



REQUEST FOR SEALED BID PROPOSAL

CITY OF SAGINAW - PURCHASING OFFICE
ROOM #8 - LOWER LEVEL
1315 S. WASHINGTON AVENUE
SAGINAW, MICHIGAN 48601
(989) 759-1483

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BIDS DUE: SEPTEMBER 7, 2010 @ 3:00 PM

MARK ENVELOPE SEALED BID: # P-868-10

BIDS MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE PURCHASING OFFICE PRIOR TO 3:00 P.M. ON THE BID OPENING DATE. The bidder hereby offers to furnish the goods and/or services described and for the prices named, as follows:

THE CITY OF SAGINAW IS SOLICITING SEALED PROPOSALS FOR BACTERIAL STANDARDS FOR DRINKING WATER SUPPLY WITH SPECIFICATIONS AS FOLLOWS:

NOTE: A HARD COPY OF THIS DOCUMENT IS AVAILABLE ON THE CITY OF SAGINAW WEB SITE, www.saginaw-mi.com. (CLICK ON "QUICK LINKS", THEN PURCHASING) YOU CAN REFER TO THIS SITE FOR INFORMATION ON OUR FUTURE BID REQUIREMENTS.

IF YOU RECEIVE A BID COPY FROM OUR WEB SITE, YOU CAN ALSO COMPLETE A COPY OF OUR "VENDOR COMPLIANCE FORM" AND RETURN IT TO US OR CONTACT OUR PURCHASING OFFICE SO YOU CAN BE FORMALLY ADDED TO THE BIDDERS LIST. (989) 759-1430

ALSO: IT IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT YOU PROVIDE AN E-MAIL ADDRESS AS THIS IS HOW YOU WILL BE NOTIFIED OF FUTURE BID OPPORTUNITIES.

ITEM QTY	DESCRIPTION	UNIT COST	TOTAL COST
2	Coliform Microbiology PT	_____	_____
9	Coliform Microbiology QC	_____	_____
2	E. coli-Quantitative PT	_____	_____
1	E. coli-Quantitative QC	_____	_____
1	Standard Plate Count PT	_____	_____
9	Standard Plate Count QC	_____	_____
2	Shipping	_____	_____
		TOTAL COST	\$ _____

SPECIFICATIONS:

1. The bacterial samples shall be Drinking Water Supply samples or sets for running Microbiological Proficiency Tests (PT) and Microbiological Quality Control (QC) Tests.
2. **Coliform Microbiology PT** sets shall consist of 10 unknown samples containing Total Coliforms, Fecal Coliforms and No Coliforms for use by drinking water supply, according to the EPA "Manual for the Certification of Laboratories Analyzing Drinking Water."
3. **Coliform Microbiology QC** sets shall consist of 10 unknown samples containing Total Coliforms, Fecal Coliforms and No Coliforms for use by drinking water supply. Results shall also be provided. **Sets of fewer than 10 samples shall be provided in duplicate.**
4. The **E. coli enumeration PT** test shall consist of one sample, **in duplicate**, for use by drinking water supply.
5. The **E. coli enumeration QC** test shall consist of one sample, **in duplicate**, for use by drinking water supply. Results shall also be provided.
6. The **Standard (Heterotrophic) Plate Count PT** test shall consist of one sample for use by drinking water supply.
7. The **Standard (Heterotrophic) Plate Count QC** test shall consist of one sample, **in duplicate**, for use by drinking water supply. Results shall also be provided. **An assortment of lot numbers is required.**
8. All samples, both PT and QC, shall include sterile buffered water for rehydration.
9. All samples shall support testing and/or certification of laboratories under the Safe Drinking Water Act using SM 9222 Membrane Filtration for Coliforms or SM 9215 Heterotrophic Plate Count.
10. Results of all Proficiency Tests shall be reported by the Bidder to the regulating agency, the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and Environment, and be recognized by said agency as capable of providing above services.
11. **The bid shall include all shipping and additional costs.** The total order shall be shipped in two segments, one fall and one spring. Dates and split details to be determined.

