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INVITATION FOR BID NO. GSA-021-16

60-MONTH LEASE AGREEMENT FOR COPIER-DPHSS

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Questions submitted by All Star Quality Business Systems dated February 19, 2016 and received by GSA on February 18, 2016.

Questions were submitted referenced "Questions regarding IFB GSA-021-16"; however, correspondence also stated, "Please see below our questions and requests in regards to IFB GSA-014-16". All questions received under Invitation For Bid No. GSA-014-16 has been responded and is now closed.

The following questions are acknowledged and will be assumed to be intended under this bid.

Inquiry 1: The bid states that it is a "60 Month Lease Agreement". As a document solutions provider, we recommend GSA and the end user to request for a for a 360-month lease with an option to renew for the additional 24-months upon satisfactory performance from the Vendor. Many government and commercial institutions today opt for a 36-month lease term with option to renew for additional 24-months. We highly recommend this because of the following reasons: (Reasons identified in length)

Response: After consultation with the end-user, 60-Month Lease term remains. No changes to bid specifications in this regard.

Inquiry 2: After reviewing the bid we noticed that the following services were not included in the bid packet:

- Full service and maintenance or copier to include on-site and on phone technical support, all parts and labor (lease price will cover the cost of parts).
- Least to provide unlimited telephone and on-site technical support.
- 24/7 telephone technical support over the telephone
- All consumable replaceable supplies included with paper and staples are included in to the lease price without additional costs to the end user.
- End user will be credited in the amount of \$25 for every business day the machine is down or malfunction.
- Initial set up to include printer driver installation on all the workstation, scan-to-email set-up, scan-to-pc set-up, Fax set-up, accounting (user codes, copy/print limitations) set-up, etc.
- Proactive Solution The copier will automatically send email notification to the vendor in case of service calls or supplies are needed.
- Mandatory Preventive Maintenance visits on quarterly basis (a log sheet will be provided to the end user to tract the preventive maintenance).
- Monthly reports to include meter read, list of ordered supplies and list of requested service calls.

Please note that the above services were not included in the bid packet. As a complete document solution provider, All Star humbly requests GSA and the end user to add the above services in to the contract and as a part of the lease price. These services should be covered with the fixed monthly lease price and should not be charged separately.

Response: It is obvious that this question was from a previous bid and has been addressed. The specifications under this bid included the above suggested services. Please refer and review Pages 29 - 30 of 30 of the bid specifications.

Inquiry 3: The bid packet does not specify monthly pooled allowance for the paper, staples for the off-line stapler and staples for finisher/booklet maker. A document solutions company that provides high end copiers should also be responsible for providing consumables such as paper and staples. As a complete document solutions provider, All Star requests GSA and the end user to add a monthly allowance for paper (letter, legal or ledger), staples for off-line stapler and staples for finisher/booklet maker. This allowance of paper and staples should not be a separate charge but should be included in the monthly lease price.

Response: Your request to include a monthly allowance for paper is denied.

Inquiry 4: The bid states "on board anti-virus protection". We request GSA and the end user to clarify if this is referring to the Anti-Virus software that will be installed on the work stations connected to the copier. Please clarify.

Response: To clarify, on Board Anti-virus protection shall be installed on equipment.

Inquiry 5: In regards to "Charges for overage of Copies exceeding the monthly allowance print", Will this rate/charge be fixed for the year or can it change every year? Please advise?

Chief Procurement Officer

Response: Rate shall be fixed for the term of the lease.

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