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Date: November 5, 2009

Subject: Letter of Clarification No. 1 for Dog Kennel Services for Houston Police
Department

Reference: Bid Inv. No: S30-L23453

To: All Prospective Contractors:

This Letter of Clarification is issued for the following reason:

- **Add page 7A of 52 entitled Exhibit "BB" Basic Kennel Requirements**

When issued, Letters of Clarification shall automatically become a part of the bid documents and shall supersede any previous specification and/or provision in conflict with the Letter of Clarification. It is the responsibility of the bidders to ensure that it has obtained all such letters. By submitting a bid on this project, bidders shall be deemed to have received all Letters of Clarification and to have incorporated them into this bid.

If you have any questions or if further clarification is needed regarding this solicitation, please contact me at 832-393-8736.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Richard Morris".

Richard Morris
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J Attachment: Page 7A of 32 entitled Exhibit "BB" Basic Kennel Requirements

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Attachment:

Exhibit “BB”

Basic Kennel Requirements

- Each kennel will have 4' x 6' indoor runs and 4' x 8' outdoor runs.
- Install concrete slabs for indoor runs.
- Slab must be coated with an epoxy coating to prohibit urine and other fluids from saturating the concrete in the kennels, which accentuates foul odors and inhibits bacterial to grow.
- The runs should be sloped to trench drains with a ¼" per foot slope.
- Install concrete slabs for outdoor runs.
 - The runs should be sloped to a trench drain with a ¼" per foot slope.
- Trench drains located at back of the kennel (on both, indoor and outdoor runs)
 - Install 6" wide removable grates.
 - Depth of the trench drains is 6 inches.
- Trench drains should slope naturally to the main sewer line connection.
- The trench drains require constant water flow access to flush out solid waste to the main sewer lines.
- Requires the installation of a ¼" flush line feeding the trench drains that can be manually operated.
- Requires a 6" drain line connection to the main sewer line from the trench drains.
- Clean outs should be located at the end of each trench drain tie-in to the main sewer lines.
- Use 3" wide CMU with an epoxy coating or ceramic glazed block for the partition walls.
 - Minimize connection seams in the kennels.
 - Floor to walls connections should have a seamless joint.
 - Minimize grout lines.
 - Minimize channeled wall or isolation wall mounting brackets.
- Galvanized components for upper partitions and other fencing.
- Minimum of 7' clearance height for each kennel.
 - Overhead fencing on each kennel to prevent dogs from climbing out of the kennel.
- Guillotine doors for the indoor run / outdoor run access.
 - Manually operated from outside the kennel.