



Lexington County School District One

**AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION
BT2024.6 Pest Control Services**

Solicitation Number: **BT2024.6**
Date Issued: **06/13/2024**
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AMENDMENT/MODIFICATION NO: **One**

1. ISSUED BY: **Lexington County School District One
100 Tarrar Springs Road, Procurement Office
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Attn: Melissa Saul**

2. CONTRACTOR'S NAME AND ADDRESS:

3. AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION NO.:

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4. THIS BLOCK APPLIES ONLY TO AMENDMENTS OF SOLICITATIONS:

THE ABOVE NUMBERED SOLICITATIONS IS AMENDED AS SET FORTH IN BLOCK 5. THE HOUR AND DATE FOR RECEIPT OF OFFERS [] IS EXTENDED, [x] IS NOT EXTENDED.

5. DESCRIPTION OF AMENDMENT:

Vendor questions and district responses start on page 2.

6. CONTRACTOR/OFFEROR IS TO SIGN THIS DOCUMENT AND RETURN TO LEXINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT ONE AT ADDRESS SHOWN ABOVE. FAILURE TO RETURN WITH BID MAY RESULT IN REJECTION OF YOUR OFFER.

7. CONTRACTOR'S SIGNATURE

8. CONTRACTOR'S NAME AND ADDRESS:

BY : _____
(SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE)

9. DATE SIGNED : _____

10. LEXINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT ONE

11. NAME AND TITLE OF AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE

BY: *Melissa Saul*
(SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE)

**Melissa Saul
Coordinator of Procurement**

12. DATE SIGNED: 6/13/2024

Amendment

THE SOLICITATION IS AMENDED AS PROVIDED HEREIN. ANY RESTATEMENT OF PART OR ALL OF AN EXISTING PROVISION OF THE SOLICITATION DOES NOT MODIFY THE ORIGINAL PROVISION EXCEPT AS FOLLOWS: UNDERLINED RED TEXT IS ADDED TO THE ORIGINAL PROVISION. STRICKEN TEXT IS DELETED.

Questions Received:

Question 1. What is the current contract per month and per year amount for this scope of work for the school district for all locations?

District Answer: The current monthly amount is \$2,629.99 and the annual amount is \$31,559.88.

Question 2. Any known current insect or rodent problems/pest infestations with any of the locations listed at this time or recently? Or historically in the past? If so, could those locations be provided?

District Answer: Only common or typical issues noted at this time.

Question 3. Do you all want the Pest Control Provider to follow an Integrated Pest Management Program?

District Answer: We are not using an integrated pest management program at this time, bid per the scope of work/specifications.

Question 4. In the pests you all listed to be covered. Only Rats, Mice, Waterbugs, Ants, Roaches, Silverfish, Spiders, and Scorpions are the only typical common covered pests. All the other pests listed are typically not common covered pests. Such as lice. It would require a special treatment and lice are usually related to a personal hygiene issue. Such as Fleas which require special treatment preparation and protocol outside of a regular pest control service. Such as Bees which are protected and generally require the removal process using a beekeeper. Such as Wasps and Hornets they can only be treated and removed as long as they are active inside of a nest that can be removed from 12 ft off the ground.

District Answer: Work is not limited to 12' above finished grade.

Question 5. Can an amendment be made to remove lice, fleas, and bees altogether from the "covered pests" and be placed in a special services/pricing category if needed?

District Answer: **No, bid per the Scope of Work/Specifications**

Question 6. Can an amendment be made to Wasps and Hornets to only be "covered pests" as long as they are in a nest and 12 ft accessible from the ground?

District Answer: **No, Wasps and Hornets must be treated regardless of elevation.**

Question 7. Any other pests/or insects that are not listed in order for treatment to occur the pest control vendor would have to get a special service quote/agreement for service to occur for those on a case-by-case basis?

