



Monday, April 1, 2024

Addendum # 3

RFP NO.: 101347
OPENING: **UPDATED:** Friday, April 26, 2024, at 1:00 PM (EST)
COMMODITY: Pouring Rights

Please see the information below relating to the above referenced RFP.

1. Opening Date has been extended to **Friday, April 26, 2024, at 1:00 PM (EST)**
2. Please see the following questions that were submitted by 1:00 PM (EST) March 22, 2024, followed by the URI answers.

Vendor #1:

1. Please confirm that the RFP opening and bid due date are the same?

Answer: Correct, the RFP opening, and RFP due date are the same. Now due on Friday, April 26, 2024, 1:00 PM (EST).

Vendor #2

1. Cover – Timeline

- a. Is the deadline of 4/19 able to be extended?

Answer: Yes, the RFP opening has now extended to Friday, April 29, 2024 at 1:00 PM (EST).

2. Pg.1 - Introduction

- a. If Bidding Vendor Chooses to handle their own beverage vending, can the snack vending be separated from the RFP.

Answer: Yes

- b. Or would the bidding Vendor still be responsible for subcontracting a snack vendor?

Answer: URI can subcontract through the state.

3. Pg.7 - It is stated that URI will reserve the right to source outside of the contract but will not exceed 20% of total beverage products.

- a. Is the Volume represented in Attachment 1 representative of the total volume including what the 20% space allocation was used for.

Answer: No.

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b. If not, could the full volume be provided, including the 20%, contract volume & Vending Volume

Answer: That would not be easy to break out as most beverages that are not under the PR contract come in from multiple vendors and only consist of approximately 3-5% currently.

4. Pg. 7 & Pg.9 Section 3.8 – University mentions “Single-use Plastic”

a. Can you also provide further detail pertaining to how the University plans to limit the use of single-use plastics?

Answer: The state of RI has recently enacted legislation banning the use of plastic bags in retail locations. Looking forward preference will be given to beverage companies that offer beverages in alternate packaging materials (i.e. glass and aluminum).

b. Does the University consider/define RPET (Recycled Plastic) as Single-use plastic?

Answer: Yes

5. Pg. 8 Section 3.4

a. Can the University Clarify if when Referencing “Branded” Cups, do you mean the “Vendors” brand or “URI” brand.

Answer: Vendor brand (if required by the vendor).

6. Pg.12 – Technical Proposal

a. If the beverage vending business is supplied by bidding Vendor, how would the snack vendor be represented in the technical proposal.

i. Included all together.

ii. Separated from full beverage technical proposal.

iii. Not included because university would separately contract out a snack vendor.

Answer: Separated from full beverage technical proposal.

7. Pg.17 – Formatting

a. Is the technical proposal to be completed in word or is in PowerPoint acceptable?

Answer: Word is preferred but a PowerPoint is acceptable as long as it tracks with the outline provided in the RFP.

b. Are charts & graphs acceptable or for the technical proposal or should It be all typed out per the font and page settings listed in RFP requirements?

Answer: Charts and graphs can be used but they should be supported with corresponding data.

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8. Addendum 1&2

a. Do the addendum's need to be signed and acknowledged.

Answer: Yes, please sign below.

9. Attachment 2 & 3

a. Historical Data from the previous RFP shows that the volume totals provided by Coca-Cola may not be accurate (for Ex, compared to previous RFP data shows an approximate +50% higher volume usage than what is currently provided) . Can we request to re-confirm total with Current Beverage Provider and Populate in for the following format:

i. Full Year Term (as currently showing)

1. Fountain Volume (Reported in Gallons)

a. We request gallons due to boxes being in different sizes based on providers.

Answer: No additional data is available at this time.

2. Bottle & Can Volume

a. Please Include the additional 20% outside source Volume.

Answer: Since this amount is a maximum and URI is close to a standard deviation amount no additional information will be provided.

3. Vending

a. Can the Vending Commissions total be provided in total Cases?

Answer: Vending information is commission based; any additional information can be requested from Prestige vending.

Vendor must acknowledgement receipt of this addendum by signing, dating, and attaching the addendum #3 to technical proposal:

Vendor Signature

Date:

If you have already submitted a bid and need to make changes based on the information with the addendum, please submit a new bid response and indicate that the submission supersedes the prior.

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