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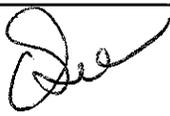


BID/PROPOSAL

COMMODITY: HIGH PRESSURE VESSEL DESIGN & FABRICATION DATE: 7/27/2012

FORMAL BID NO. _____ PUBLIC BID NO. 2279 RFP NO. _____

BIDS ARE TO BE RECEIVED IN URI PURCHASING DEPARTMENT BY: DATE: 8/20/2012 TIME: 3:00 PM

BUYER: **DEBRA LEE/ ew**  SURETY REQUIRED: YES: _____ NO: X

PRE-BID/PROPOSAL CONFERENCE: DATE: _____ TIME: _____

MANDATORY: YES: _____ NO: _____

LOCATION: _____

**BE SURE ALL INFORMATION SHOWN BELOW IS CORRECT.
FEDERAL EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER MUST BE INCLUDED.**

COMPANY NAME: _____ FEIN: _____

STREET AND NUMBER: _____

CITY, STATE & ZIP CODE: _____

ORDERING E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

**No offer will be considered that is not accompanied by the attached
University of Rhode Island Bidder Certification Form/Contract Offer
completed and signed by the offeror.**

Print Name and Title

Telephone Number/Facsimile Number

Signature

Date

Company F.E.I.N.

THIS BID WILL NOT BE HONORED UNLESS SIGNED

The University of Rhode Island is an equal opportunity employer committed to the principles of affirmative action.

University of Rhode Island Bidder Certification Form/Contract Offer

ALL OFFERS ARE SUBJECT TO THE REQUIREMENTS, PROVISIONS AND PROCEDURES CONTAINED IN THIS CERTIFICATION FORM/CONTRACT OFFER. Offerors are expected to read, sign and comply with all requirements. Failure to do so may be grounds for disqualification of the offer contained herein.

Rules for Submitting Offers

This Certification Form/Contract Offer must be attached in its entirety to the front of the offer and shall be considered an integral part of each offer made by a vendor to enter into a contract with the University of Rhode Island. As such, submittal of the entire Bidder Certification Form/Contract Offer, signed by a duly authorized representative of the offeror attesting that he/she (1) has read and agrees to comply with the requirements set forth herein and (2) to the accuracy of the information provided and the offer extended, is a mandatory part of any contract award.

To assure that offers are considered on time, each offer must be submitted with the specific Bid/RFP/LOI number, date and time of opening marked in the upper left hand corner of the envelope. Each bid/offer must be submitted in separate sealed envelopes.

A complete signed (in ink) offer package must be delivered to the University of Rhode Island Purchasing Office by the time and date specified for the opening of responses in a sealed envelope.

Bids must be submitted on the URI bid solicitation forms provided, indicating brand and part numbers of items offered, as appropriate. Bidders must submit detailed cuts and specs on items offered as equivalent to brands requested WITH THE OFFER. Bidders must be able to submit samples if requested.

Documents misdirected to other State locations or which are not present in the University of Rhode Island Purchasing Office at the time of opening for whatever cause will be deemed to be late and will not be considered. For the purposes of this requirement, the official time and date shall be that of the time clock in the reception area of the University of Rhode Island Purchasing Office. Postmarks shall not be considered proof of timely submission.

RIVIP SOLICITATIONS. To assure maximum access opportunities for users, public bid/RFP/LOI solicitations shall be posted on the RIVIP for a minimum of seven days and no amendments shall be made within the last five days before the date an offer is due. When the result of an internet solicitation is unsuccessful, the University of Rhode Island will cancel the original solicitation and resolicit the original offer directly from vendors.

PRICING. Offers are irrevocable for sixty (60) days from the opening date (or such other extended period set forth in the solicitation), and may not be withdrawn, except with the express permission of the University Purchasing Agent. All pricing will be considered to be firm and fixed unless otherwise indicated. The University of Rhode Island is exempt from Federal excise taxes and State Sales and Use Taxes. Such taxes shall not be included in the bid price. PRICES QUOTED ARE FOB DESTINATION.

