

SEDGWICK COUNTY, KANSAS FINANCE DEPARTMENT DIVISION OF PURCHASING

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL #17-0029 WASTE TIRE TRANSPORTATION SERVICE

February 24, 2015

Sedgwick County, Kansas (hereinafter referred to as "County") is seeking to obtain proposals from vendors to provide Waste Tire Transportation Services for the County. This request for proposal provides specific technical information to aid participating agencies in formulating a thorough response. The County may select one or more vendors to provide services at the County's discretion.

Carefully review this Request for Proposal. It provides specific technical information necessary to aid participating firms in formulating a thorough response. Should firms elect to participate, submit one (1) original **AND** one (1) electronic copy (flash drive) of the entire document with any supplementary materials to:

Britt Rosencutter Sedgwick County Division of Purchasing 525 N. Main St., Suite 823 Wichita, KS 67203

SUBMITTALS are due **NO LATER THAN 1:45 p.m. CST, March 7**, **2017.** Responses must be <u>sealed and marked on</u> the lower left-hand corner with the firm name and address, proposal number, and proposal due date. Late or incomplete responses will not be accepted and will not receive consideration for final award. The time stamp clock in the Division of Purchasing will determine the time of receipt.

No information other than the respondent's name will be disclosed at bid opening.

<u>All contact concerning this solicitation shall be made through the Division of Purchasing.</u> Proposers shall not contact county employees, department heads, using agencies, evaluation committee members or elected officials with questions or any other concerns about the solicitation. Questions, clarifications and concerns shall be submitted to the Division of Purchasing in writing. Failure to comply with these guidelines may disqualify the Proposer's response.

Sincerely,

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Britt Rosencutter Purchasing Agent

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I. <u>About this Document</u>

This document is a Request for Proposal. It differs from a Request for Bid or Quotation in that the county is seeking a solution, as described on the cover page and in the following Background Information section, not a bid or quotation meeting firm specifications for the lowest price. As such, the lowest price proposed will not guarantee an award recommendation. As defined in Charter Resolution No. 65, Competitive Sealed Proposals will be evaluated based upon criteria formulated around the most important features of the product(s) and/or service(s), of which quality, testing, references, service, availability or capability, may be overriding factors, and price may not be determinative in the issuance of a contract or award. The proposal evaluation criteria should be viewed as standards that measure how well a vendor's approach meets the desired requirements and needs of the County. Criteria that will be used and considered in evaluation for award are set forth in this document. The county will thoroughly review all proposals received. The county will also utilize its best judgment when determining whether to schedule a pre-proposal conference, before proposals are accepted, or meetings with vendors, after receipt of all proposals. A Purchase Order/Contract will be awarded to a qualified vendor submitting the best proposal. **Sedgwick County reserves the right to select, and subsequently recommend for award, the proposed service(s) and/or product(s) which best meets its required needs, quality levels and budget constraints.**

The nature of this work is for a public entity and will require the expenditure of public funds and/or use of public facilities, therefore the successful proposer will understand that portions (potentially all) of their proposal may become public record at any time after receipt of proposals. Proposal responses, purchase orders and final contracts are subject to public disclosure after award. All confidential or proprietary information should be clearly denoted in proposal responses and responders should understand this information will be considered prior to release, however no guarantee is made that information will be withheld from public view.

II. Background

Sedgwick County, located in south-central Kansas, is one of the most populous of Kansas' 105 counties with a population estimated at more than 508,000 persons. It is the sixteenth largest in area, with 1,008 square miles, and reportedly has the second highest per capita wealth among Kansas' counties. Organizationally, the county is a Commission/Manager entity, employs nearly 2,800 persons, and hosts or provides a full range of municipal services, e.g. – public safety, public works, criminal justice, recreation, entertainment, cultural, human/social, and education.

In 2000, the County participated in the Tire Amnesty Program in cooperation with the Kansas Department of Health and Environment. The program collected 218,044 tire units. In 2004, the County held a waste tire collection event. This program collected 222,638 tire units. The waste tire collection event held in 2011 collected 155,878 passenger tire equivalents. The waste tire event held in 2015 collected 137,780 tire equivalents. To further enhance the environment, the County has chosen to provide this service again for all residents and certain businesses in Sedgwick County. Businesses that collect fees for the disposal of tires will not be eligible to participate. We anticipate this program will collect approximately 150,000 passenger tire equivalents. Contractor will remove all tires and associated materials from the site in a timely manner.

Tires received from the public will be on or off the rim.

