

EXHIBIT "A"

HIDALGO COUNTY PRECINCT No. 4

"PIT RUN CALICHE"

BID NO. 2006-268-11-01-MSS

S P E C I F I C A T I O N S

1. Pit Run caliche base should conform to Texas Department of Transportation (TxDot), Standard Specifications for Construction of Highways, Streets and Bridges, 1995, Item 247, Type D material. The Physical and engineering properties of the material should meet the following requirements:

THE MAXIMUM SIZE AGGREGATE ALLOWED IN THE BASE MATERIAL SHALL BE 2 INCH AS DETERMINED BY GRADATION ANALYSIS USING SQUARE SIEVES.

ATTERBERG LIMITS

MAXIMUM LIQUID LIMIT.....40
MAXIMUM PLASTICITY INDEX.....12

2. It is intended that the amount of "PIT RUN CALICHE BASE" needed by Hidalgo County Precinct No. 4 will be purchased on an as needed basis. It shall be agreed & understood that Hidalgo County Precinct No. 4 will purchase no more material than is needed.
3. The contract will be in effect for a period of (1) one year from bid award date with the County's option to extend for an additional year under the same price, terms, and conditions. Prices must remain firm during the contract period.
Hidalgo County reserves the right to continue this bid for an additional (60) sixty day "Grace Period" at the end of the contract term due to unforeseen delay of award for next contract term.
4. Bid price shall be per ton.
5. **Hidalgo County reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive any or all formalities, or to accept the bid considered the best and most advantageous to the County, including compliance to bid specifications.** Location is an important factor in evaluation of the bids, due to transportation costs which must be taken into consideration if material is picked up at the plant site. Hidalgo County Precinct No. 4 reserves the right to hold the bids received

for a period of (90) ninety days without taking action hereon.

6. Hidalgo County reserves the right to award to one or more bidder(s) whichever is in the best interest of the County.
7. The contract shall remain in effect until contract expires, delivery /completion of services ordered or terminated by either party with a (30) thirty day written notice prior to any cancellation. The successful bidder(s) must state therein the reasons for such cancellation. Hidalgo County reserves the right to award canceled contract to next lowest bidder as it deems to be in the best interest of the County.
8. Insurance Certificates as per "Exhibit C" must be submitted to the Purchasing Department prior to any services being performed by the awarded bidder(s).
9. When requested, samples shall be furnished free of expense to Hidalgo County.
10. Testing may be performed at the request of Hidalgo County anytime during the length of the contract through an independent testing laboratory.
11. Continuing non-performance of the bidder in terms of specifications shall be basis for the terminator of the contract by the County. The County shall not pay for work, equipment, or supplies which are unsatisfactory. Vendors will be given a reasonable opportunity before termination to correct the deficiencies.
12. In the event the material furnished does not meet all the above requirements (regardless of weather, test's acceptability, method of repair or other conditions), the County reserves the option to require the material supplier to replace or to reimburse the County for the unused portion of material found to be unsatisfactory.
13. **Awarded Bidder shall have at the Bidder's Pit Location (c) (On Site) an electronic or manual scale with a Minimum of 70 Ft. in length.**
14. It is expressly understood and agreed that in case Hidalgo County should need "Pit Run Caliche Base" not available within the time frame needed from the successful vendor during the term of this contract, Hidalgo County reserves the right to purchase these items from other sources other than the successful vendor and shall not be in violation of any terms or conditions of said contract. Further, Hidalgo County reserves the right to seek another vendor if, at any time, vendor's prices do not conform to public pricing.
15. Further information regarding this project can be addressed to Mr. Juan Manuel Carranza

/ Chief Administrator, Hidalgo County Precinct No. 4 through the Hidalgo County Purchasing Department through Moises Salazar, buyer. Hidalgo County is also requesting that any and all questions, inquiries and clarifications regarding quotes, bids, proposal or statement of qualifications be addressed to Martha L. Salazar, CPPB, Purchasing Agent, at 100 East Cano, 4th Floor, Edinburg, Texas 78539. **TELEPHONE INQUIRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**

16. All written inquiries will be accepted via facsimile no later than, Wednesday, October 25, 2006 at 5:00 P.M.. at (956) 318-2629. Responses to said inquiries will be sent to all applicants via facsimile by no later than 5:00 P.M., Friday, October 27, 2006.

EXHIBIT "B"
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BID PAGE

BID PRICE PER TON: \$ _____

LOCATION OF PIT(S): _____

BIDDER/COMPANY NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP CODE: _____

PHONE & FAX NO.'S: _____

CELLULAR & BEEPER NO.'S: _____

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE: _____

PRINTED NAME: _____

TITLE: _____

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