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Protest Decision

Matter of: Hoffman & Hoffman, Inc.

Case No.: 2021-115

Posting Date: October 16, 2020

Contracting Entity: South Carolina Department of Corrections

Solicitation No.: 5400020360

Description: Air Cleaners

DIGEST

Protest by low bidder of a non-responsive determination is denied. The protest letter of Hoffman & Hoffman, Inc (HH) is included by reference. (Attachment 1)

AUTHORITY

The Chief Procurement Officer¹ (CPO) conducted an administrative review pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. §11-35-4210(4). This decision is based on materials in the procurement file and applicable law and precedents.

¹ The Materials Management Officer delegated the administrative review of this protest to the Chief Procurement Officer for Information Technology.

BACKGROUND

Solicitation Issued: 09/18/2020 Intent to Award Posted 09/23/2020 Protest Received 09/25/2020

The South Carolina Department of Corrections (DOC) issued Invitation for Bids (IFB) number 5400020360 on September 23, 2020 seeking competition for the acquisition of air cleaners under the emergency procurement provisions found in Section 11-35-1570 of the Consolidated Procurement Code. DOC posted an Intent to Award a contract resulting from IFB 5400020360 to Vision Aire Solutions, LLC on September 23. 2020. DOC also published its intent to award a contract under the emergency provisions of the Code to Vision Aire Solutions in South Carolina Business Opportunities as document number 5400020386 on that same day.² (Attachment 2) HH filed a protest of the award on September 25, 2020.

ANALYSIS

HH protests:

- 1- The project did not allow for "or equal" products.
- 2- The timeline for request for quote from Friday 9/18 to Tuesday 9/22 is an unfair amount of time to provide competitive quote.
- 3- Line Number 0003 PHI PKG5 Package PHI unit is an ozone generating product. See blow (sic) from EPA website on harmful effects of ozone. The PHI PKG5 product creates ozone. Product brochure is misleading. Product does not comply with UL 867 Air Cleaner Testing and UL 2998 Air Cleaner Validation for Zero Ozone Emissions.
- 4- Line Number 0004 PHI PKG9 Package PHI unit is an ozone generating product. See blow from EPA website on harmful effects of ozone. The PHI PKG5 product creates ozone. Product brochure is misleading. Product does not comply with UL 867 Air Cleaner Testing and UL 2998 Air Cleaner Validation for Zero Ozone Emissions.

HH's first protests that the solicitation did not allow for "or equal" bids. The solicitation did allow for "or equal" bids as follows:

² Other than the fact that both documents refer to the same situation, there is no indication in either IFB 5400020360 or document 5400020386 that these two documents are related.

DESCRIPTIVE LITERATURE -- REQUIRED (JAN 2006)

Your offer must include manufacturer's latest literature showing complete product specifications if you are bidding an equal.

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This issue of protest is denied.

HH next protests that the time allowed to respond to this solicitation is inadequate. DOC determined that the Covid-19 pandemic creates an immediate threat to the health and welfare of the people in its care which warrants acquisition of this equipment as quickly as possible to save lives. Attachments 2 and 3) Section 11-35-1570(A) provides:

Notwithstanding any other provision of this code, the chief procurement officer, the head of a purchasing agency, or a designee of either officer may award or authorize others to award emergency contracts only when there exists an immediate threat to public health, welfare, critical economy and efficiency, or safety under emergency conditions as defined in regulations promulgated by the board; and provided, that <u>such emergency procurements shall be made with as much competition as is practicable under the circumstances</u>. A written determination of the basis for the emergency and for the selection of the particular contractor shall be included in the contract file.

These products are widely available, and bidders were given as much time as was practicable under the circumstances in accordance with the Code. This issue of protest is denied.

HH's third and fourth issues of protest allege that the products listed in line items 3 and 4 of the bidding schedule are ozone producing products that do not comply with UL 867 Air Cleaner Testing and UL 2998 Air Cleaner Validation for Zero Ozone Emissions.

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The solicitation does not require compliance with UL 867 Air Cleaner Testing and UL 2998 Air

Cleaner Validation for Zero Ozone Emissions, and alleged violations of federal law are not valid

protest grounds S.C. Code § 11-35-40(3). These issues of protest are denied.