CHECK LIST: BEFORE SUBMITTING YOUR BID

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| 1. Before the bid due date, check our web-site bid copy to make sure there are no description, quantity or Addendums changes. (Go to www.saginaw-mi.com , click on "quick link" box and go to "Purchasing"). | ___ |
| 2. Assuming they are permitted, if you're submitting an alternate(s) bid the pricing must be listed on page ___ of this form and labeled as such. All support information should also be attached and labeled Alternate #1, #2, #3, etc. | ___ |
| 3. Is your bid signed by an authorized representative of your company? | ___ |
| 4. Have you provided the Terms & Delivery information requested? | ___ |
| 5. Is the OUTSIDE of your ENVELOPE properly labeled with the bid number? | ___ |
| 6. Are you submitting your original bid plus <u>ONE (1) COPY as required?</u> | ___ |
| 7. If your bid is over \$100,000.00 do you have a Bid Bond, Certified Bank Check or Money Order enclosed? | ___ |
| a. Multiple year bids must be added together to get your total. | |
| b. If submitting an alternate proposal along with your original bid, only one (1) of the above mentioned items is required. | |

NOTE: An **original** Bid Bond, Certified Check, Bank Money Order or Cashier's Check in the amount of three percent (3%) of the total amount bid must be submitted with any bid in excess of \$100,000. **Facsimiles or copies of bid bond will not be accepted and bid will be disqualified if submitted.**

PAYMENT TERMS: _____ DELIVERY: _____
FOB: CITY OF SAGINAW
522 EZRA RUST DRIVE
SAGINAW, MI 48601

AS PART OF THE CONSIDERATION FOR THIS BID, THE UNDERSIGNED DOES HEREBY AGREE TO HAVE WITHHELD FROM ANY PAYMENT DUE THEM, ANY AMOUNTS OWED FOR TAXES, FEES OR OTHER CHARGES DUE THE CITY OF SAGINAW.

PER SECTION 14 OF THE CITY OF SAGINAW UNIFORM INCOME TAX ORDINANCE, THE TAX PERCENTAGE IS 1.5% ON INCOME EARNED FROM THE CITY. THE TAX SHALL APPLY ON THE TAXABLE NET PROFITS OF A CORPORATION DOING BUSINESS WITH THE CITY, BEING LEVIED ON SUCH PART OF THE TAXABLE NET PROFITS AS IS EARNED BY THE CORPORATION AS A RESULT OF WORK DONE, SERVICES RENDERED AND OTHER BUSINESS ACTIVITIES CONDUCTED WITH THE CITY, AS DETERMINED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS ORDINANCE.

ADDITIONAL BIDDER REQUIREMENTS:

INDEMNITY AND INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

INDEMNITY:

The Contractor shall indemnify and save harmless the City of Saginaw, its officers and employees of and from all loss or damage caused to any person or property by reason of any carelessness or negligence in the doing or making of the work specified herein, and by reason of failure to pay all persons who shall supply said Contractor with materials, provisions and supplies for the performance and completion of said contract, and to promptly pay all just debts, dues and demands incurred in the completion of this contract, or of whatsoever other kind or nature, which shall be caused by delay or failure in the performance and completion of this contract, and further to indemnify and save harmless of and from all suits and actions the City of Saginaw, its officers and employees, on account of any injuries or damages sustained by any person or persons by reason of any act, or omission or negligence, or by the use of improper or defective material on the part of said Contractor in the performance of any part of this contract, and further to indemnify and protect any and all demands, fees or royalties for any patented invention, materials, articles, methods, arrangements or process of manufacture or any infringements thereon, that may be used on or be in any manner connected with the construction, erection or maintenance of the work, material, or any part thereof, embraced in this contract.

INSURANCE:

During the life of the contract, the Contractor shall effect and maintain the following types of insurance:

Comprehensive General Liability, including contractual liability with combined single-limit coverage of at least **\$500,000 naming the City of Saginaw as additional insured.**

Automobile Liability

Worker's Disability Insurance

Such insurance shall be carried by financially responsible companies, licensed in the State of Michigan, and satisfactory to the City. The Contractor shall submit to the City for review and approval certificates of insurance for the above required coverage's. The certificate of insurance shall provide at least 30-days written notice to the City of any changes in the policy and any cancellation or termination thereof.

