



Request for Quote

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

BUYER: DeAngelis, Robert
 PHONE #: 401-574-8110

CREATION DATE : 31-JAN-19
 BID NUMBER: 7598597
 TITLE: LOBSTER VENTLESS TRAP SURVEY
 BLANKET START : 01-MAY-19
 BLANKET END : 30-SEP-21
 BID CLOSING DATE AND TIME:06-MAR-2019 10:00:00

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Requisition Number: 1594065

Note to Bidders: May 1,2019 - September 30,2019

Three year contact with one (1), three (3) year possible extension for a total of six (6) years per the attached scope of work and Attachment A - Application.

Vessels must possess a valid protection and indemnity coverage required in the amount of one (1) million dollars.

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Sampling will take place from June - August

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2	5/1/2019 - 9/30/2019 Zone B Lobster Ventless Trap Survey - Commercial Lobsterman and Vessel to Bait, Set, Haul and Maintain RIDEM Owner Lobster Traps for Population Monitoring in Conjunction with a Regional Ventless Trap Survey	1.00	Each		
3	5/1/2019 - 9/30/2019 Zone C Lobster Ventless Trap Survey - Commercial Lobsterman and Vessel to Bait, Set, Haul and Maintain RIDEM Owner Lobster Traps for Population Monitoring in Conjunction with a Regional Ventless Trap Survey	1.00	Each		
4	5/1/2020 - 9/30/2020 Zone A Lobster Ventless Trap Survey - Commercial Lobsterman and Vessel to Bait, Set, Haul and Maintain RIDEM Owner Lobster Traps for Population Monitoring in Conjunction with a Regional Ventless Trap Survey	1.00	Each		
5	5/1/2020 - 9/30/2020 Zone B Lobster Ventless Trap Survey - Commercial Lobsterman and Vessel to Bait, Set, Haul and Maintain RIDEM Owner Lobster Traps for Population Monitoring in Conjunction with a Regional Ventless Trap Survey	1.00	Each		
6	5/1/2020 - 9/30/2020 Zone C Lobster Ventless Trap Survey - Commercial Lobsterman and Vessel to Bait, Set, Haul and Maintain RIDEM Owner Lobster Traps for Population Monitoring in Conjunction with a Regional Ventless Trap Survey	1.00	Each		

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Delivery: _____

Terms of Payment: _____

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Solicitation Information

Date: February 1, 2019

RFQ #7598597

TITLE: LOBSTER VENTLESS TRAP SURVEY.

Bid Submission Deadline: March 6, 2019 10:00 AM Eastern Time

Questions concerning this solicitation may also be e-mailed to the Division of Purchases at Robert.DeAngelis@purchasing.ri.gov no later than **February 20, 2019 4:00 PM** (Eastern Time). Please reference the **RFQ #7598597** on all correspondence. Questions received, if any, will be answered and posted on the Internet as an addendum to this solicitation. It is the responsibility of all interested parties to download this information.

SURETY REQUIRED: No

BOND REQUIRED: No

Administrator of Purchasing Systems

Vendors must register on-line at the State Purchasing Website at www.purchasing.ri.gov.

NOTE TO VENDORS:

Offers received without the entire completed three-page RIVIP Generated Bidder Certification Form attached may result in disqualification.

THIS PAGE IS NOT A BIDDER CERTIFICATION FORM

SECTION 1 – INSTRUCTIONS AND NOTIFICATIONS TO OFFERERS:

The Rhode Island Department of Administration/Division of Purchases, on behalf of the Department of Environmental Management is soliciting bids for chartering three commercial lobster vessels for a minimum of 9 days each during the period between June 1st to August 31st for the purpose of conducting a lobster ventless trap survey in Rhode Island waters. TITLE: Lobster Ventless Trap Survey from qualified COMMERCIAL LOBSTER VESSELS, and in accordance with the terms of this Request for Letters of Interest/Proposals (LOI/RFP) and the State’s General Conditions of Purchase.

This solicitation, and subsequent award, is governed by the State’s General Conditions of Purchase, which is available at www.purchasing.ri.gov.

