SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR ON-CALL OCEAN-GOING VESSEL AT BERTH EMISSIONS CONTROL SERVICES

Pursuant to the On-Call Ocean-Going Vessel At Berth Emissions Control Services Request for Proposals (RFP), all proposers were to submit any questions regarding this RFP by no later than May 9, 2024. Questions were to be submitted in writing, and all questions and responses were to be posted on the Department’s website and www.rampla.org.

Below is a list of questions received from proposers, and the Department’s response:

1. Q: Will there be additional term options offered?
   A: Due to the evolving nature of vessel emissions control technology, this agreement will last three years. Any changes to term would require an agreement amendment and approval by the Board of Harbor Commissioners. A new RFP may be released prior to the end of this RFP’s service agreement(s).

2. Q: This is an hourly rate agreement, other than tug transportation, do you have a list of additional billable cost? We need to ensure all anticipated cost have been included in the hourly rate excluding tug transportation.
   A: Please include a breakdown of all costs included in determining the hourly rate for the selection committee to review in their evaluation. Hourly rate generally should include labor, fuel, administrative costs, etc. If your company does not charge on an hourly basis, service charge information can be provided on a per call basis.

3. Q: I would like to clarify; proposer shall provide a Letter of Test Plan Approval or an executive order to qualify for the bid. Is the proposer required to provide their actual approved Test Plan? This is a confidentiality question.
   A: A copy of the Test Plan approval letter from the California Air Resources Board (CARB) or CARB Executive Order will suffice as part of the proposal package. Please avoid including any confidential or proprietary information such as the actual approved Test Plan in the proposal package as the Harbor Department is subject to California Public Records Act inquiries.
4. Q: Can the Project Manager be the shift Barge Master? We normally don't have a project manager scheduled for a service call. If that is required per the bid, is that an additional billable item?

A: A Project Manager should be someone Harbor Department staff can contact promptly, respond to general questions, and has authority in the company to assign work tasks to others within the company.

5. Q: You will receive bid proposals from companies home ported in LA and LB, If home ported in LB is that an issue for the bidder?

A: Where the proposer homeport is located does not matter as long as they are able to meet the RFP requirements and provide services to the Harbor Department.