DECISION

For the reasons stated above, the protest of Hoffman and Hoffman is denied.

For the Materials Management Office

Michael B. Spicer

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Chief Procurement Officer

Attachment 1

 From:
 Hunter Wilson

 To:
 Protest-MMO

Subject: [External] Protest Soliditation 5400020360 - Air Cleaners

Date: Friday, September 25, 2020 12:04:13 PM

Attachments: image 00 1.png

The following request is to protest solicitation 5400020360.

Request project to rebid due to the following:

- 1- The project did not allow for "or equal" products.
- 2- The timeline for request for quote from Friday 9/18 to Tuesday 9/22 is an unfair amount of time to provide competitive quote.
- 3- Line Number 0003 PHI PKG5 Package PHI unit is an ozone generating product. See blow from EPA website on harmful effects of ozone.

The PHI PKG5 product creates ozone. Product brochure is misleading.

Product does not comply with UL 867 Air Cleaner Testing and UL 2998 Air Cleaner Validation for Zero Ozone Emissions.

EPA Ozone Generators that are sold as Air Cleaners:

"Whether in its pure form or mixed with other chemicals, ozone can be harmful to health."

"When inhaled, ozone can damage the lungs. Relatively low amounts of ozone can cause chest pain,

coughing, shortness of breath and, throat irritation. It may also worsen chronic respiratory diseases such as asthma as well as compromise the ability of the body to fight respiratory infections."

https://www.epa.gov/indoor-air-quality-iag/ozone-generators-are-sold-air-

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Hunter Wilson, P.E. HVAC Sales Engineer mobile: (803)-413-1933 office: (803)-451-8364

email: hunter.wilson@hoffman-hoffman.com

104 Vantage Point Drive Cayce, SC 29172

Attachment 2

South Carolina Business Opportunities

SCBO Online Edition

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| Purchasing Agent/Entity: Departmen | | | ent of Corrections | | | Bid/Subm | ittal Due Date: | October 1, 2020 - 10:00am | |
| Description: | Description: | | | | | | | | |
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| Solicitation #: | 540002038 | 7 | Direct Inquiries To: RUTHIE BISHOP | | | | | | |
| Buyer Phone#: | | 803-896-8533 | Buyer Email: | | | Bishop.Ruthie@doc.state.sc.us | | | |
| Delivery Point: n/a | | | | | | | | | |
| Full Details / Down | Full Details / Download: http://webprod.cio.sc.gov/SCSolicitationWeb/solicitationAttachment.do?solicitnumber=5400020387 | | | | | | | | |
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State of South Carolina

Notice of Emergency Procurement

S olicitation:
Date Is sued:
Procurement Officer:
Phone:
E-Mail Address:
Mailing Address:

5400020387
9/23/2020
RUTHIE H. BIS HOP, CPPB
(803)896-8533
puhcasing@doc.sc.gov
SC Department of Consctions
Attn: Puchasing Branch
4420 Broad River Road
Columbia SC 29210

DESCRIPTION: NOTICE OF EMERGENCY PROCUREMENT
USING GOVERNMENTAL UNIT: SC Department of Corrections

The Term "Offer" Means Your "Bid" or "Proposal". Your offer must be submitted in a sealed package. Solicitation Mumber & Opening Date must appear on package exterior. See "Submitting Your Paper Offer or Modification" provision.

| FOLLOWING ADDRESSES: | |
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| PHYSICAL ADDRESS: SC Department of Corrections Attn: Purchasing Branch 4420 Broad River Road | |
| | PHYSICAL ADDRESS: SC Department of Corrections Attn: Purchasing Branch |

SUBMIT OFFER BY (Opening Date/Time): 10/01/2020 @10:00 AM (See "Deadline For Submission Of Offer" provision)

OUESTIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY: (See "Ouestions From Offerors" provision)

| NUMBER OF COF | TES TO BE SUBMITTED: | | Pro- | |
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| DATE & TIME: | / PE : Not App licab le e "Conferences - Pre-Bid/Proposal" & "Site V i | sit" | LOCATION: Not App lic ab le | |
| AWARD & Award will be posted on 10/01/2020. The award, this s AMENDMENTS be posted at the following web address: http://www.pn | | | | |
| | signed copy of this form with Your Offer. By s Offer open for a minimum of thirty(30) calends | | agree to be bound by the terms of the Solicitation. You the Opening Date. (See "Signing Your Offer" | |
| NAME OF OFFEROI | R (full legal name of business submitting the offer) | Any award is sued will be is sued to, and the contract will be formed with, the entity identified as the Offeror. The entity named as the offeror must be a single and distinct legal entity. Do not use the name of a branch office or a division of a larger entity if the branch ordivision is not a separate legal entity, i.e., a separate corporation, patters hip, sole proprietors hip, etc. | | |
| AUTHORIZED SIGN (Person must be author of Offeror.) | VATURE wized to submitbinding offer to contract on behalf | DATE SIGNED | | |
| TITLE | | STATE VENDOR NO. | | |
| (business title of person signing above) | | (Regis ter to Obtain S.C. Vendor No. at www.procurement.sc.gov) | | |
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| (printed name of person signing above) | | (If you are a corporation, identify the state of incorporation.) | | |
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| PREFERENCES - A NOTICE TO VENDORS (SEP. 2009): On June 16, 2009, the South Carolina General Assembly rewrote the law governing preferences available to in-state vendors, vendors using in-state subcontractors, and vendors selling in-state or US end products. This law appears in Section 11-35-1524 of the South Carolina Code of Laws. A summary of the new preferences is available at www.procurement.sc.gov/preferences . ALL THE PREFERNCES MUST BE CLAIMED AND ARE APPLIED BY LINE ITEM, REGARDLESS OF WHETHERAWARD IS MADE BY ITEM OR LOT. VENDORS ARE CAUTIONED TO CAREFULLY REVIEW THE STATUTE BEFORE CLAIMING ANY PREFERENCES. THE REQUIREMENTS TO QUALIFY HAVE CHANGED. IF YOU | | | | | | | |
| REQUEST A PREFERENCE, YOU ARE CERTIFYING THAT YOUR OFFER QUALIFIES FOR THE PREFERENCE YOU'VE CLAIMED. IMPROPERLY REQUESTING A PREFERENCE CAN HAVE SERIOUS CONSEQUENCES. [11-35-1524(E)(4)&(6)] | | | | | | | |
| PREFERENCES - ADDRESS AND PHONE OF IN-STATE OFFICE: Please provide the address and phone number for your in-state office in the space provided below. An in-state office is necessary to claim either the Resident Vendor Preference (11-35-1524(C)(1)(ii)&(ii)) or the Resident Contractor Preference (11-35-1524(C)(1)(iii)). Accordingly, you must provide this information to qualify for the preference. An in-state office is not required, but can be beneficial, if you are claiming the Resident Subcontractor Preference (11-35-1524(D)). | | | | | | | |
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Notice of Emergency Procurement

Due to the design of The South Carolina Department of Corrections Facilities the Agency is unable to maintain the necessary social distancing guidelines at all times. Therefore, in an effort to help control the spread of the COVID19 within SCDC's inmate population the SCDC is currently installing Ionizing Devices in all of SCDC's Correctional Facilities. The Ionizing Devices will help control the spread of the COVID19 and other viruses as well as bacteria, and mold by removing the hydrogen molecules which controls and helps prevents their airborne transmission. The only feasible method for SCDC to eliminate the COVID19 virus's ability to be transmitted via air or surface contact is needle point bi-polar ionization. The SC Department of Corrections number one priority to provide a safe living space to its inmate population.

The South Carolina Department of Corrections has entered in to an Emergency Procurement with Vision Aire Solutions of Little Mountain, SC to install air cleaning/purification devices in the Level 2 & Level 3 institutions. These units will be installed in the air handling units located within living areas of SCDC Correctional Facilities. The air handling units will transmit ions throughout the inmate living area utilizing the existing ductwork. These ions will prevent the COVID19 virus from being transmitted through the air.

The South Carolina Department of Corrections selected Vision Aire Solutions by soliciting quotes from multiple Vendors. Vision Aire Solutions was the only Vendor to respond and they have they have the ability to install the units in every Level 2 & 3 Correctional Institution throughout South Carolina. Vision Aire Solutions, LLC can complete one institution per week.

