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Date: September 20, 2012
Subject: Letter of Clarification No. 6
Reflective and Non-Reflective Material for Various Departments
Reference: Invitation to Bid (ITB) No.: S06-S24081

To All Prospective Bidders:

This Letter of Clarification is issued for the following reasons:

- To revise the above referenced solicitation as follows:
 1. At the City's electronic website, Line Item 14's Catalog's date has **changed** from February 2007" to 2012."
 2. At the City's electronic website, Line Item 9's description has **changed**.
- To answer the following questions:
 1. Question: *"Line Items 1, 5 and 13 have slightly different descriptions, but they are asking for the same grade of sheeting, ASTM D 4956-11a Type XI. Can they be combined?"*
Answer: *"No."*
 2. Question: *"After the first group, there are statements, "80100 Percentage discount proposed from 3M Traffic Safety System Division Price Catalog, dated February 1, 2007, or equal for any quantity as needed per specifications. Estimated Expenditure \$140,388.50. Why is the 3M's 2007 Catalog referenced here?" What is the required (?) percentage discount on the suppliers catalog? Is the Estimated Expenditure for the second Group? Or total of the two Groups."*
Answer: *"1) Reference Section C, page 34 of 36, Provision 30.0 **Brand Name** for clarification. 2) Reference Formal Instructions for Price List Bidders for Clarification. 3) The Estimated Expenditures are in regards to the referenced price list (second group) not the two groups."*
 3. Question: *"I would like to address an issue on the Line Item 9: Type II-P, SEG Punched 24" x 50 Y. Only plotter which can be adjusted to 24" sprocket setting is Suma's. Suma stopped manufacturing this type of plotters several years ago and moved to Friction Fed Plotters. To the best of my knowledge, I do not know anyone who can perforate sheeting in the width. Since this is unusual item, possibly sole source, we request the City to purchase it outside of the contract or make the item non-punched. Alternative to the City is to use Friction Fed Plotter. The City can use up 48" sheeting to cut legends and numerals."*
Answer: *"Line Item 9's description has been corrected."*

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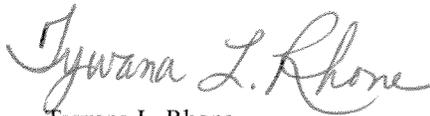
4. Question: *"We would like to file a Open Public Record (FOIA) with the City of Houston on the usage data of 24" perforated retroreflective sheeting (SEG) last three years."*

Answer: *"For Open Public Record Request e-mail ARAOpenRecordsRequest@houstontx.gov or you may visit the Strategic Purchasing Division website at <http://purchasing.houstontx.gov>, select online purchasing catalog and enter Reflective and Non-Reflective Materials."*

- Due to the aforementioned change to the e-bidding description you may need to edit your bid. To do so please select the "Bid Number" and proceed accordingly.

This Letter of Clarification will be considered part of the solicitation referenced on the first page of this document. All revisions, responses, and answers incorporated into the Letter(s) of Clarification are collaboratively from both the Strategic Purchasing Division and the applicable City Department(s).

Furthermore, it is the responsibility of each Supplier to obtain any previous Letter(s) of Clarification associated with this solicitation.



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