To access the State's General Conditions of Purchase, enter our website, click on RIVIP, then click on General Information and then click on Rules and Regulations. Once the Rules and Regulations are displayed, scroll to the bottom of the page and double click on Appendix A, which contains the State's General Conditions of Purchase.

The scope of work is described herein (Appendix I).

Potential Offerers are advised to review all sections of this solicitation carefully and to follow instructions completely, as failure to make a complete submission as described elsewhere herein may result in rejection of the proposal.

Alternative approaches and/or methodologies to accomplish the desired or intended results of this procurement are solicited. However, proposals which depart from or materially alter the terms, requirements, or scope of work defined by this Request will be rejected as being non-responsive.

The state reserves the right to award to one or more offeror. The State also reserves the right to award this project based on pricing alone.

All costs associated with developing or submitting a bid in response to this Request, or to provide oral or written clarification of its content shall be borne by the offeror. The State assumes no responsibility for these costs.

Bids are considered to be irrevocable for a period of not less than sixty (60) days following the opening date, and may not be withdrawn, except with the express written permission of the State Purchasing Agent.

All pricing submitted is to be considered fixed, unless otherwise indicated herein.

Proposals misdirected to other State locations or which are otherwise not present in the Office of Purchases at the time of opening for any cause will be determined to be late and will not be considered.

It is intended that an award pursuant to this request will be made to a prime contractor, who will assume responsibility for all aspects of the work. Joint venture and cooperative proposals will not be considered, but subcontractors are permitted, provided that their use is clearly indicated in the OFFEROR's proposal, and that the subcontractor(s) proposed to be used are identified in the proposal.

In accordance with Title 7, Chapter 1.1 of the General Laws of Rhode Island, no foreign corporation, a corporation without a Rhode Island business address, shall have the right to transact business in the state until it shall have procured a Certificate of Authority to do so from the Rhode Island Secretary of State (401-222-3040). *This is a requirement only of the selected vendor(s).*

Bidders are advised that all materials submitted to the State of Rhode Island for consideration in response to this Request for Quote will be considered to be public records, as defined in Title 38 Chapter 2 of the Rhode Island General Laws, without exception, and will be released for inspection immediately upon request, once an award has been made.

Interested parties are instructed to peruse the Division of Purchases website on a regular basis, as additional information relating to this solicitation may be released in the form of an addendum to this RFQ.

The offeror should be aware of the State's Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) requirements, which addresses the State's goal of ten per cent (10%) participation by MBE's in all State procurements. For further information, contact the MBE Administrator, at (401) 222-6253 or visit the website at <http://www.rimbe.org>

Awards resulting from this Request will be subject to the State's General Conditions of Purchase, which are available through the Internet at www.purchasing.ri.gov.

The selected Contractor will provide services for a period of *Three (3) years, renewable at the sole option of the State for a maximum of three (3) additional years.*

Questions, in **Microsoft Word Format**, concerning this solicitation, may be e-mailed to the Division of Purchases at Robert.DeAngelis@purchasing.ri.gov **no later than February 20, 2019 4:00 PM (Eastern Time)**. Please reference **RFQ #7598597** on all correspondence.

Responses to questions received, if any, will be provided, as an Addendum to this RFQ, and posted on the Rhode Island Division of Purchases website at www.purchasing.ri.gov It is the responsibility of all interested offerors to download this additional information. *If technical assistance is required to download, call the Help desk at (401) 222-2142, ext. 134.*

Requests for Quote to provide the required services must be received by the Division of Purchases on or before March 6, 2019 10:00 (EDT). Responses (a clearly marked original) should be mailed or hand-delivered in a sealed envelope marked “**RFQ # 7598597**” to:

By Courier:

RI Dept. of Administration
Division of Purchases, 2nd floor
One Capitol Hill
Providence, RI 02908-5855

By Mail:

RI Department of Administration
Division of Purchases
P. O. Box 6528
Providence, RI 02940-6528

NOTE: Bids received after the above-referenced due date and time will not be considered. Bids misdirected to other State locations or which are otherwise not presented in the Division of Purchases by the scheduled due date and time will be determined to be late and will not be considered. Bids faxed, or emailed, to the Division of Purchases will not be considered. The “official” time clock is located in the reception area for the Division of Purchases. **(Please be advised that FedEx/UPS do not always arrive by 10:30 am, you would be smart to send your submission to arrive at least one day early)**