This Emergency Procurement has been put in place in order to avoid a potential threat to public health, welfare, or safety of SCDC Employees and SCDC Inmates as well as the safety and welfare of the private citizens that live in the communities surrounding the SCDC Institutions.

This notice is being posted in the South Carolina Business Opportunities (SCBO) for at least (5) business days as required by SC Code 11-35-4210 (1) (c) Right to Protest

SECTION 11-35-4210. Right to protest; procedure; duty and authority to attempt to settle; administrative review; stay of procurement.

- (1) Right to Protest.
- (c) Any actual or prospective bidder, offeror, contractor, or subcontractor who is aggrieved in connection with the intended award or award of a contract pursuant to Section 11-35-1560 or Section 11-35-1570 shall notify the appropriate chief procurement officer in writing of its intent to protest within five business days of the date that award or notification of intent to award, whichever is earlier, is posted in accordance with this code. Any actual or prospective bidder, offeror, contractor, or subcontractor who is aggrieved in connection with the intended award or award of such a contract and has timely notified the appropriate chief procurement officer of its intent to protest, may protest to the appropriate chief procurement officer in the manner stated in subsection (2) within fifteen days of the date award or notification of intent to award, whichever is earlier, is posted in accordance with this code; except that a matter that could have been raised pursuant to sub item (a) as a protest of the solicitation may not be raised as a protest of the award or intended award of a contract.

Chief Procurement Officer -Materials Management Office 1201 Main Street, Suite 600 -Columbia, SC 29201 Facsimile: 803-737-0639

JUSTIFICATION FOR

EMERGENCY PROCUREMENT

Based upon the following determination, the proposed procurement action described below is being procured pursuant to the authority of Section 11-35-1570 of the South Carolina Procurement Code and 19-445.2110 of the Rules and Regulations, 1976 South Carolina Code of Laws.

| This governmental body proposes to procureIonizing Devices for | |
|--|--|
| all Level II & III Institutions throughout The South Carolina Department of Corrections. | |
| as a emergency procurement from <u>Vision Aire Solutions</u> | |

The basis for this emergency determination and the reason no other vendor is suitable is: ____ Due to the design of The South Carolina Department of Corrections Facilities the Agency is unable to maintain the necessary social distancing guidelines at all times. Therefore, in an effort to help control the spread of the COVID19 within SCDC's inmate population the SCDC is currently installing Ionizing Devices in all of SCDC's Correctional Facilities. The Ionizing Devices will help control the spread of the COVID19 and other viruses as well as bacteria, and mold by removing the hydrogen molecules which controls and helps prevents their airborne transmission. The only feasible method for SCDC to eliminate the COVID19 virus's ability to be transmitted via air or surface contact is needle point bi-polar ionization. The SC Department of Corrections number one priority to provide a safe living and working space to its inmate population along with SCDC employees

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At this time SCDC has the following COVID19 statistics:

Employees:

| Staff | Stat |
|--|------------|
| | 482 (418 |
| 1. Number of COVID-19 POSITIVE employees: | Recovered) |
| 2. Number of employees being monitored at home secondary to illness (isolation): | 134 |
| 3. Number of employees being monitored at home secondary to exposure (quarantine): | 18 |
| 4. Number of employees being monitored at home secondary to travel (quarantine): | 0 |
| 5. Number of employees who have completed monitoring to date: | 4073 |
| 6. Number of employee COVID-19 related Deaths: | 2 |

| Inmates | Stat |
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| 1. Number of inmates tested: | 6692 |
| 2. Number of COVID-19 POSITIVE inmates: | 2168 (1534) |
| 3. Number of inmates being monitored secondary to illness (isolation): | 603 |
| 4. Number of inmates being monitored secondary to exposure (quarantine): | 5013 |
| 5. Number of inmates who have completed monitoring to date: | 9339 |
| 6. Number of inmate Deaths: | 31 |

The South Carolina Department of Corrections selected Vision Aire Solutions by soliciting quotes from multiple Vendors. Vision Aire Solutions was the only Vendor to respond and they have the ability to install the units in every Level 2 & 3 Correctional Institution throughout South Carolina. Vision Aire Solutions, LLC can complete one institution per week. These units will be installed in the air handling units located within living areas of SCDC Correctional Facilities. The air handling units will transmit ions throughout the inmate living area utilizing the existing ductwork. These ions will prevent the COVID19 virus from being transmitted through the air. It is the duty of The South Carolina Department of Corrections to ensure the safety and welfare of all SCDC inmates, employees and the public.

| September 30, 2020 | SC Department of Corrections |
|--------------------|------------------------------------|
| DATE | GOVERNMENTAL BODY |
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| | AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE |
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| | _Deputy Director of Administration |
| | TITLE |

NOTES:

- (1) Enter description of goods or services to be procured.
- (2) Enter name of emergency contractor.
- (3) Enter the determination and basis for emergency procurement.

