



Hidalgo County Purchasing Office
 2812 S. Business Highway 281
 New Administration Building
 Edinburg, Texas 78539
 (956) 318-2626/ Fax: (956) 318-2629

M E M O R A N D U M

To: Eduardo Olivarez, Chief Administrator
 Hidalgo Cty. Health & Human Services

Attn: Josie Escalante

via email: josie.escalante@hchd.org

From: Sandra Montalvo, Buyer
 Hidalgo County Purchasing Dept.

Date: January 22, 2010

Re: Bid No. 2010-045-02-00-SMA-Approval of Specifications for "Purchase of MOSQUITO CONTROL CHEMICALS"-HIDALGO COUNTY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Please review the following **SPECIFICATIONS** and verify if all requirements are met by signing below and indicating **APPROVE** (or) **DISAPPROVE**. If the specifications are **NOT** met, make any and all additional modifications necessary and return the revised copy to purchasing department.


If you have any questions, please call me at (956) 318-2626 ext# 4865.

APPROVE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	DISAPPROVE <input type="checkbox"/>
APPROVED WITH MODIFICATIONS <input type="checkbox"/>	

FUNDS AVAILABILITY: YES / NO / Other

(Specify) _____

BUDGET ACCOUNT #: 0-1100-441-00-340-001-0-609 EB

	<i>Eduardo Olivarez</i>	<i>Health + Human Serv</i>	<i>1/22/10</i>
AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE	PRINTED NAME	DEPARTMENT	DATE

SUBMIT THIS FORM TO THE HIDALGO COUNTY PURCHASING DEPARTMENT, VIA FAX TO (956) 292-7612 or e-mail: sandra.montalvo@co.hidalgo.tx.us by no later than, January 26, 2010 @ 12:00 p.m.

Enclosures

Bid No: 2010-045-02-00	Buyer: Sandra Montalvo	Tel. No: (956) 318-2626 Ext. 4865
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REQUEST FOR BIDS

HIDALGO COUNTY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES “PURCHASE OF MOSQUITO CONTROL CHEMICALS”

**BID OPENING DATE:
FEBRUARY 00, 2010**

Contact Person:

Martha L. Salazar, CPPB, Purchasing Agent

Hidalgo County Purchasing Department

Physical Address: 2802 S. Business Hwy. 281 -New Administration Building

Mailing/Postal Address: 2812 S. Business Hwy. 281

Edinburg, Texas 78539

1. Sealed bids will be received for **“HIDALGO COUNTY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES – PURCHASE OF MOSQUITO CONTROL CHEMICALS”** in accordance with the specifications attached as Exhibit "A" hereto. Bids should address all specifications set forth. Bidders may suggest substitutions of features which they feel would be in the best interest of Hidalgo County ("County"). Strong rationale must be presented for any deviation from the specifications. Hidalgo County reserves the right to reject the deviation and its effect on the overall bid.
2. One (1) original and Three (3) copies of all bids are required with the bidders name and return address clearly typed/printed on upper left hand corner and the proper notation clearly typed/printed on the lower left hand corner of the envelope and/or package: **"RFB-2010-045-02-00-SMA- HIDALGO COUNTY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES –PURCHASE OF MOSQUITO CONTROL CHEMICALS** and in County's Purchasing Department, physical address: 2812 S. Business Hwy. 281, mailing address: 2812 S. Business 281- New Administration Building, Edinburg, Texas, **on or before 9:30 A.M., WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 00, 2010. NO FACSIMILES OR LATE ARRIVALS WILL BE ACCEPTED. ANY RFB RECEIVED AFTER THAT TIME WILL NOT BE OPENED AND WILL BE RETURNED. OVERNIGHT MAIL MUST ALSO BE PROPERLY LABELED ON THE OUTSIDE OF EXPRESS ENVELOPE OR PACKAGE WITH REFERENCE TO "RFB-2010-045-02-00-SMA- PURCHASE OF MOSQUITO CONTROL CHEMICALS."**

Hidalgo County reserves the right to refuse and reject any/all RFB and to waive any/all formalities or technicalities, or to accept the RFB considered the best and most advantageous to Hidalgo County..