RESPONSE CONTENTS

Responses must include the following:

- A completed and signed three-page RIVIP generated bidder certification cover sheet (downloaded from the RI Division of Purchases Internet home page at www.purchasing.ri.gov).
- A statement of experience describing the Offeror’s background, qualification, and experience with similar projects and all information described elsewhere in this solicitation.
- A completed and signed W-9 Form downloaded from the RI Division of Purchases Internet home page at www.purchasing.ri.gov.
- A completed Attachment A - Application

SECTION 2 – SCOPE OF WORK

BACKGROUND

The structure-oriented nature of American lobster and fixed-commercial gear affect the ability of fisheries scientists to monitor the lobster population with traditional sampling designs (i.e. otter trawls). Historically, fisheries-dependent commercial lobster trap sea sampling data have been used to generate relative indices of abundance for American lobster. However, regulatory changes in the lobster trap escape vents created an increasing bias in the index of abundance over time due to lack of sampling of sub-legals. Bottom trawl fisheries-independent data have been used in stock assessment models given their time series length and ability to catch lobsters and tease out population changes through time; however, trawls are not efficient in sampling rocky bottom where lobsters live. To address this need, the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management, Division of Marine Fisheries has developed a method in cooperation with the states of MA, NH, and ME to adequately sample the lobster population by deploying ventless traps in major lobster fishing areas. This project has been ongoing for 13 years, relying on various funding sources.

The Department is seeking proposals to charter three (3) separate commercial lobster vessels for a minimum of 9 days each during the period between June 1st to August 31st to conduct a lobster ventless trap survey in Rhode Island waters.

Vessels must be between 28-48 ft and capable of cruising at a minimum of 10 knots and have a covered area to protect scientific equipment from weather and waves. The vessel must be equipped, at a minimum, with a compass, depth recorder, plotter, radar, GPS, VHF radio, pot hauler, and davit. The vessel must also be capable of hauling, re-baiting, and deploying traps arranged in 6-trap trawls under the direction of RIDEM staff.

VENTLESS LOBSTER TRAP SURVEY OBJECTIVES:

- Develop more precise estimates of relative abundance of legal-sized and sublegal-sized lobsters in the Rhode Island portion of LCMA 2.
- Document the relative importance of both trawl and environmental covariates on American lobster abundance and distribution.
- Monitor the status of the chronic shell disease epidemic in LCMA 2.
- Foster and maintain a strong relationship between the commercial lobster industry and fisheries scientists and managers in the interest of strengthening communication between science and industry.
- Educate the commercial participants on the scientific survey design and the use of the data in the stock assessments.

SURVEY DESIGN:

The stock-wide sampling effort has been divided into two regions: the Gulf of Maine and Southern New England. These regions are further subdivided based on National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) statistical areas and respective state's waters. The Rhode Island portion of the coast-wide ventless trap survey will be conducted within Rhode Island state waters (0-3 miles), corresponding to NMFS Statistical Area 539. The distribution of survey traps within this sample area across states is based on three (3) strata associated with water depth: 0-20 meters, 21-40 meters, and 40-60m meters. However, the 40-60-meter depth strata does not occur in Rhode Island state water sampling strata (0-3 miles). States' waters are divided into grid cells based on 1 minute of latitude and longitude. Each grid cell is classified into the appropriate depth strata based on the grid cell being comprised of at least 75% of

the designated depth. Grid cells that were defined as “mixed” within the sampling domain have been removed from the sampling station selection process. A total of 144 survey lobster traps will be deployed, consisting of 72 vented and 72 unvented survey lobster traps. A total of 24 sampling stations are selected randomly. All stations are associated with three geographic regions – Narragansett Bay, Block Island Sound, and Rhode Island Sound – with each of the contracted fisherman associated with a given area. Each area has a set number of stations associated with the area: 7 stations in Narragansett Bay (42 total traps), 8 stations in Block Island Sound (48 total traps), and 9 stations in Rhode Island Sound (54 total traps). Each sampling station will be sampled by one (1) six-trap trawl, in which vented and unvented traps are alternated (3 of each trap type per trawl). All survey lobster traps will be sampled twice per month, with a standard 3-night soak time. Survey lobster traps are separated by 60 feet of ground line between traps and baited with locally available bait.

