Request for Quote

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
ONE CAPITOL HILL
PROVIDENCE RI 02908

CREATION DATE : 26-AUG-15
BID NUMBER: 7549842
TITLE: WEATHER FORECASTING SERVICES - DOT

BLANKET START : 01-DEC-15
BLANKET END : 30-NOV-16
BID CLOSING DATE AND TIME:24-SEP-2015 11:00:00

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Line	Description	Quantity	Unit	Unit Price	Total
1	WEATHER FORECASTING SERVICES (12/01/2015 - 11/30/2016) BLANKET PERIOD: 12/01/2015 - 11/30/2016* *WITH OPTION TO RENEW FOR ONE (1) ADDITIONAL YEAR DETAILS: TO ESTABLISH AN APA FOR YEAR-ROUND WEATHER FORECASTING SERVICES PAYABLE ONE-TIME PER YEAR AT THE START OF EACH CONTRACT YEAR	1.00	Year		

Delivery: _____

Terms of Payment: _____

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SPECIFICATIONS

The Rhode Island Department of Transportation, Highway & Bridge Maintenance Division is currently seeking bids for weather forecasting services for one (1) year that may be extended for two (2) years at the option of the Rhode Island Department of Transportation.

All interested bidders shall meet, but will not be limited to, the minimum qualifications and needs of The Rhode Island Department of Transportation.

1. Staff meteorologist must have degree in meteorology from a college of recognized standings, with a minimum of five years experience and knowledge of forecasting weather here in Rhode Island and the New England area.

2. An Internet web site that is geared towards weather as related to the transportation industry and state Department's of Transportation winter maintenance operations. The web site will provide web pages and / or links to the following weather information data. (See bullet points listed below.)

3. The web site **must be usernames and password protected** and accessible from any computer with Internet Access. The web site must be advertisement free.

4. A total of three (3) site licenses, if needed, will be included in the bid price as a separate item.

5. A contact point (toll free telephone number) reachable twenty-four (24) hours a day, seven (7) days per week, and all holidays included for consultation on all weather related events.

6. E-mail capabilities to e-mail all forecasts, alerts, warnings, special weather statements, and forecast up-dates to e-mail list. The e-mail list will be provided by The Rhode Island Department of Transportation.

7. All weather data shall at the minimum include: the date, time, forecasted weather, forecasted temperature (high/low), forecasted wind speed, gusts and direction, forecasted dew points, forecasted humidity levels, forecasted barometric pressure and forecasted precipitation types and amounts **must be in a downloadable spread sheet format.** All maps will be **printable and able to be downloaded and saved to a State of Rhode Island data server for historical record keeping.**

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The web site will provide web pages and / or links to the following weather information data.

- The latest weather forecasts and advisories that has been issued for the State of Rhode Island and surrounding areas, including links to the latest National Weather Service Data and Advisories. Weather data on the web site will be updated every six (6) hours.

- Radar Images for both local and national real time radars (Radar images will be no older than five (5) minutes old). Radar images will have an animation mode (loops) so time lapse viewing of the storms precipitation movement is available. The radar site will have the capabilities to show present precipitation images movement into the future for a two (2) hour minimum to a four (4) hour maximum.

- Satellite Images with loop capabilities (For viewing cloud cover and storm movement)

- An hourly forecast for the next 48 hours that will show the probabilities of precipitation, precipitation type, high and low forecasted ambient temperatures, forecasted wind speeds and direction and wind gust speeds, percent of cloud cover, forecasted barometric pressure, forecasted dew points, and forecasted humidity levels.

- A long range daily forecast. (ten {10} to fifteen {15} days) in advance. The forecast will include probabilities of precipitation, precipitation type, high and low forecasted ambient temperatures, forecasted wind speeds and direction along with wind gust speeds, percent of cloud cover, forecasted barometric pressure, forecasted dew points, and forecasted humidity levels.

- National Weather Maps that will show the following weather data: Present ambient temperature, weather fronts, wind data, barometric pressure, humidity levels, dew points, and precipitation types.

- Forecast Computer Model Information maps.

Contract Terms and Conditions

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Terms and Conditions

BID STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS

TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR THIS BID

MULTI YEAR AWARD

THIS IS A MULTI-YEAR BID/CONTRACT. PER RHODE ISLAND STATE LAW 37-2-33, CONTRACT OBLIGATIONS BEYOND THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR ARE SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS. CONTINUATION OF THE CONTRACT BEYOND THE INITIAL FISCAL YEAR WILL BE AT THE DISCRETION OF THE STATE. TERMINATION MAY BE EFFECTED BY THE STATE BASED UPON DETERMINING FACTORS SUCH AS UNSATISFACTORY PERFORMANCE OR THE DETERMINATION BY THE STATE 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.

PURCHASE AGREEMENT BID

BIDDING (a) A single price shall be quoted for each item against which a proposal is submitted. This price will be the maximum in effect during the agreement period. Any price decline at the manufacturer's level shall be reflected in a reduction of the agreement price to the State. (b) Quantities, if any, are estimated only. The agreement shall cover the actual quantities ordering during the period. Deliveries will be billed at the single, firm, awarded unit price quoted regardless of the quantities ordered. (c) Bid price is net F.O.B. destination and shall include inside delivery at no extra cost. (d) Bids for single items and/or a small percentage of total items listed, may, at the State's sole option, be rejected as being non-responsive to the intent of this request. ORDERING (a) The User Agency(s) will submit individual orders for the various items and various quantities as may be required during the agreement period. (b) Exception - Regardless of any agreement resulting from this bid, the State reserves the right to solicit prices separately for any extra large requirements for delivery to specific destinations.

Mailing Address for Bid Proposals issued by the State of Rhode Island, Division of Purchases:

All Bid Proposals must be submitted to the following address:

State of Rhode Island

Department of Administration

Division of Purchases, 2nd Floor

One Capitol Hill

Providence, RI 02908

RIVIP INFO - BID SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

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MAILING ADDRESS FOR BID PROPOSALS ISSUED BY THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND, DIVISION OF PURCHASES

All Bid Proposals must be submitted by mail or hand delivered to:

- State of Rhode Island

- Department of Administrtion
- Division of Purchases, Second floor
- One Capitol Hill
- Providence, RI 02908-5855

DIVESTITURE OF INVESTMENTS IN IRAN REQUIREMENT:

No vendor engaged in investment activities in Iran as described in R.I. Gen. Laws §37-2.5-2(b) may submit a bid proposal to, or renew a contract with, the Division of Purchases. Each vendor submitting a bid proposal or entering into a renewal of a contract is required to certify that the vendor does not appear on the list maintained by the General Treasurer pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws §37-2.5-3.