3. Hidalgo County reserves the right to: A.) separate and accept, or eliminate any item(s) listed under this bid that it deems necessary to accommodate budgetary and/or operational requirements; B.) reject any or all bids submitted and further reserves the right to design the evaluation criteria to be used in selecting the lowest and best bid for approval; and C.) award the bid to one bidder or to multiple bidders if the County determines it is in its best interest to do so.”
4. The Bidder shall not substitute items named in the bid without the express written consent of Hidalgo County. Failure of the delivered item to perform as specified or failure to meet the stated delivery schedule shall release Hidalgo County from all obligations to the contracting party with regard to the item(s) in question. In such event, County may elect to award the contract to the next-lowest responsible bidder, or to reject all bids and re-advertise.
5. For work to be performed at a County owned or operated location, each bidder shall, in its sole discretion, visit the job site before preparing the bid and thoroughly familiarize himself/herself with existing conditions. Bidder should take field dimensions and note all circumstances which affect the dollar amount of the bid.
6. Descriptive specifications are referenced in this document to indicate the general kind and quality of equipment desired by Hidalgo County. Due to various styles and models

of equipment, bidders are required to include illustrations, specifications, explanation of warranties, and service data with their bid including catalogue numbers and any

necessary references.

7. No bid may be withdrawn within thirty (30) days from the scheduled time to open bids.
8. Proposed prices are to remain firm for a minimum of ninety (90) days after bid opening.
9. Any interpretations, amendments, corrections or changes to this bid document must be in a written addendum and signed by the County Judge or his designee. Addenda will be mailed to all who are known to have received a copy of the Request for Bids. Bidders shall acknowledge receipt of all addenda as a part of their bid.
10. County reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.
11. Costs are to be net F.O.B., County Prepaid.
12. County is exempt from Federal Excise Tax, State Tax and Local Tax. Do Not include tax in cost figure. If it is determined that tax was included in the cost figures it will not be included in the tabulation of any awards. Tax exemption certificates will be furnished upon request.
13. Funds for this procurement have been provided through the County budget for this fiscal year only. County, on an annual basis, has the right to reconsider a contract during the budget process for ensuing years if financial resources of County are insufficient to meet the liabilities of said contract. The award of a bid or contract hereunder will not be construed to create a debt of the County which is payable out of funds beyond the current fiscal year.
14. Upon award and prior to execution of a contract, Sole Proprietorships are required to submit a copy of their social security cards to the Hidalgo County Auditor's Office in order to establish an account with the County. All awarded vendors must submit a completed W-9 and a copy of their Federal ID Number Certificate.

15. **DELIVERY INSTRUCTIONS:**

- No deliveries accepted after 3:00 P.M., Monday-Friday.
- At least seventy two (72) hours prior notice of delivery must be given to Martha L. Salazar, Purchasing Agent before delivery will be accepted.
- If you need additional information call the office listed below:

Hidalgo County Purchasing Department
Martha L. Salazar, Purchasing Agent
(956) 318-2626

16. **BILLING AND PAYMENT INSTRUCTIONS:**

- Invoices must include:
 - a) Name and address of successful bidder
 - b) Name and address of receiving department or official

- c) Purchase Order Number (if any)
- d) Notation - "HIDALGO COUNTY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES-PURCHASE OF MOSQUITO CONTROL CHEMICALS" Descriptive information as to the items or services delivered, including product code, item number, quantity, etc.