SPECIFICATIONS

The Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management Division of Marine Fisheries (RIDEM DMF) is seeking three (3) industry participants for a Ventless Lobster Trap Survey Program through a competitive bid process. This survey program will run during June, July and August for the years covered in the contract period. Contract bidders will need to complete the supplied application to identify vessel specifications, daily charter rate and the sampling zone he/she is applying to. Three survey zones will be covered (Narragansett Bay, Block Island Sound, and Rhode Island Sound), all within Rhode Island state waters, and each survey zone will have randomly-selected sampling stations where 6-trap trawls are set. This is an opportunity to participate in an existing cooperative research project conducted along nearly the entire range of the lobster resource.

Vessels must be in the 28-48 ft range, be capable of cruising at a minimum of 10 knots and have a covered area to protect scientific equipment from weather and waves. The vessel must be equipped, at a minimum, with a compass, depth recorder, plotter, radar, GPS, VHF radio, pot hauler, and davit. The vessel must also be capable of hauling, re-baiting, and deploying experimental traps arranged in 6-trap trawls under the direction of RIDEM staff. The duration of this study is three months (June-August), in which each contractor will be expected to complete a total of three sea-days each month in no more than a continuous ten-day period.

The bidder must possess a valid Rhode Island commercial fishing license that enables him/her to fish for lobsters with lobster traps. Vessels must possess sufficient room to accommodate at least two sea samplers and associated gear/equipment, in addition to the normal crew. The contractor will be responsible for providing all necessary personnel who will be responsible for operating the vessel, including deployment, operation, retrieval and setting of all survey sampling gear. The contractor shall be responsible for all fuel, lubricants, dockage, bait, and other consumables necessary to conduct the operation.

The vessel shall be licensed by all pertinent state and federal agencies and carry safety equipment in accordance with all U.S. Coast Guard regulations. RIDEM DMF staff will supply their own survival suits. RIDEM DMF staff or contracted agent will serve as Chief Scientist and will supervise all sampling activity. Prospective contractors must submit a bid for the cost per sea-day of operation. The cost of the vessel, fuel, use of gear, dockage fees, bait, and any other related expenses should be included in the day rate. The acceptance of a bid is not a guarantee that the RIDEM will contract for services; it merely sets up a mechanism so that a vessel may be contracted if necessary. A total of three (3) contracts for work will be awarded for conducting the survey in the Rhode Island state waters portion of NMFS Statistical Area 539. **NO CATCH, INCLUDING BY-CATCH, CAN BE TAKEN OR LANDED FROM VENTLESS LOBSTER TRAP SURVEY GEAR.**

The contractors will work in coordination with RIDEM DMF staff to implement a ventless lobster trap survey in Rhode Island state waters. RIDEM DMF staff will prepare all necessary survey gear (survey traps, ground lines, end lines, and buoys), and coordinate with the contractor prior to the scheduled beginning of the survey work for gear pick up. Contractors applying for Rhode Island Sound and Narragansett Bay stations are expected to meet with the RIDEM Scientist assigned to the project at the DEM Fort Wetherill (Jamestown) Marine Fisheries Lab to obtain gear. The contractor for the Block Island Sound stations is expected to meet with the RI DEM Scientist assigned to the project at the DEM Pt. Judith Pond (Jerusalem) Marine Fisheries Lab to obtain gear. Each contractor will set the survey gear in the zone for which they bid at the locations assigned by the RIDEM Scientist.

Given the stations are randomly selected from the region's respective domain each (Figure 1), transit time from year to year of the contract may vary.