DELIVERY and PRODUCT QUALITY. All offers must define delivery dates for all items; if no delivery date is specified, it is assumed that immediate delivery from stock will be made. The contractor will be responsible for delivery of materials in first class condition. Rejected materials will be at the vendor's expense.

PREVAILING WAGE and OSHA SAFETY TRAINING REQUIREMENTS. The provisions of the State labor laws and OSHA Safety Training, including but not limited to Rhode Island General Laws §37-13-1 et seq. and §28-20-1 et seq. shall apply for all public works contracts. Prevailing wage rates are posted in the information section of the RIVIP. The RI Department of Labor and Training should be contacted for regulatory requirements.

Apprenticeship Rhode Island General Laws §37-13-3.1 requires all general contractors and subcontractors who perform work on any public works contract awarded by the state/URI valued at One Million dollars (\$1,000,000) or more shall employ apprentices required for the performance of the awarded contract. The number of apprentices shall comply with the apprentice to journeyman ratio for each trade approved by the apprenticeship council of the department of labor and training.

In addition to executing this certification, the general contractor shall be responsible for requiring that all subcontractors on the awarded project certify their compliance with R.I. Gen. Laws §37-13-3.1 prior to allowing the subcontractor to commence work on the awarded project. The general contractor shall be responsible for submitting the subcontractors' compliance certification to the University of Rhode Island Purchasing Office after the contracts are finalized between the contractor and subcontractor.

PUBLIC RECORDS. Offerors are advised that all materials submitted to the University for consideration in response to this solicitation will be considered without exception to be Public Records pursuant to Title 38 Chapter 2 of the Rhode Island General Laws, and will be released for inspection immediately upon request once an award has been made. Offerors are encouraged to attend public bid/RFP openings to obtain information; however, bid/RFP response summaries may be reviewed after award(s) have been made by visiting the Rhode Island Vendor Information Program (RIVIP) at www.purchasing.ri.gov, Bidding Opportunities +, Other RI Bid Opportunities or appearing in person at the University of Rhode Island Purchasing Office Mondays through Fridays between 8:30 am – 3:30 pm. Telephone requests for results will not be honored. Written requests for results will only be honored if the information is not available on the RIVIP.

Award will be made to the responsive and responsible offeror quoting the lowest net price in accordance with specifications, for any individual item(s), for major groupings of items, or for all items listed, at the University's sole option.

BID SURETY. Where bid surety is required, bidder must furnish a bid bond or certified check for 5% of the bid total with the bid, or for such other amount as may be specified. Bids submitted without a required bid surety will not be considered.

SPECIFICATIONS. Unless specified "no substitute", product offerings equivalent in quality and performance will be considered (at the sole option of the University) on the condition that the offer is accompanied by detailed product specifications. Offers which fail to include alternate specifications may be deemed nonresponsive.

VENDOR AUTHORIZATION TO PROCEED. When a purchase order, change order, contract/agreement or contract/agreement amendment is issued by the University of Rhode Island, no claim for payment for services rendered or goods delivered contrary to or in excess of the contract terms and scope shall be considered valid unless the vendor has obtained a written change order or contract amendment issued by the University of Rhode Island Purchasing Office PRIOR to delivery.

Any offer, whether in response to a solicitation for proposals or bids, or made without a solicitation, which is accepted in the form of an order OR pricing agreement made in writing by the University of Rhode Island Purchasing Office, shall be considered a binding contract.

REGULATIONS, GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS GOVERNING STATE AND BOARD OF GOVERNORS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION CONTRACTS. This solicitation and any contract or purchase order arising from it are issued in accordance with the specific requirements described herein, and the State's Purchasing Laws and Regulations and other applicable State Laws, including the Board of Governors for Higher Education General Terms and Conditions of Purchase. The regulations, General Terms and Conditions are incorporated into all University of Rhode Island contracts and can be viewed at: www.ribghe.org/procurementregs113006.pdf and www.purchasing.ri.gov.