III. **Project Objectives**

- The main objective is to enter into a contract with a current State of Kansas permitted Waste Tire Transporter as set forth in K.S.A. 65-3424b.
- Removal of waste tires from the following location:

Sedgwick County West Yard 4701 S. West Street Wichita, KS 67217

• The collection for government agencies and eligible businesses will be on Thursday, April 13, 2017. The public collection of waste tires will be Friday, April 14, 2017 and Saturday, April 15, 2017.

IV. Submittals

Carefully review this Request for Proposal. It provides specific technical information necessary to aid participating firms in formulating a thorough response. Should you elect to participate, submit one (1) original **AND** one (1) electronic copy (.PDF/Word supplied on a flash drive) of the entire document with any supplementary materials to:

Britt Rosencutter Sedgwick County Division of Purchasing 525 N. Main, Suite 823 Wichita, KS 67203

SUBMITTALS are due **NO LATER THAN 1:45 p.m. CST, TUESDAY, March 7, 2017**. Responses must be <u>sealed and</u> <u>marked on the lower left-hand corner with the firm name and address, proposal number, and proposal due date</u>. Late or incomplete responses will not be accepted and will not receive consideration for final award.

Proposal responses will be acknowledged and read into record at bid opening which will occur at 2:00 p.m. CST, on the due date. No information other than the respondent's name will be disclosed at bid opening.

V. Scope of Work

- Waste tire means any tire (with or without rim) or part of a tire that no longer is suitable for its originally intended purpose by virtue of wear, damage or defect.
- Waste tire transporter means a person who, as part of a commercial business is approved and licensed by the State of Kansas to transport waste tires.
- Waste tire recycling means a state of Kansas approved and licensed procedure to process waste tires to a form of raw materials or products that may be returned to the marketplace.

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VI. <u>Sedgwick County's Responsibility</u>

- Provide information, as legally allowed, in possession of the County, which relates to the County's requirements or which is relevant to this project.
- Designate a person to act as the County Contract Manager with respect to the work to be performed under this contract.
- Conduct final inspection and approve payment.

VII. <u>Proposal Terms</u>

A. <u>Questions and Contact Information</u>

Any questions regarding this document must be submitted in writing to Britt Rosencutter at

<u>britt.rosencutter@sedgwick.gov</u> by 5:00 p.m. CST February 24, 2017. Any questions of a substantive nature will be answered in written form as an addendum and posted on the purchasing website at

<u>www.sedgwickcounty.org/finance/purchasing.asp</u>, under view current RFQs and RFPs; to the right of the RFP number by 5:00 p.m. CST Monday February 27, 2017. Firms are responsible for checking the website and acknowledging any addenda on their proposal response form.

B. <u>Minimum Qualifications</u>

This section lists the criteria to be considered in evaluating the ability of firms interested in providing the service(s) and/or product(s) specified in this Request for Proposal. Firms must meet or exceed theses qualifications to be considered for award. Any exceptions to the requirements listed should be clearly detailed in proposer's response. Proposers shall:

- 1. Have a minimum of 5 years' experience in providing services similar to those specified in this RFP.
- 2. Have an understanding of industry standards and best practices.
- 3. Have experience in managing projects of comparable size and complexity to that being proposed.
- 4. Have knowledge of and comply with all currently applicable, and as they become enacted during the contract term, federal, state and local laws, statutes, ordinances, rules and regulations. All laws of the State of Kansas, whether substantive or procedural, shall apply to the contract, and all statutory, charter, and ordinance provisions that are applicable to public contracts in the county shall be followed with respect to the contract.
- 5. Municipal and county government experience is desired, however, the county will make the final determination based on responses received and the evaluation process.
- 6. Have the capacity to acquire all bonds, escrows or insurances as outlined in the terms of this RFP.
- 7. Provide project supervision (as required) and quality control procedures.
- 8. Have appropriate material, equipment and labor to perform specified services.
- 9. Park only in designated areas and display parking permit (if provided).
- 10. Wear company uniform or ID badge for identification purposes.

C. <u>Evaluation Criteria</u>

The selection process will be based on the responses to this RFP. County staff will judge each response as determined by the scoring criteria below:

Criteria	Points
• Has experience in collection and removal of refuse tires.	25
• References verifying ability to perform the proposed waste tire transporting services.	25
• Meeting all request for proposal requirements and/or specifications as outlined herein.	25
Implementation plan and services proposed.	25
Total Points	100

Any final negotiations for services, terms and conditions will be based, in part, on the firm's method of providing the service and the fee schedule achieved through discussions and agreement with the county's review committee. The county is under no obligation to accept the lowest priced proposal and reserves the right to further negotiate services

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The county reserves the right to reject all proposals. All proposals, including supporting documentation shall become the property of Sedgwick County. All costs incurred in the preparation of this proposal shall be the responsibility of the firm making the proposals. Sedgwick County reserves the right to select, and subsequently recommend for award, the proposed service which best meets its required needs, quality levels and budget constraints.

