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DATE: January 24, 2023

**SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR EMERGENCY RESPONSE AND
HAZARDOUS WASTE MANAGEMENT SERVICES**

Pursuant to the Emergency Response and Hazardous Waste Management Services Request for Proposals (RFP), all proposers were to submit any questions regarding this RFP by no later than Thursday, January 19, 2023. Questions were to be submitted in writing, and all questions and responses were to be posted on [the Department's website](http://the.Department's.website) and www.rampla.org.

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

1. Q: Are subcontractors allowed?

A: Yes.

2. Q: Who is the current contractor?

A: Ocean Blue.

3. Q: Will you be posting the current contractor's pricing?

A: No.

4. Q: Confirming this is to be quoted as prevailing wage?

A: No, prevailing wage is for construction work which is not in the scope of the RFP

5. Q: Can the waste be shipped outside of the US?

A: No.

6. Q: Must the prime be an SBE or can we qualify with a sub that is a DVBE?

A: Firm's Ramp profile must reflect the SBE (Proprietary) certification in order to meet the SBE requirement.

7. Q: Do DBE and EBE certifications in Rampla count towards the 10% SBE requirement?

A: No, firm's Ramp profile must reflect the SBE (Proprietary) certification in order to meet the SBE requirement.

8. Q: Is the current agreement # 22-9896 with Ocean Blue Environmental Services, Inc. term 1 year or three years?

A: 1 year.

9. Q: What is the NTE value of the current agreement # 22-9896 with Ocean Blue Environmental Services, Inc.?

A: \$2 million.

10. Q: Is there be a need for us to include a pest control/animal control subcontractor with this scope of work?

A: Not required, but recommended.

11. Q: What is the anticipated contract \$ value of the 3 year contract?

A: \$6 million shared by the selected contractors.

12. Q: Is it the Ports intent to make multiple awards of 3 year contracts?

A: Yes, if we receive qualified proposals.

13. Q: Are there any special permits, registrations or requirements Contractors will need to obtain or meet in regard to the Port's Clean Truck Program?

A: No, the Clean Truck Program only applies to [drayage trucks](#).

14. Q: Will Contractors be required to obtain Temporary Access Permits for vehicles entering the Port's marine terminals?

A: No.

15. Q: Will California Prevailing Wages apply to any of the proposed work?

A: No.

16. Q: Will only the 3 following certifications in RAMP count towards the 10% SBE participation? SBE (LA), SBE (Proprietary) and VSBE (Harbor)

A: Firm's Ramp profile must reflect the SBE (Proprietary) certification in order to meet the SBE participation requirement.