- Discount payments will be considered when offered.
- Contact person for Billing and Payment questions:

Attn: Eduardo Olivarez
 HIDALGO COUNTY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
 1304 S. 25th Street
 Edinburg, Tx 78539
 (956) 383-6221

17. **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

Bid Opening, 9:30 AM	<u>February 00, 2010</u>
Award of Contract	_____, 2010
Commence Work or Deliver Products	_____, 2010

18. **BID OR PERFORMANCE BOND AND DEBARMENT CERTIFICATION; PAYMENT UNDER CONTRACT:**

- If the contract proposed is for the construction of public works or is for a contract for goods & services exceeding \$100,000, all bidders shall furnish a good and sufficient bid bond in the amount of five percent of the total contract price. A bid bond must be executed with a surety company authorized to do business in Texas. All bidders are also required to furnish a certification or acknowledgment stating that the contractor or vendor is free from suspension or debarment pursuant to federal regulation 45CFR Part 76.
- Together with the signing of a contract or issuance of a purchase order following the acceptance of a bid, and prior to commencement of the actual work, the bidder shall furnish a performance bond to the County for the full amount of the contract, if that contract exceeds \$50,000.
- If the contract is for \$50,000 or less, no money will be paid to the contractor until completion and acceptance of the work or the fulfillment of the purchase obligation to the County, and, if applicable, the receipt by County of satisfactory evidence that all subcontractors and material men have been paid.
- If a contract is for the construction, alteration or repair of public buildings or public works, the contractor *shall* provide a payment bond for a contract in excess of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00), as required by Tex. Govt. Code Ch. 2253.
- For requirements contracts, bond requirements are determined by applying the proposed unit price to the estimated quantities included in the specifications.

damages, and shall, upon request, provide a defense to County by counsel reasonably acceptable to County. Successful bidder's indemnity hereunder shall include, but is not limited to, claims relating to patent, copyright or trademark infringement, and the like, arising out of the goods and services provided by successful bidder.

28. Successful bidder shall warrant that all items/services shall conform with the specifications and/or all warranties provided under the Uniform Commercial Code and be free from all defects in material, workmanship and the like. Items supplied under a contract pursuant to this Request for Bids shall be subject to County's approval. Items found to be defective or not meeting specifications shall be replaced by successful bidder within two business days at no expense to County. Items not picked up within one (1) week after notification shall be deemed a donation to County and may be used or disposed of at County's discretion and without waiver of any other rights of County as to the item's nonconformity.
29. This document and any disputes arising hereunder shall be governed and construed according to the laws of the State of Texas, and will be performable exclusively in Hidalgo County, Texas.
30. The successful bidder shall not assign, sell, transfer or convey its rights under any awarded contract, in whole or in part, without the prior written consent of County.

Bid
For
HIDALGO COUNTY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
“PURCHASE OF MOSQUITO CONTROL CHEMICAL”
BID NO.: 2010-045-02-00-SMA

To: Martha L. Salazar, CPPB, Purchasing Agent
 Hidalgo County Purchasing Department
 Physical Address: 2802 S. Business Hwy. 281 -New Administration Building
 Mailing/Postal Address: 2812 S. Business Hwy. 281
 Edinburg, Texas 78539

In accordance with the Specifications, and subject to all laws and regulations of the United States and state and local laws, the undersigned bidder proposes and commits to furnish all labor, equipment, material, software and services as set forth in the documents hereinbefore mentioned. The undersigned bidder further agrees, upon acceptance of its bid, to execute a contract and/or Purchase Order issued by Hidalgo County for performing and completing the work described in the Specifications within the time stated and for the prices proposed in the documents attached hereto and made a part hereof.

Bidder acknowledges receipt of all of the pages of the documents referenced in the Invitation to Bid Checklist presented in connection with this procurement. Bidder understands that Hidalgo County reserves the right to reject any or all bids and further reserves the right to design the evaluation criteria to be used in selecting the lowest and best bid.

Bidder agrees that this bid shall be good and may not be withdrawn for a period of ninety (90) calendar days after the scheduled closing time for receiving bids, as contained in the Specifications.