D. <u>Request for Proposal Timeline</u>

The following dates are provided for information purposes and are subject to change without notice. Contact the Division of Purchasing at (316) 660-7255 to confirm any and all dates.

Distribution of Request for Proposal to interested parties	February 24, 2017
Questions and clarifications submitted in writing by 5:00 p.m. CST	February 28, 2017
Addendum Issued	March 2, 2017
Sealed Proposal due before 1:45pm CST	March 7, 2017
Evaluation Period	March 7 – March 8, 2017
Board of Bids and Contracts Recommendation	March 9, 2017
Board of County Commission Award	March 15, 2017

E. <u>Contract Period and Payment Terms</u>

A contractual period will begin following Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) approval of the successful firm(s) and continue for a period of one (1) year with five (5) one (1) year options.

Either party may cancel its obligations herein upon thirty-day (30) prior written notice to the other party. It is understood that funding may cease or be reduced at any time, and in the event that adequate funds are not available to meet the obligations hereunder, either party reserves the right to terminate this agreement upon thirty (30) days prior written notice to the other. Payment will be remitted following receipt of monthly detailed invoice.

Payment and Invoice Provisions

http://www.sedgwickcounty.org/purchasing/payment_and_invoice_provisions.pdf

F. Insurance Requirements

Liability insurance coverage indicated below must be considered as primary and not as excess insurance. Contractor shall furnish a certificate evidencing such coverage, with County listed as an additional insured, except for professional liability, workers' compensation and employer's liability. **Certificate shall be provided prior to award of contract.** Certificate shall remain in force during the duration of the project/services and will not be canceled, reduced, modified, limited, or restricted until thirty (30) days after County receives written notice of such change. All insurance must be with an insurance company with a minimum BEST rating of A-VIII and licensed to do business in the State of Kansas (**must be acknowledged on the bid/proposal response form**).

<u>NOTE</u>: If any insurance is subject to a deductible or self-insured retention, written disclosure must be included in your proposal response and also be noted on the certificate of insurance.

It is the responsibility of Contractor to require that any and all approved subcontractors meet the minimum insurance requirements. Contractor shall obtain the above referenced certificate(s) of insurance, and in accordance with this Agreement, provide copies of such certificates to County.

Workers' Compensation:	
Applicable coverage per State Statutes	
Employer's Liability Insurance:	\$100,000.00
Commercial General Liability Insurance:	
Each Occurrence	\$500,000.00
Aggregate	\$500,000.00
Personal Injury:	
Each Occurrence	\$500,000.00
General Aggregate	\$500,000.00
Automobile Liability:	
Combined single limit	\$500,000.00
Professional Liability	
If required	
Special Risks or Circumstances:	

Entity reserves the right to modify these requirements, including limits, based on the nature of the risk, prior experience, insurer, coverage, or other special circumstances.

G. Indemnification

To the fullest extent of the law, the provider, its subcontractor, agents, servants, officers or employees shall indemnify and hold harmless Sedgwick County, including, but not limited to, its elected and appointed officials, officers, employees and agents, from any and all claims brought by any person or entity whatsoever, arising from any act, error, or omission of the provider during the provider's performance of the agreement or any other agreements of the provider entered into by reason thereof. The provider shall indemnify and defend Sedgwick County, including, but not limited to, its elected and appointed officials, officers, employees and agents, with respect to any claim arising, or alleged to have arisen from negligence, and/or willful, wanton or reckless acts or omissions of the provider, its subcontractor, agents, servants, officers, or employees and any and all losses or liabilities resulting from any such claims, including, but not limited to, damage awards, costs and reasonable attorney's fees. This indemnification shall not be affected by any other portions of the agreement relating to insurance requirements. The provider agrees that it will procure and keep in force at all times at its own expense insurance in accordance with these specifications.