THE DRUG FREE WORK PLACE ACT APPLIES TO ALL EMERGENCY PROCUREMENTS OF \$50,000 OR GREATER.

STATEMENT OF RIGHT TO FURTHER ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW

Protest Appeal Notice (Revised June 2019)

The South Carolina Procurement Code, in Section 11-35-4210, subsection 6, states:

(6) Finality of Decision. A decision pursuant to subsection (4) is final and conclusive, unless fraudulent or unless a person adversely affected by the decision requests a further administrative review by the Procurement Review Panel pursuant to Section 11-35-4410(1) within ten days of posting of the decision in accordance with subsection (5). The request for review must be directed to the appropriate chief procurement officer, who shall forward the request to the panel or to the Procurement Review Panel, and must be in writing, setting forth the reasons for disagreement with the decision of the appropriate chief procurement officer. The person also may request a hearing before the Procurement Review Panel. The appropriate chief procurement officer and an affected governmental body shall have the opportunity to participate fully in a later review or appeal, administrative or judicial.

Copies of the Panel's decisions and other additional information regarding the protest process is available on the internet at the following web site: http://procurement.sc.gov

FILING FEE: Pursuant to Proviso 111.1 of the 2019 General Appropriations Act, "[r]equests for administrative review before the South Carolina Procurement Review Panel shall be accompanied by a filing fee of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250.00), payable to the SC Procurement Review Panel. The panel is authorized to charge the party requesting an administrative review under the South Sections 11-35-4210(6), 11-35-4220(5), 11-35-4230(6) Carolina Code and/or 11-35-4410...Withdrawal of an appeal will result in the filing fee being forfeited to the panel. If a party desiring to file an appeal is unable to pay the filing fee because of financial hardship, the party shall submit a completed Request for Filing Fee Waiver form at the same time the request for review is filed. [The Request for Filing Fee Waiver form is attached to this Decision.] If the filing fee is not waived, the party must pay the filing fee within fifteen days of the date of receipt of the order denying waiver of the filing fee. Requests for administrative review will not be accepted unless accompanied by the filing fee or a completed Request for Filing Fee Waiver form at the time of filing." PLEASE MAKE YOUR CHECK PAYABLE TO THE "SC PROCUREMENT REVIEW PANEL."

LEGAL REPRESENTATION: In order to prosecute an appeal before the Panel, business entities organized and registered as corporations, limited liability companies, and limited partnerships must be represented by a lawyer. Failure to obtain counsel will result in dismissal of your appeal. *Protest of Lighting Services*, Case No. 2002-10 (Proc. Rev. Panel Nov. 6, 2002) and *Protest of The Kardon Corporation*, Case No. 2002-13 (Proc. Rev. Panel Jan. 31, 2003); and *Protest of PC&C Enterprises*, *LLC*, Case No. 2012-1 (Proc. Rev. Panel April 2, 2012). However, individuals and those operating as an individual doing business under a trade name may proceed without counsel, if desired.

South Carolina Procurement Review Panel Request for Filing Fee Waiver

1205 Pendleton Street, Suite 367, Columbia, SC 29201

| Name of F | Requestor | | Address | |
|-------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|--|-----------------|
| City | State | Zip | Business Phone | |
| 1. What is | your/your comp | any's monthly income? | | |
| 2. What ar | re your/your com | pany's monthly expens | es? | |
| 3. List any | other circumsta | nces which you think a | ffect your/your company's ability to pay | the filing fee: |
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| My Comm | nission expires: _ | | | |
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NOTE: If your filing fee request is denied, you will be expected to pay the filing fee within fifteen (15) days of the date of receipt of the order denying the waiver.