ARRA SUPPLEMENTAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS. Contracts and sub-awards funded in whole or in part by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. Pub.L.No. 111-5 and any amendments thereto, such contracts and sub-awards shall be subject to the Supplemental Terms and Conditions for Contracts and Sub-awards funded in whole or in part by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. Pub.L.No. 111-5 and any amendments thereto located on the Division of Purchases website at www.purchasing.ri.gov.

EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY. Compliance certificate and agreement procedures will apply to all awards for supplies or services valued at \$10,000 or more. Minority Business Enterprise policies and procedures, including subcontracting opportunities as described in Title 37 Chapter 14.1 of the Rhode Island General Laws also apply.

PERFORMANCE BONDS. Where indicated, successful bidder must furnish a 100% performance bond and labor and payment bond for contracts subject to Title 37 Chapters 12 and 13 of the Rhode Island General Laws. All bonds must be furnished by a surety company authorized to conduct business in the State of Rhode Island. Performance bonds must be submitted within 21 calendar days of the issuance of a tentative notice of award.

DEFAULT and NON-COMPLIANCE Default and/or non-compliance with the requirements and any other aspects of the award may result in withholding of payment(s), contract termination, debarment, suspension, or any other remedy necessary that is in the best interest of the state.

COMPLIANCE Vendor must comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws, regulations and ordinances.

Effective January 1, 2012 all *public works project* related bids or proposals exceeding SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND (\$750,000) dollars are required to include a "public copy". All agency contract solicitations, requests for proposals, invitations for bids, etc., shall state that any bid or proposal that exceeds SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND (\$750,000) dollars must include a copy to be available for public inspection upon the opening of the bids. Any bid or proposal that exceeds SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND (\$750,000) dollars which does not include a copy for public inspection shall be deemed to be non-responsive. For further information, please see R.I. Gen. Laws §37-2-18(j) and State of Rhode Island Procurement Regulations at <http://purchasing.ri.gov/rulesandregulations/rulesandregulations.aspx>.

ALL CONTRACT AWARDS ARE SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING DISCLOSURES & CERTIFICATIONS

Offerors must respond to every disclosure statement. A person authorized to enter into contracts must sign the offer and attest to the accuracy of all statements. Incomplete certification forms are grounds for disqualification of offer.

You **MUST** answer 'Yes' or 'No' to the following questions:

___1 Has your firm (or any principal) been subject to the following findings by the Federal Government, State of Rhode Island or any other jurisdiction? Suspension, Debarment, Indictment, Criminal Conviction. CIRCLE APPROPRIATE ITEM (S)

___2 Has your firm (or any principal) been fined more than \$5000 for a single violation by the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management for violation of Rhode Island Wetlands law?

___3 I/we certify that I/We will immediately disclose, in writing, to the University Purchasing Agent any potential conflict of interest which may occur during the course of the engagement authorized pursuant to this contract.

___4 I/we acknowledge that, in accordance with (1) Chapter §37-2-54(c) of the Rhode Island General Laws "no purchase or contract shall be binding on the state or any agency thereof unless approved by the Department [of Administration] or made under general regulations which the Chief Purchasing Officer may prescribe," and (2) RIGL section §37-2-7(16) which identifies the Board of Governors for Higher Education as a public agency and gives binding contractual authority to the University Purchasing Agent, including change orders and other types of contracts and under State Purchasing Regulation 8.2.1.1.2 any alleged oral agreement or arrangements made by a bidder or contractor with any agency or an employee of the University of Rhode Island may be disregarded and shall not be binding on the University of Rhode Island.

___5 I/we certify that all of the vendor information provided is correct and complete.

___6 I/we certify that I or my firm possesses all licenses required by Federal and State law and regulation as they pertain to the requirements of the solicitation and offer made herein and shall maintain such required license(s) during the entire course of the contract resulting from the offer contained herein and, should my/our license lapse or be suspended, I/we shall immediately inform the University of Rhode Island Purchasing Agent in writing of such circumstance.