District Answer: **See Scope of Work/Specifications, Additional Fees**

Question 8. If the pest provider finds exclusion issues(openings) or sanitation issues causing pest issues at a certain location. Would you all be willing to work with the pest control provider on having these issues addressed? Such as Pest Control provider giving a quote/extra service cost to perform "outside of scope work-such as installation of door sweeps, attic remediation, crawl space remediation, or exclusion(manually sealing up openings to prevent pest entries)? Or would the district be willing to take the advice from the pest control provider to get these issues fixed either by maintenance or a general contractor. Such issues that observations are documented that are causing the pest problems that chemical, glue, or mechanical traps could not resolve?

District Answer: **LCSD1 welcomes feedback, however; maintenance items are corrected by district maintenance staff.**

Question 9. So, there is the "Annual Treatment for All facilities of the District shall be completely treated on an annual basis. This treatment shall occur during the month of July." Can you please specify what type of service is wanted to be performed on this annual treatment in July? Is it the whole interior of each location? Whole exterior of each location?

District Answer: **Annual treatments for A, B, and C type facilities shall include the Exterior as well as crack and crevice treatment**

Question 10. Since, there would be an "Annual Treatment" Shouldn't there be a bidding price line item for each Annual Treatment for each location to calculate? Especially, if the annual treatment will take longer than the normal monthly services per location?

District Answer: **The amount for the Annual treatment should be figured into the total.**

Question 11. So, the typical regular service areas are defined as "Facility A: kitchen, serving line area, dining area, garbage storage room, can wash room, food/supply area, dishwashing room, food service wash room Facility B: office area, restroom, lounge, custodial/supply closet, water fountain area, concession/canteen area, dumpster/surrounding area, bookroom, drink machine area, home economics room, basement, kindergartens. Facility C: Stadiums and athletic facilities, ball field areas w/concessions, restrooms, concessions serving/vending area, food preparation area, food supply area, dumpster/surrounding area." So, if an "emergency service treatment" is requested anywhere than the specific areas listed it would have to a special service charge correct?

District Answer: An Emergency Service Treatment is based on an 800SF classroom. Other spaces are covered in Facility type A, B, or C. Anything that falls outside of those categories will be treated as Additional Services.

Question 12. What would be defined truly as an "emergency service treatment" that would need a 24 hour response time? Would it be something such as a single ant or roach sighting in an area? Or something like multiple roaches or ants seen in this area? And it would be only for a covered pest correct? Please, can you specify if what would fall under this category ?

District Answer: A single ant or Roach would not constitute an emergency. An emergency would be seen as instances where monthly or annual services are not adequate to control a pest problem

Question 13. What about exterior perimeters of each location it's not specified if those are listed? Please specify if those treatments are needed would they be a special service quote/agreement on a case-by-case basis?

District Answer: Exterior perimeters are to be covered in the Annual treatment.

Question 14. Do you all use School Dude Work Order system that the pest control provider would have to access to?

District Answer: LCSD1 does not use this system nor would allow external vendors access to our internal systems

Question 15. Any plans over the next 5 years for any additional add on additional square footage or removal of sq footage to current locations? If so, since the bid price that has been submitted by the awarded vendor of contract would be based on the sq footage information provided currently, could an amendment to service/price be made to that location if the sq footage changes on a specific current location?

District Answer: See Scope of Work/Specifications, page 29 Additions/Deletions to the contract

Question 16. Any plans over the next 5 years for new additional locations to be built or locations closed down by the district that could warrant an amendment(change in price) negotiated by district & pest control vendor?

District Answer: See Scope of Work/Specifications, page 29 Additions/Deletions to the contract

Question 17. The awarded vendor of this solicitation will be the "lowest responsive bidder." Will that be based truly on the lowest provided price submitted or will it be the lowest provided submitted price that meets the qualifications listed in the scope on the vendor having experience and references of being a contracted provided for a contract of this size?

District Answer: Award will be made to the lowest responsible and responsive bidder. Please refer to page 6 of the solicitation.

Question 18. Will there be a public bid opening for this solicitation?

District Answer: Yes, see page 1 of the solicitation.

End Amendment