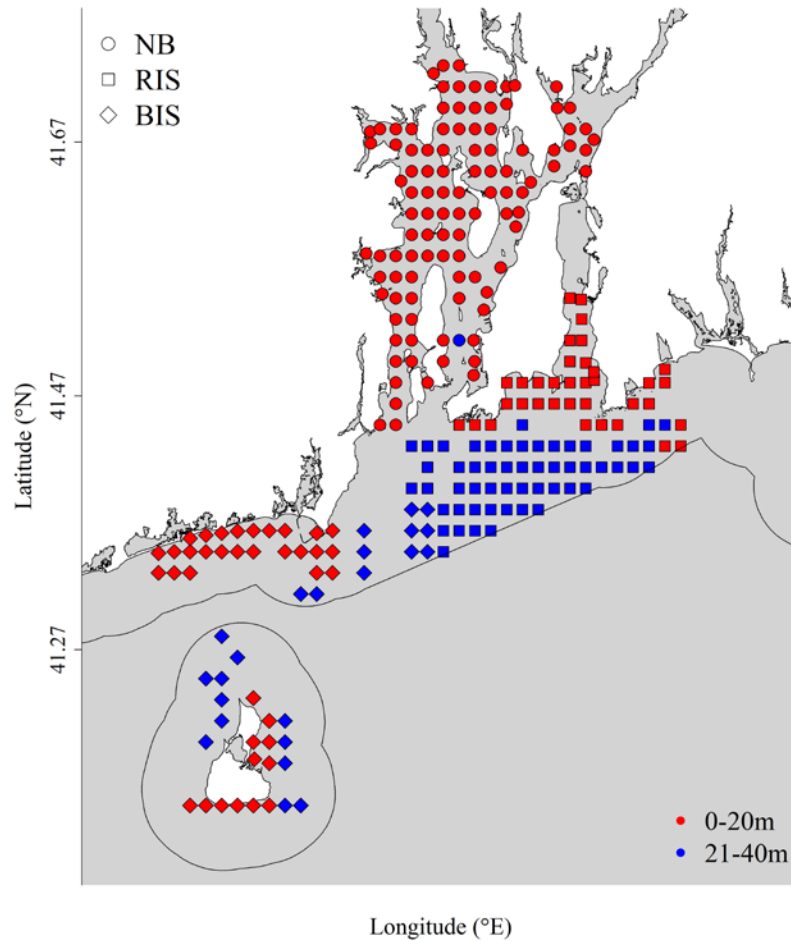


Figure 1. Possible station selection center points for the Rhode Island Lobster Ventless Trap Survey.

Stations are shaped and colored to represent the region and depth strata they belong to, respectively.

Region names are Block Island /RI Sound (BIS), RI Sound /Sakonnet (RIS) and Narragansett Bay (NB).

TASKS AND DELIVERABLES:

Each contractor will complete no less than 9 sea-days, but no more than 12 sea-days, during the survey duration. The duration of the survey is 3 months (June, July, and August). The survey gear for each zone will be hauled over 3 sea-days per month distributed in the following monthly haul cycle:

Monthly Survey Gear Set and Haul Cycle:

- Sea-Day 1 – Initial set; enable, bait and set survey gear
- Sea-Day 2 – First haul; Haul survey gear for first time and re-bait (no less than 3, but no greater than 5 days after the initial set with a RIDEM DMF observer on board).
- Sea-Day 3 – Second haul; Haul and deactivate survey gear (no less than 3, but no greater than 5 days after the first haul with a RIDEM DEM observer on board). *Deactivating survey gear includes opening doors on ventless and vented pots (do not re-bait) and placing them back at the station site.*

Sea-Day 1 of the first month also includes picking up gear at the location specified above (i.e. Jamestown or Jerusalem). Sea-Day 3 of the last month includes brining gear back to the location of which it was loaded. Contracted fishermen will be assigned (after consultation) a week of the month in which they will be required to perform the required work. Scheduling for sampling days will be conducted monthly. While this effort is collaborative and the RIDEM Chief Scientist will work with the fishers to select mutually agreeable dates, by receiving the contract, the fisherman agrees to this project taking precedent for scheduling over their other commercial commitments. Contractors may be asked to on occasion to allow for complimentary research to be conducted by RIDEM sampling staff, such as tagging work.

