

BID INFORMATION MEMORANDUM

Fixed Price Competitive Bid Solicitation

Milk Transport, Inc.

99 Cranberry Road, Pine Township, Mercer County, Pennsylvania 16127

PADEP Facility ID #43-27468

PAUSTIF Claim #2010-0074(F)

The PAUSTIF understands and appreciates the effort necessary to prepare a well-conceived response to a bid solicitation. As a courtesy, the following summary information is being provided to the bidders.

Number of firms attending pre-bid meeting: 5

Number of bids received: 2

List of firms submitting bids: Insite Group, Inc.
Letterle & Associates, LLC

This was a “Bid to Result” and so technical approach was the most heavily weighted evaluation criteria. The range in cost between the two evaluated bids was \$97,026.00 to \$171,451.45. Based on the numerical scoring, one of the two bids was determined to meet the “Reasonable and Necessary” criteria established by the Regulations and was deemed acceptable by the evaluation committee for PAUSTIF funding. The claimant reviewed and selected the acceptable bid.

The selected bidder was Insite Group, Inc.: Bid Price – \$171,451.45.

The attached sheet lists some general comments regarding the evaluation of the bids that were received for this solicitation. These comments are intended to provide information regarding the bids that were received for this solicitation and to assist you in preparing bids for future solicitations.

GENERAL COMMENTS REGARDING EVALUATED BIDS

- Milestone B (Supplemental Site Characterization Activities and Reporting) of the Request for Bid (RFB) required, in part, that bid responses provide critical criteria to assist in evaluating the significance of the supplemental data obtained under this milestone with respect to assessing the feasibility of the bidder's proposed remedial approach. Defining these critical criteria in a "Bid to Result" type solicitation is necessary for determining whether the Pilot Study "Off-Ramp" / Changed Condition clause may possibly need to be invoked and assessing the three related contract choices available should site conditions vary from those expected (as defined in the RFB).
- Areas and depths proposed for systematic random soil sampling appeared to be insufficient and the PADEP could view the soil attainment demonstration as inadequate.
- The proposed depth for remedial injection borings appeared to be insufficient. Consequently, injectant distribution in the subsurface may not fully address residual smear zone soil impacts.
- The proposed approach for soil excavation would leave what could be a significant mass of impacted smear zone soil in-place that may not have been addressed. Such an approach may not be acceptable to the PADEP and could adversely affect the soil and groundwater attainment demonstrations.
- As specified in the RFB, the PADEP (has) approved an extended deadline of 6/30/13 for submitting the (Revised) RAP. Bid responses needed to either provide a work schedule that accommodated this deadline or propose submitting another RAP extension request to the PADEP. **Failure to adhere to the RFB specifications could result in a Notice of Violation being issued to the tank owner.**