

ADDENDUM #1 RFB #23-0060 MEDICAL GRADE OXYGEN

August 28, 2023

The following is to ensure that vendors have complete information prior to submitting a proposal. Here are some clarifications regarding the bid for Medical Grade Oxygen.

Questions and/or statements of clarification are in **bold** font, and answers to specific questions are *italicized*.

1. The bid states under mandatory requirements that the supplier must provide distribution and filling of tanks within Sedgwick County. We have a local store in Wichita for distribution but our closest fill plant is in Hutchinson KS. Would this keep us from being able to bid?

Answer: A fill plant located outside of Sedgwick County, but within the region (surrounding counties), will be considered during the bid review and is not necessarily a disqualification. This wording was added from our (EMS) experiences during COVID, with the high demand on oxygen by all health providers. A fill plant that is located out of state would be a disqualification.

2. The contract period/term shows one (1) year with four (4) one (1) year options. Sedgwick County may cancel its obligation with 30 days' notice. To service you correctly we would need to purchase 121 M cylinders, 925 Jumbo D tanks and 36-40 cabinets. We would be purchasing the majority of these assets new and if the contract is only guaranteed for 30 days, we believe the cost of the rental would be unattainable to Sedgwick County. In situations like this, where this much equipment is needed, we would need a guaranteed period of time long enough to recover the cost of the new assets. Would Sedgwick County be willing to do a longer guaranteed term?

Answer: Unless there are mitigating circumstances the contract would last for at least one (1) year with the first renewal either offered or declined at that time. Please include all options you are willing to offer that provide the best value to the county.

Firms interested in submitting a bid, must respond with complete information and **deliver on or before** 1:45 pm September 12, 2023. Late bids will not be accepted and will not receive consideration for final award.

"PLEASE ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF THIS ADDENDUM ON THE BID RESPONSE PAGE."

Sincerely,

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Britt Rosencutter Purchasing Agent

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