All survey trawls must be reset in the same assigned location each time. All lobsters and by-catch caught with the survey gear will be returned to the water immediately after processing by RIDEM staff unless specimens are brought back by RIDEM for other scientific research. The contracted fishermen are not allowed to fish the survey lobster traps at any other time, other than their assigned haul cycle. **No catch, including by-catch, will be taken or landed from the survey lobster traps.**

Fishermen may only bid on one zone (i.e. Narragansett Bay, Rhode Island Sound, or Block Island Sound). If contracts were to be awarded to one fisherman in multiple zones, it could create conflict in the setting and hauling cycle, especially on days where cancellation of survey gear sampling is necessary. Each contract bid submission must contain the following:

- A description of the bidder's qualifications including fishing experience, any previous collaborative scientific work, or associated experience.
- A completed vessel fact sheet (Attachment A)
- A current photo of the bidder's vessel

SELECTION CRITERIA

- Bid amount
- The breadth and depth of the qualifications of the contractor
- The breadth and depth of the experience of the contractor
- Appropriateness of the contractor's vessel, including size, speed, work space, and safety features

The selected contractors *may not* be the lowest cost bidder, as experience, vessel specifications, and cost will also be considered in the evaluation of bids. Also note that RIDEM staff reserve the right to interview some or all of the respondents for the purpose of clarifying a response prior to making a final award.

PERMITS AND COMPLIANCES:

The selected vessels must possess all valid required documentation to enter into a business contract with the state of Rhode Island and must be in compliance with applicable laws, statutes, regulations and codes of regulating entities. Vessel operation must possess a valid protection and indemnity coverage required in the amount of \$1 million.

END OF SCOPE OF WORK

Contract Terms and Conditions

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Terms and Conditions

BID STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS

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TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF PRICING AGREEMENT

SCOPE AND LIMITATIONS - This Agreement covers requirements as described herein, ordered by State agencies during the Agreement Period. No additional or alternative requirements are covered, unless added to the Agreement by formal amendment by the State Purchasing Agent or his designee.

Under State Purchasing Law, 37-2-54, 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. 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 Office of Purchases may be disregarded and shall not be binding on the state.

PRODUCT ACCEPTANCE - All merchandise offered or otherwise provided shall be new, of prime manufacture, and of first quality unless otherwise specified by the State. The State reserves the right to reject all nonconforming goods, and to cause their return for credit or replacement, at the State's option.

- a) Failure by the state to discover latent defect(s) or concealed damage or non-conformance shall not foreclose the State's right to subsequently reject the goods in question.
- b) Formal or informal acceptance by the State of non-conforming goods shall not constitute a precedent for successive receipts or procurements.

Where the vendor fails to cure the defect promptly or replace the goods, the State reserves the right to cancel the Release, contract with a different vendor, and to invoice the original vendor for any differential in price over the original contract price.

ORDER AUTHORIZATION AND RELEASE AGAINST PRICING AGREEMENT

In no event shall the Vendor deliver goods or provide service until such time as a duly authorized release document is certified by the ordering Agency.

State Agencies shall request release as follows: All releases shall reference the Price Agreement number, the Contract Issue number, the item(s) covered, and the unit pricing in the same format as described herein.

A Department Purchase Order (DPO) listing the items ordered shall be created by the agency. The agency may mail or fax a copy of the order to the Vendor. In some cases the agency may request delivery by telephone, but must provide the Vendor with a DPO Order Number reference for billing purposes. Vendors are encouraged to require written orders to assure payments are processed accurately and promptly.

DELIVERY If this is an MPA, Vendor will obtain "ship to" information from each participating agency. This information will be contained in the DPO. APA delivery information will be contained in the Notice of Award.

PRICING - All pricing shall be as described herein, and is considered to be fixed and firm for the term of the Agreement, unless specifically noted to the contrary herein. All prices include prepaid freight. Freight, taxes, surcharges, or other additional charges will not be honored unless reflected herein.

INVOICING All invoices shall reference the DPO Order Number(s), Price Agreement number, the Contract Issue number, the item(s) covered, and the unit pricing in the same format as described herein. If this is an MPA, Vendor will obtain "bill to" information from each participating agency. This information will be contained in the DPO. APA billing information will be contained in the Notice of Award.

PAYMENT - Invoices for items not received, not priced according to contract or for work not yet performed will not be honored. No payment will be processed to any vendor for whom there is no IRS W-9 on file with the State Controller.

INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

AN INSURANCE CERTIFICATE IN COMPLIANCE WITH PROVISIONS OF ITEM 31 (INSURANCE) OF THE GENERAL CONDITIONS OF PURCHASE IS REQUIRED FOR COMPREHENSIVE GENERAL LIABILITY, AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY, AND WORKERS' COMPENSATION AND MUST BE SUBMITTED BY THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER(S) TO THE DIVISION OF PURCHASES PRIOR TO AWARD. THE INSURANCE CERTIFICATE MUST NAME THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AS CERTIFICATE HOLDER AND AS AN ADDITIONAL INSURED. FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THESE PROVISIONS MAY RESULT IN REJECTION OF THE OFFEROR'S BID. ANNUAL RENEWAL CERTIFICATES MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE AGENCY IDENTIFIED ON THE PURCHASE ORDER. FAILURE TO DO SO MAY BE GROUNDS FOR CANCELLATION OF CONTRACT.

NOTE: IF THIS BID COVERS CONSTRUCTION, SCHOOL BUSING, HAZARDOUS WASTE, OR VESSEL OPERATION, APPLICABLE COVERAGES FROM THE FOLLOWING LIST MUST ALSO BE SUBMITTED TO THE DIVISION OF PURCHASES PRIOR TO AWARD: * PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY INSURANCE (AKA ERRORS & OMISSIONS) - \$1 MILLION OR 5% OF ESTIMATED PROJECT COST, WHICHEVER IS GREATER. * BUILDER'S RISK INSURANCE - COVERAGE EQUAL TO FACE AMOUNT OF CONTRACT FOR CONSTRUCTION. * SCHOOL BUSING - AUTO LIABILITY COVERAGE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5 MILLION. * ENVIRONMENTAL IMPAIRMENT (AKA POLLUTION CONTROL) - \$1 MILLION OR 5% OF FACE AMOUNT OF CONTRACT, WHICHEVER IS GREATER. * VESSEL OPERATION - (MARINE OR AIRCRAFT) - PROTECTION & INDEMNITY COVERAGE REQUIRED IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1 MILLION.

LICENSE REQUIREMENTS

VENDOR (OWNER OF COMPANY) IS RESPONSIBLE TO COMPLY WITH ALL LICENSING OR STATE PERMITS REQUIRED FOR THIS TYPE OF SERVICE. A COPY OF LICENSE/PERMIT SHOULD BE SUBMITTED WITH THIS BID. IN ADDITION TO THESE LICENSE REQUIREMENTS, BIDDER, BY SUBMISSION OF THIS BID, CERTIFIES THAT ANY/ALL WORK RELATED TO THIS BID, AND ANY SUBSEQUENT AWARD WHICH REQUIRES A RHODE ISLAND LICENSE(S), SHALL BE PERFORMED BY AN INDIVIDUAL(S) HOLDING A VALID RHODE ISLAND LICENSE.

RIVIP INFO - BID SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

It is the vendor's responsibility to check and download any and all addenda from the RIVIP. This offer may not be considered unless a signed RIVIP generated Bidder Certification Cover Form is attached and the Unit Price column is completed. The signed Certification Cover Form should be attached to the front of the offer. Each bid proposal must be submitted in a separate sealed envelope with the bidder's name and address and the specific "Solicitation Number," "Solicitation Title," and the "Bid Proposal Submission Deadline" marked in the upper left-hand corner of the envelope.

The bid proposal must be delivered (via mail, messenger service, or personal delivery) to the Division of Purchases and date-stamped/receipted by the date and time specified for the bid proposal submission deadline. Bidders should mail bid proposals sufficiently in advance of the bid proposal submission deadline to ensure timely delivery to the Division of Purchases or, when delivering a bid proposal in person or by messenger, should allow additional time for parking and clearance through security checkpoints. Bid proposals must be addressed to:

Rhode Island Department of Administration
Division of Purchases, 2nd Floor
One Capitol Hill, Providence, RI 02908-5855

Bid proposals that are not received by the Division of Purchases by the bid proposal submission deadline for whatever reason will be deemed late and will not be considered. The submission time will be determined by the time clock in the Division of Purchases. Postmarks will not be considered proof of timely submission.

Bid proposals in electronic format are not accepted at this time.