___7 I/we certify that I/we will maintain required insurance during the entire course of the contract resulting from the offer contained herein and, should my/our insurance lapse or be suspended, I/we shall immediately inform the University of Rhode Island Purchasing Agent in writing of such circumstance.

___8 I/we certify that I/we understand that falsification of any information herein or failure to notify the University of Rhode Island Purchasing Agent as certified herein may be grounds for suspension, debarment and/or prosecution for fraud.

___9 I/we acknowledge that the provisions and procedures set forth in this form apply to any contract arising from this offer.

___10 I/we acknowledge that I/we understand the State's Purchasing Laws (§37-2 of the General laws of Rhode Island) and Purchasing Regulations and General Terms and Conditions available at the Rhode Island Division of Purchases Website (<http://www.purchasing.ri.gov>) and the Board of Governors Website (www.ribghe.org/procurementregs113006.pdf) apply as the governing conditions for any contract or purchase order I/we may receive from the University of Rhode Island, including the offer contained herein.

___11 NEW REVISED REQUIREMENT*-IMPORTANT!! I/we hereby acknowledge that I/we understand that effective January 1, 2012 all public works related project bids or proposals exceeding SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND (\$750,000) dollars, inclusive of all proposed alternates, must include a "public copy" as required by R.I. Gen. Laws §37-2-18(j) and the State Procurement Regulations. It is further understood that any bid or proposal in excess of SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND (\$750,000) dollars which does not include a copy for public inspection shall be deemed to be non-responsive.

IF YOU HAVE ANSWERED "YES" TO QUESTIONS #1 OR 2 OR IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO CERTIFY YES TO QUESTIONS #3 – 11 OF THE FOREGOING, PROVIDE DETAILS/EXPLANATION IN AN ATTACHED STATEMENT.

Signature below commits vendor to the attached offer and certifies (1) that the offer reflects all solicitation amendments (2) that the above statements and information are accurate and that vendor understands and has complied with the requirements set forth herein.

Vendor's Signature: _____ Bid Number: _____ Date: _____
(Person Authorized to enter into contracts; signature must be in ink) (if applicable)

Print Name and Title of Company official signing offer Telephone Number

COMMODITY: High Pressure Vessel Design & Fabrication
 OPENING DATE & TIME: 8/20/2012 3:00 PM
 BLANKET REQUIREMENTS: 8/27/2012 - 01/15/2013

SHIP TO:
 URI
 Mechanical Ind. & Systems Engineering
 Kirk Bldg. 92 Upper College Rd.
 Kingston, RI 02881

BIDDER (NAME OF FIRM)
 BID NO.: 2279

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ATTACHMENT "A"

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INSTRUCTIONS:

- A. VENDOR NAME MUST APPEAR IN BOTH COLUMNS ON "EVERY" PAGE UNDER THE WORDS "BIDDER"
- B. PRICE COLUMNS MUST CONTAIN "EXACTLY" THE SAME INFORMATION.
- C. ANY SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION MUST BE REPEATED IN "BOTH" COLUMNS.
- D. TO ASSURE THAT OFFERS ARE CONSIDERED ON TIME, EACH OFFER MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH SPECIFIC BID/RFP NUMBER (PROVIDED ABOVE), DATE AND TIME OF OPENING MARKED IN THE UPPER LEFT HAND CORNER OF ENVELOPE. EACH BID/OFFER MUST BE SUBMITTED IN SEPARATE SEALED ENVELOPES.