Respectfully submitted,

Bidder: _____
 Address: _____
 By: _____
 Printed Name: _____
 Title: _____

EXHIBIT “A”
SPECIFICATIONS/REQUIREMENTS

**HIDALGO COUNTY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
REQUEST FOR BID
“PURCHASE OF MOSQUITO CONTROL CHEMICALS”**

RFB: 2010-045-02-00-SMA

EXHIBIT "A"
HIDALGO COUNTY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
"Purchase of Mosquito Control Chemicals"
 Bid No. 2010-045-02-00-SMA

BID SPECIFICATIONS:

1. **Scope:** Vendor shall provide "Purchase of Mosquito Control Chemicals" as herein specified for Hidalgo County. The contract term is for a period of one (1) year with Hidalgo County's sole discretion to extend the contract for an additional sixty (60) day grace period **at the end of the contract term** for unforeseen delay in the award of the new bid and contingent upon cost to remain unchanged.
2. All "Purchases Of Mosquito Control Chemicals" will be on an "**as needed basis.**" There is no guarantee volume. Hidalgo County may seek purchases from state awarded vendors or any other cooperative purchasing programs, whenever it is in the best interest to do so.
3. **Description of items:** The brand name references are for description only, and are not intended to exclude other mosquito control chemical products of equal quality and composition. Bidders desiring to substitute items may do so provided brand name is indicated on **Bid Form**.

Item #	Description:
1.	<p><u>Permanone or equivalent</u>, ready to use insecticide to contain:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Permethrin 3-(phenoxyphenyl) methyl (+/-) cis/trans 3-(2,2-dichloroethenyl) 2,2 dimethyl cyclopropanecarboxylate, Cis/trans ratio: Max 65% (+/-) trans and min. 35% (+/-) cis..... 3.98% -Piperonyl Butoxide Technical -Equivalent to min. 6.784%(butylcarbityl)(6-propylpiperonyl) ether and 1.696% related compounds.....8.48% -Contains petroleum distillates -Contains 0.289 lbs/gallon Permanone and 0.616 lbs/gallon butacide. -Must be ready to use formulation for ULV application.
2.	<p><u>Summit B.t.i. Briquets or equivalent</u> to contain:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Active Ingredient: Bacillus thuringiensis subspecies isralensis solids, spores and insecticidal toxins.....10.31% -Inert Ingredients: 7000 Aedes aegypti (AA) International Toxic Units (ITU) per milligram primary powder (Dray weight basis).....89.69% -Floating sustained-release larvicide for long-term control of mosquito and psychodid fly larvae. -Biological control of mosquitos & psychodid flies.

4. **Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS):** Bidders shall attach to bid form a current Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) and current labels for chemicals. Failure to do may result in rejection of the bid.
5. **Delivery Charges:** All delivery, unloading of product and freight charges, shall be included in the bid price and F.O.B. Hidalgo County Health Department, 1304 South 25th Street, Edinburg, Texas 78539 or to the address(es) specified on the purchase order during normal working hours, unless otherwise authorized by the Purchasing Agent or designee. Bidder bears freight charges. All prices must be written in ink or typewritten.

6. **Bid Prices:** Bid price shall be per unit, packed with unbroken seals that are sealed by the manufacturer.
7. **Bid Award:** Bid will be awarded to the lowest, responsive, responsible bidder meeting all specifications based upon individual line items, sections or total bid. One or more bidder(s) may be designated as approved vendor(s) for "Purchases Of Mosquito Control Chemicals" for Hidalgo County. Hidalgo County reserves the right to award separate/multiple contracts when it is in the County's best interest to do so. The County of Hidalgo reserves the right to increase or decrease the quantity purchased based on weather conditions and availability of funds. After bid award and low bidder(s) default(s) in meeting the general instructions to bidders and/or comply with contractual agreement, Hidalgo County reserves the right to seek services from the next low bidder(s). In such event, County shall charge the successful bidder(s) the difference for any additional cost of such item(s).
8. **Purchase Orders:** Purchase order(s) shall be generated by the Hidalgo County Purchasing Agent to the successful vendor. The purchase order number must appear on all itemized invoices and packing slips. The County will not be held responsible for any orders placed without a valid current purchase order number. Payment will be made for all orders received and accepted by the user department. Purchase orders for "Purchase Of Mosquito Control Chemicals" will be released to the successful bidder(s) on **an as-needed basis. MINIMUM ORDERS ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE.** Hidalgo County reserves the right to purchase specified mosquito control chemicals whenever necessary through the Texas Building and Procurement Commission (TBPC) term contract if available.
9. **Contract Term:** Bid prices shall remain firm for a period of one year, from the award date with the County's option to extend for an additional sixty (60) day Grace Period.
10. **Insurance Requirements:** Vendor must meet Hidalgo County insurance requirements and shall submit documentation requested on Exhibit "C".
11. All costs and expenses associated with the preparation and submission of (bids, proposals and/or quotes) shall be the responsibility of the bidder and no reimbursements for such charges or expenses shall be passed onto Hidalgo County.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Hidalgo County is requesting that any and all questions, inquiries, and clarifications regarding this bid to be addressed to: Martha L. Salazar, CPPB, Purchasing Agent, 2812 S. Business Hwy. 281, Edinburg, Texas 78539. **TELEPHONE INQUIRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**