At the bid proposal submission deadline, bid proposals will be opened and read aloud in public.

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.

DELIVERY PER AGENCY

DELIVERY OF GOODS OR SERVICES AS REQUESTED BY AGENCY.

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.

AWARD

THE STATE, AT ITS SOLE DISCRETION, SHALL RESERVE THE RIGHT TO MAKE ONE OR MULTIPLE AWARDS FOR THIS REQUIREMENT AND/OR TO REJECT ANY OR ALL BIDS.

BID RFQ #7598597
Rhode Island Ventless Trap Survey
Attachment A - Application

Vessel Services for a Ventless Lobster Trap Survey in Rhode Island State Waters

Vessel Name: _____ Captain's Name: _____

Vendor may bid on more than one zone but will only be awarded one zone.

Zone A _____, PRICE PER SEA DAY- NARRAGANSETT BAY

Zone B _____, PRICE PER SEA DAY- BLOCK ISLAND / RI SOUND

Zone C _____, PRICE PER SEA DAY- RI SOUND / SAKONNET

Amount of bid in US dollars per sea day in selected zone: (please read specifications and tasks and deliverables section carefully).

Vessel Owner -Address and contact telephone number:

Home Port: _____

Vessel Specifications:

LOA: _____

Engine Type and HP: _____

Effective Cruising Speed: _____

Is covered space available to protect scientific equipment? _____

Does your vessel have a current US Coast Guard inspection? _____

How many 40" pots can your vessel safely transport at once? _____

Have you, or any of your crew, been convicted of or assessed a fine for a fisheries violation?

Other vessel characteristics information or comments. (You may include an attachment)

What is the experience of the captain? Please provide specific information relative to your experience in the zone for which you are bidding. (You may include an attachment)

DESCRIPTION: LOBSTER VENTLESS TRAP SURVEY

BID# 7598597

Department: Department of Environmental Management

Division: Marine Fisheries

RI-FANS Requisition Number: 1594065

REQUIREMENTS	FOR VENDOR USE ONLY TO INDICATE COMPLIANCE	
TO INDICATE COMPLIANCE	Yes/No	
Vessel is 28 - 48 feet long		
Vessel capable of cruising at a minimum of 10 knots		
Vessel has covered area to protect equipment		
Vessel has compass, depth recorder, plotter, radar, GPA, VHF radio, pot hauler, davit		
Vessel capable of hauling, re-baiting, and deploying experimental traps arranged in 6-trap trawls under DEM direction		
Bidder has valid RI Commercial fishing license		
Vessel must possess sufficient room to accommodate a maximum of two (2) sea samplers and associated gear/ equipment, in addition to normal crew		
Vessel shall be licensed by all state and federal Agencies and carry safety equipment in accordance with US Coast Guard regulations		

Requirements

1. Vessels must be in the 28 - 48' range and capable of cruising at the minimum of 10 knots and have a covered area to protect scientific equipment from the weather and waves,
2. The vessel must be equipped with a compass, depth recorder, plotter, radar, OPS, VHF radio, pot hauler and davit.
3. The vessel must also be capable of hauling, rebaiting and deploying experimental traps arranged in six pot trawls under the direction of DEM staff.
4. Bidder must possess a valid Rhode Island commercial fishing license that enables him/her to fish for lobsters with lobster traps.
5. Vessel must possess sufficient room to accommodate a minimum of two sea samplers in addition to normal crew.
6. The contractor will be responsible to provide all necessary personnel who will be responsible for operating the vessel, deployment, operation and retrieval of all sampling gear.
7. The contractor shall be responsible for all fuel, lubricants, dockage, bait and other consumables necessary to conduct the operation.
8. The vessel shall be licensed by all pertinent state and federal agencies and carry safety equipment in accordance with the US Coast Guard regulations. RIDEM personnel will supply their own survival suits. RIDEM staff or contracted agent will serve as Chief Scientist and will supervise all sampling,
9. Vessel must possess a valid protection and indemnity coverage required in the amount of 1 million dollars.
10. The duration of this study is three months (June -August), in which each contractor will be expected to complete a total of three sea-days each month in no more than a continuous ten-day period.
11. No catch, including by-catch can be taken or landed from ventless lobster trap survey gear.