MAIL TO: COURIER:
 UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND
 P.O. BOX 1773 PURCHASING DEPARTMENT
 PURCHASING DEPARTMENT DINING SERVICES DISTRIBUTION CENTER
 PLAINS ROAD 581 PLAINS ROAD
 KINGSTON, RI 02881 KINGSTON, RI 02881-2010

DOCUMENTS MISDIRECTED TO OTHER STATE LOCATIONS OR WHICH ARE NOT PRESENT IN THE UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND PURCHASING DEPARTMENT AT THE TIME OF OPENING FOR WHATEVER CAUSE WILL BE DEEMED TO BE LATE AND WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED. FOR THE PURPOSE OF THIS REQUIREMENT, THE OFFICIAL TIME AND DATE SHALL BE THAT OF THE TIME CLOCK IN THE UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND PURCHASING DEPARTMENT. POSTMARKS SHALL NOT BE CONSIDERED PROOF OF TIMELY SUBMISSION.

FAILURE TO COMPLETE FORM AS INSTRUCTED MAY BE GROUNDS FOR "DISQUALIFICATION".

GROUP PURCHASING ORGANIZATIONS (GPO):

THE UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND IS A MEMBER OF THE FOLLOWING:

- 1) Educational & Institutional Cooperative Purchasing (E&I)
- 2) Provisia

IF THIS IS A MULTI-YEAR BID/CONTRACT, CONTINUATION OF THE CONTRACT BEYOND THE INITIAL FISCAL YEAR WILL BE AT THE DISCRETION OF THE UNIVERSITY. TERMINATION MAY BE EFFECTED BY THE UNIVERSITY BASED UPON DETERMINING FACTORS SUCH AS UNSATISFACTORY PERFORMANCE OR THE DETERMINATION BY THE UNIVERSITY TO DISCONTINUE THE GOODS/SERVICES, OR TO REVISE THE SCOPE AND NEED FOR THE TYPE OF GOODS/SERVICES; ALSO MANAGEMENT OWNER DETERMINATIONS THAT MAY PRECLUDE THE NEED FOR GOODS/SERVICES AND SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS.

DELIVERY AS REQUESTED

COMMODITY: High Pressure Vessel Design & Fabrication
 OPENING DATE & TIME: 8/20/2012 3:00 PM
 BLANKET REQUIREMENTS: 8/27/2012 - 01/15/2013

SHIP TO:
 URI
 Mechanical Ind. & Systems Engineering
 Kirk Bldg. 92 Upper College Rd.
 Kingston, RI 02881

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ATTACHMENT "A"

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BLANKET REQUIREMENTS: 8/27/12 - 1/15/13

1 All materials, labor and equipment to design, fabricate, test stamp, deliver and position one (1) custom built, high pressure vessel for use in experiments at the University of Rhode Island per the attached specifications and representative photograph.

Vendor should be experienced in the design & fabrication of high pressure vessels with windows. References showing this background should be provided with the bid submitted.

ORDER MUST DELIVER COMPLETED AND LOCATED IN ITS FINAL POSITION BY 1/15/13.

PREVAILING WAGE

BIDDERS ARE ADVISED THAT ALL PROVISIONS OF TITLE 37 CHAPTER 13 OF THE GENERAL LAWS OF RHODE ISLAND APPLY TO THE WORK COVERED BY THIS REQUEST AND THAT PAYMENT OF THE GENERAL PREVAILING RATE OF PER DIEM WAGES AND THE GENERAL PREVAILING WAGE RATE FOR REGULAR, OVERTIME AND OTHER WORKING CONDITIONS EXISTING IN THE LOCALITY FOR EACH CRAFT, MECHANIC, TEAMSTER, OR TYPE OF WORKMAN NEEDED TO EXECUTE THIS WORK IS A REQUIREMENT FOR BOTH CONTRACTORS AND SUBCONTRACTORS.

WAGE DETERMINATION ONLINE GOV
 WWW.WDOL.GOV/BAASPX#0 PROVIDING PUBLIC ACCESS TO FEDERAL WAGE DETERMINATIONS AND RELATED INFORMATION.