H. <u>Confidential Matters and Data Ownership</u>

The successful proposer agrees all data, records and information, which the proposer, its agents and employees, which is the subject of this proposal, obtain access, remains at all times exclusively the property of Sedgwick County. The successful proposer agrees all such data, records, plans and information constitutes at all times proprietary information of Sedgwick County. The successful proposer agrees that it will not disclose, provide, or make available any of such proprietary information in any form to any person or entity. In addition, the successful proposer agrees it will not use any names or addresses contained in such data, records, plans and information for the purpose of selling or offering for sale any property or service to any person or entity who resides at any address in such data. In addition, the successful proposer agrees it will not sell, give or otherwise make available to any person or entity any names or addresses contained in or derived from such data, records and information for the purpose of allowing such person to sell or offer for sale any property or service to any person or entity named in such data. Successful proposer agrees it will take all reasonable steps and the same protective precautions to protect Sedgwick County's proprietary information from disclosure to third parties as with successful proposer's own proprietary and confidential information. Proposer agrees that all data, regardless of form that is generated as a result of this Request for Proposal is the property of Sedgwick County.

I. <u>Proposal Conditions</u>

http://www.sedgwickcounty.org/purchasing/pdf_files/Proposal%20Terms%20%20Conditions.pdf

General Contract Provisions

http://www.sedgwickcounty.org/purchasing/pdf_files/General%20Contractual%20Provisions.pdf

Mandatory Contract Provisions

http://www.sedgwickcounty.org/purchasing/pdf_files/Mandatory%20Contractual%20Provisions.pdf

Sample Contract

http://www.sedgwickcounty.org/purchasing/pdf_files/Sample%20Contract.pdf

VIII. Required Response Content

All proposal submissions shall include the following:

- 1. Firm profile: the name of the firm, address, telephone number(s), contact person, year the firm was established, and the names of the principals of the firm.
- 2. The names of the staff members who will be available for work on the contract, including a listing of their work experience.
- 3. The firm's relevant experience, notably experience working with government agencies.
- 4. At minimum, three (3) professional references with email addresses, telephone numbers, and contact persons where work has been completed within the last three years.
- 5. A disclosure of any personal or financial interest in any properties in the project area, or any real or potential conflicts of interest with members of the Sedgwick County Board of County Commissioners or County staff.
- 6. A description of the type of assistance that will be sought from County staff, including assistance required from the County to lessen the costs of this project.

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The undersigned, on behalf of the proposer, certifies that: (1) this offer is made without previous understanding, agreement or connection with any person, firm, or corporation submitting a proposal on the same project; (2) is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud; (3) the person whose signature appears below is legally empowered to bind the firm in whose name the proposer is entered; (4) they have read the complete Request for Proposal and understands all provisions; (5) if accepted by the county, this proposal is guaranteed as written and amended and will be implemented as stated; and (6) mistakes in writing of the submitted proposal will be their responsibility.

NAME			
DBA/SAME			
CONTACT			
ADDRESS	CITY/STATE	ZIP	
PHONE	FAX	HOURS	
STATE OF INCORPORATION	or ORGANIZATION		_ COMPANY WEBSITE
ADDRESS	EMAIL		
NUMBER OF LOCATIONS	NUMBER OF PERSONS EN	MPLOYED	
TYPE OF ORGANIZATION: P	Public Corporation Private Corpo	oration Sole Proprieto	orship
Partnership Other (Describe)			
BUSINESS MODEL: Small Busi	iness Manufacturer Distrib	outor Retail	_
Dealer Other (Describe):			
Not a Minority-Owned Business:	Minority-Owned Business:	_ (Specify Below)	
African American (05) Asia	n Pacific (10) Subcontinent Asian (1	5) Hispanic (20)	
Native American (25) Other	(30) - Please specify		
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Native American-Woman Owne	d (75)Other – Woman Owned (80) –	Please specify	
ARE YOU REGISTERED TO D	O BUSINESS IN THE STATE OF KS	S:YesNo	
INSURANCE REGISTERED IN	THE STATE OF KS WITH MINIM	UM BEST RATING OF A	-VIII:YesNo
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submission format should be by or	cknowledges all requirements, terms, cor der in which sections are listed througho ad detailed in proposer's response. Exce	out the document. All minim	um and general requirements
Signature	Title		
Print Name	Dated		

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PROPOSAL RESPONSE FORM #17-0029

WASTE TIRE TRANSPORTATION SERVICE All mandatory requirements must be addressed. Each item will have only one mark. If non-compliant is marked, a detailed explanation is required.

Mandatory Requirement	Yes	No	Comments
Proposer must be in good standing with the			
State of Kansas by having all current			
necessary permits to perform service.			
Copies of permits must be attached to			
response form.			
Must be present at the designated collection			
sites during the date and times stated for			
removal of waste tires.			
Sedgwick County shall require submittal of			
final disposition information. Report shall			
include County's tonnages of tires			
processed/recycled at each receiving facility			

Price per scaled ton: \$_____

Specify the number of tons that can be removed on a daily basis: ______.