ALL WRITTEN INQUIRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED VIA FACSIMILE TO (956) 292-7612 OR VIA E-MAIL TO sandra.montalvo@co.hidalgo.tx.us by NO LATER THAN, February 00, 2010, 5:00 P.M. Responses will be sent to all applicants via facsimile or e-mail by no later than, **5:00 P.M., February 00, 2010.**

REQUIREMENTS AGREEMENT

C-00-000-00-00

THIS AGREEMENT (the "Agreement") is entered into effective as of _____ by and between _____, ("Seller") and **HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS** ("Buyer").

WHEREAS, Buyer has solicited proposals for the supply of its requirements of Hidalgo County "**MOSQUITO CONTROL CHEMICALS,**" as further described in Exhibit "A" which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference for all purposes (the "Products") for a period of one year; and

WHEREAS, Seller has submitted a proposal to supply Buyer's requirements; and

WHEREAS, Buyer has determined that Seller has submitted the lowest and best bid to meet Buyer's requirements for the Product.

NOW THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the mutual covenants and conditions hereinafter set forth, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. Buyer agrees to purchase from Seller, and Seller agrees to sell to Buyer, all of the Products that Buyer may require for use by Buyer in "**MOSQUITO CONTROL CHEMICALS**" in an area of Hidalgo County projects for a period of one year from the effective date of this Agreement, and it is agreed that the Products will meet the specifications set forth in Exhibit "A" hereto.

2. When Buyer determines that it needs a quantity of the Products to be delivered, it will, according to its Purchasing Policies, complete and submit to Seller a Purchase Order describing the type and quantity of the Products required. The Products are to be delivered by Buyer to the location in Hidalgo County specified by Buyer in its Purchase Order.

3. Buyer agrees to pay Seller for each Purchase Order based on the prices set out in Exhibit "B". Seller shall render invoices for each Purchase Order, and the invoices shall be paid by Buyer on or before the 30th day following receipt of the invoice.

4. General Provisions.

a. **Conflict with Applicable Law.** Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed so as to require the commission of any act contrary to law, and whenever there is any conflict between any provision of this Agreement and any present or future law, ordinance or administrative, executive or judicial regulation, order or decree, or amendment thereof, contrary to which the parties have no legal right to contract, the latter shall prevail, but in such event the affected provision or provisions of this Agreement shall be modified only to the extent necessary to bring them within the legal requirements and only during the time such conflict exists.

b. **No Waiver.** No waiver by Buyer of any breach of any provision of this Agreement shall be deemed to be a waiver of any preceding or succeeding breach of the same or any other provision hereof.

c. **Entire Agreement.** This Agreement contains the entire contract between the parties hereto, and each party acknowledges that neither has made (either directly or through any agent or representative) any representations or agreements in connection with this Agreement not specifically set forth herein. This Agreement may be modified or amended only by agreement in writing executed by Buyer and Seller, and not otherwise.

d. **Texas Law to Apply.** This Agreement shall be construed under and in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas, and all obligations of the parties created hereunder are performable in Hidalgo County, Texas. The parties hereby consent to personal jurisdiction in Hidalgo County, Texas.

e. **Notice.** Except as may be otherwise specifically provided in this Agreement, all notices, demands, requests or communications required or permitted hereunder shall be in writing and shall either be (i) personally delivered against a written receipt, or (ii) sent by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid and addressed to the parties at the addresses set forth below, or at such other addresses as may have been theretofore specified by written notice delivered in accordance herewith:

If to Buyer: **HIDALGO COUNTY
ATTENTION: COUNTY JUDGE
100 E. CANO, 2ND FLOOR
EDINBURG, TEXAS 78539**

If to Seller: **COMPANY NAME
ATTN: CONTACT PERSON
ADDRESS
CITY, STATE ZIP CODE**

Each notice, demand, request or communication which shall be delivered or mailed in the manner described above shall be deemed sufficiently given for all purposes at such time as it is personally delivered to the addressee or, if mailed, at such time as it is deposited in the United States mail.

f. **Additional Documents.** The parties hereto covenant and agree that they will execute such other and further instruments and documents as are or may become necessary or convenient to effectuate and carry out the terms of this Agreement.

g. **Successors.** This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective heirs, executors, administrators, legal representatives, successors, and assigns where permitted by this Agreement.

h. **Assignment.** This Agreement shall not be assignable.

i. **Headings.** The headings and captions contained in this Agreement are solely for convenient reference and shall not be deemed to affect the meaning or interpretation of any provision or paragraph hereof.

j. **Gender and Number.** All pronouns used in this Agreement shall include the other gender, whether used in the masculine, feminine or neuter gender, and the singular shall include the plural whenever and as often as may be appropriate

k. **Authority to Execute.** The execution and performance of this Agreement by Buyer and Seller have been duly authorized by all necessary laws, resolutions or corporate action, and this Agreement constitutes the valid and enforceable obligations of Buyer and Seller in accordance with its terms.

l. **Commitment of Current Revenues Only.** In the event that, during any term hereof, the Commissioners Court does not appropriate sufficient funds to meet the obligations of Buyer under this Agreement, Buyer may terminate this Agreement upon ninety (90) days written notice to Seller. Buyer agrees, however, to use reasonable efforts to secure funds necessary for the continued performance of this Agreement. The parties intend this provision to be a continuing right to terminate this Agreement at the expiration of each budget period of Buyer pursuant to the provisions of Tex. Loc. Govt. Code Ann. § 271.903 (Vernon Supp. 1996).

m. **Purchasing Ethics.** Seller represents and warrants it has not, during the process of being awarded this contract violated the following ethical standards of Buyer and, upon and after the execution of this Agreement, agrees to abide by the following ethical standards of Buyer:

(1) It shall be a breach of ethics to offer, give or agree to give any elected official, department head or employee, or former elected official, department head or employee, of Hidalgo County, or for any elected official, department head or employee or former elected official, department head or employee of Hidalgo County, to solicit, demand, accept or agree to accept from another person, entity or organization, a gratuity or an officer of employment in connection with any decision, approval, disapproval, recommendation, preparation or any part of a program requirement or purchase request, influencing the content of any specification or procurement standard, rendering of advise, investigation, auditing, or in any other advisory capacity in any proceeding or application, request for ruling, determination, claim or controversy, or other particular matter pertaining to any program requirement or a contract or subcontract, or to any solicitation or proposal therefor pending before any department or agency of Hidalgo County.

(2) It shall be a breach of ethics for any payment, gratuity or offer of employment to be made by or on behalf of a subcontractor under a contract to the prime contractor or higher tier subcontractor for any contract for Hidalgo County, or any person associated therewith, as an inducement for the award of a subcontract or order.

EXECUTED effective as of the day and year first above written.

HIDALGO COUNTY

By: _____
Rene Ramirez, **County Judge**

ATTEST:

Arturo Guajardo, Jr., County Clerk

COMPANY:

By: _____

Printed Name: _____

Title: _____

Approved as to form:
Atlas & Hall, L. L. P.

By: _____