"THIS THIRD-PARTY LINK WWW.WDOL.GOV/BAASPX#0 IS PROVIDED AS A COURTESY TO POTENTIAL VENDORS FOR GUIDANCE PURPOSES ONLY. THE UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ACCURACY OF THE INFORMATION CONTAINED ON THIS WEBSITE OR ANY THIRD-PARTY WEBSITE. ANY AND ALL VENDORS SUBMITTING PROPOSALS IN RESPONSE TO THIS SOLICITATION BEAR THE SOLE RESPONSIBILITY AND BURDEN TO SUBMIT PROPOSALS THAT ARE BASED ON ACCURATE INFORMATION AND ARE IN COMPLIANCE WITH LAW"

ANY QUESTIONS RELATED TO THE CONTENTS OF THIS BID AND THE SPECIFICATIONS MAY BE ADDRESSED TO DEBRA LEE JURI PURCHASING DEPT.
 AT dljee1@uri.edu or (FAX) 401-874-2306
 BY 8/3/12. AN ADDENDUM WILL BE ISSUED IN RESPONSE TO ANY QUESTIONS RECEIVED FOLLOWING A REVIEW OF THOSE QUESTIONS BY THE DEPARTMENT CONTACT PERSON.

Any modifications to the specifications or change orders, as they relate to this bid, can only be authorized by the Department contact person: Arun Shukla 401-874-2283 in writing.

1 TOTAL \$ _____ \$ _____ \$ _____ 1

High-Pressure Tank

Design, fabricate, test, stamp, deliver and position within ground floor lab space with a garage door (Kirk Building, 92 Upper College Road, Kingston RI 02881 Ground Floor, through garage door (94 inches by 120 inches) one (1) custom built, one-of-a-kind high pressure vessel for use in experiments by the University of Rhode Island. An example of the vessel to be fabricated is shown in the attached photograph.

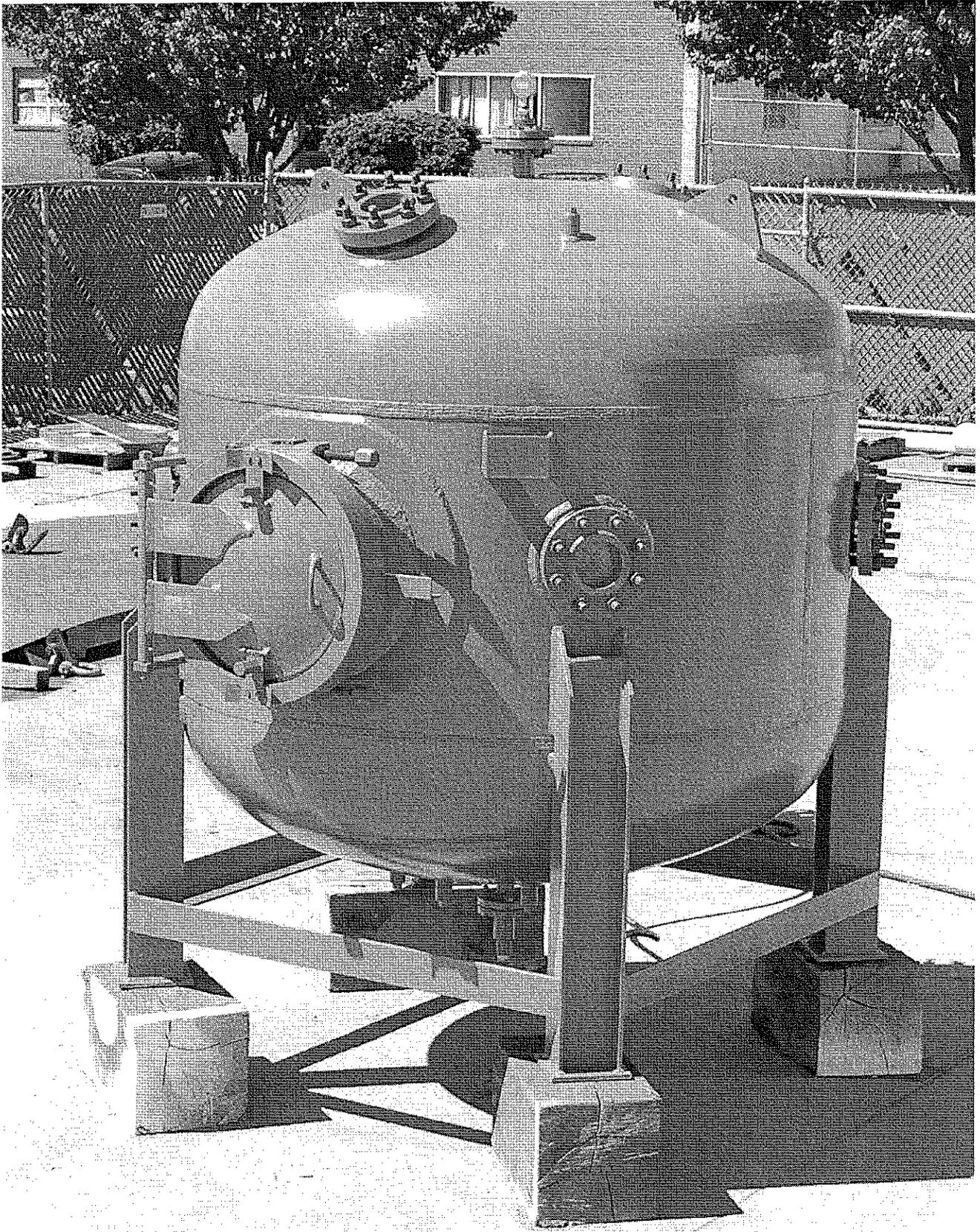
Design Notes:

1. Design and fabrication of pressure vessel shall be in accordance with ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Section VIII, Division 1, and Latest Edition. ASME Code Stamp required.
2. Design Criteria:

	<u>Shell</u>
a. Vessel Inside Diameter	84"
b. Design Pressure, MAWP	1000 PSIG
c. Design Temperature	100 degrees Fahrenheit
d. Radiography	RT-1
e. Material of construction	Carbon steel with custom coating
3. All welding shall be in accordance with standard required ASME pressure vessel procedures.
4. Approximate Weight: 18,000 lbs. Dry
5. Approximate Volume: 1300 gallons
6. Nozzle sizes and locations to be determined during design phase in consultation with Professor Arun Shukla.
7. Manway to be a custom 20" manway designed specifically for this application with quick-opening bolting.
8. 100% X-Ray on longitudinal and circumferential weld seams required.
9. Hydro testing to be performed using procedures to protect custom viewing port sight glass as necessary.
10. Cylindrical-shell-and-elliptical-head design.
11. The vessel is vertical (heads on top and bottom) with four-legged detachable base (see photograph).
12. The base has four skate platforms for rigging into place.
13. Cylindrical shell diameter is 84 inches ID and vessel is 84 inches in overall **inside** height (top of head to top of head).
14. Vessel plus base overall height is approximately 9 feet.
15. Bottom head clearance off floor is at least 12 inches.
16. Shell and elliptical heads are SA516Gr70.
17. Exterior is shop primer painted.
18. Interior surfaces are sand blasted and lined with epoxy-based paint for rust prevention.
19. The vessel has two (2) lift lugs and one (1) tail lug.

20. The vessel includes eight (8) 4"-diameter sight plexiglass windows (location to be determined)
 - a. The sight plexiglasses are flush mounted with pad flanges.
21. The vessel includes six internal "eyes"/lift lugs to support internal structures, each eye is capable of supporting 100 pounds (locations to be determined).
22. Vessel includes four flanged pipe-fittings for filling draining and pressurizing (location to be determined).
23. Vessel has four 2-inch diameter cable outlet ports (location to be determined).

The vessel should be delivered and located at its defined place by the 15th of January 2012.



On May 18, 2012, at 11:23 AM, Arun Shukla wrote: