were repeated, or of a recurring nature, were consolidated. Thank you very much for your interest.

- 1. Question:** For Franklin County locations, can adequate containers be provided by the contractor and utilized by the customer in place of the state owned equipment in order to optimize service and ensure the safety of the drivers and customer?

Answer: No. Sunmount recently invested in new trash receptacles based on the need of the homes.

- 2. Question:** Bid rates will require estimated weights based on historical service averages to calculate the tipping fees to be included in the bid rates. Since our bid rate will be all inclusive of tipping fees, are there any requirements that need to be provided for verification of tipping fees as actual tonnage will not be available?

Answer: OPWDD will not require verification of tipping fees.

- 3. Question:** Is the Approximate Loads column the total for each time the waste is picked up or total for the week?

Answer: OPWDD released Addendum 1 revising the Exhibit A-Community Pick-Up Schedule and the Cost Proposal tables for St. Lawrence and Franklin Counties to correct the approximate load amounts and clarify that approximate load is per pick up, not per week. Additionally, the Container Size column in St. Lawrence County has been removed so that bidders may determine and provide the appropriate, most cost effective container for each location, based on approximate load amounts. Bidders should adjust their bid pricing to reflect these updates.

- 4. Question:** Will a cost saving alternate service proposal be accepted if the weekly volumes provided for each location remain the same?

Answer: No. Alternate service proposals will not be accepted. Please provide bid pricing based on the information appearing in Addendum 1, as per above. **Any alteration to the Cost Proposal Form may result in disqualification.**

Respectfully,



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