BIDDER REQUIREMENTS:

1. EACH PROPOSAL SHALL BE GOOD FOR 120 DAYS FROM THE BID OPENING DATE.
2. EACH BIDDER SHALL INCLUDE ONE (1) ADDITIONAL COPY OF YOUR PROPOSAL **"MARKED COPY"**.
3. EACH BIDDERS ENVELOPE, FEDEX BOX/LETTER, UPS BOX/LETTER OR ANY OTHER METHOD OF SEALED DELIVERY **MUST HAVE THE BID NUMBER ON THE OUTSIDE** OF THE CONTAINER. **UNMARKED BIDS WILL BE DISQUALIFIED AND RETURNED UNOPENED!**
4. ALL BIDS OVER \$100,000.00 MUST INCLUDE A BID BOND, CERTIFIED BANK CHECK OR MONEY ORDER. IF AGREEMENT IS FOR MULTIPLE YEARS, EACH YEAR SHOULD BE ADDED FOR YOUR TOTAL. (SEE **"SEALED BID INSTRUCTIONS" PAGE**)
5. EACH CITY OF SAGINAW DEPARTMENT SHALL BE VIEWED AS A SEPARATE ACCOUNT (NOT A BLANKET ACCOUNT) WITH THE RESPECTIVE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER(S).
6. WHEN A BRAND IS IDENTIFIED, OR WHEN A SPECIFIC METHOD OR PROCESS IS REQUESTED, YOU MAY QUOTE AN EQUAL. YOU MUST IDENTIFY THE BRAND, MODEL, PART NUMBER, ETC., METHOD OR PROCESS AND ENCLOSE LITERATURE VERIFYING EQUAL (WHEN APPLICABLE). CITY PERSONNEL RETAIN THE RIGHT TO DETERMINE EQUALS. **IF THE ITEM(S) STATES "NO. SUBSTITUTES," NO SUBSTITUTES WILL BE ACCEPTED.**
7. ALL SHIPPING AND HANDLING CHARGES & ALL COST ASSOCIATED WITH THE DELIVERY, INSTALLATION AND/OR COMPLETION OF THE PRODUCT OR SERVICE REQUESTED MUST BE INCLUDED IN YOUR BID PRICE, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO ANY TITLES, FEES, AND TRANSFER COST. ALL VEHICLES PURCHASED BY THE CITY SHALL BE TITLED TO "CITY OF SAGINAW". PLEASE CONSULT WITH THE PURCHASING OFFICE FOR TITLE AND LICENSE PLATE INSTRUCTIONS. **WHERE APPLICABLE AND UNLESS OTHER WISE NOTED, YOUR BID PRICING MUST REMAIN CONSTANT FOR THE LENGTH OF THE AGREEMENT AND/OR CONTRACT PERIOD.**
8. IN THE EVENT THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER USES A THIRD PARTY COMPANY TO PROVIDE THE GOODS AND/OR SERVICES REQUESTED, THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER MUST NOTIFY THE PURCHASING OFFICE BEFORE SAID GOODS ARE SHIPPED AND/OR SERVICES ARE PROVIDED. THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER SHALL BE SOLELY RESPONSIBLE FOR PAYMENT TO THE THIRD PARTY COMPANY.

9. THE ITEMS ON THIS BID MAY BE REQUESTED ON AN AS NEEDED BASIS AS APPLICABLE.

10. ALL BIDS MUST BE RETURNED TO THE PURCHASING OFFICE AT 1315 S. WASHINGTON, SAGINAW, MI 48601, BY THE PREVIOUSLY STATED DUE DATE. **PLEASE NOTE: THE PURCHASING OFFICE NOW CLOSSES AT 4:00 P.M. DAILY. AS SUCH, BIDS HAND-DELIVERED PRIOR TO THE ABOVE MENTIONED DEADLINE MUST BE RECEIVED BEFORE THE OFFICE CLOSSES.**

THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER WILL CONFORM TO ALL SPECIFICATIONS & REQUIREMENTS WHICH ARE ATTACHED AND INCORPORATED AS PART OF THIS BID. THE CITY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ACCEPT OR REJECT ANY AND ALL BIDS, OR PARTS THEREOF, AND TO WAIVE ANY IRREGULARITIES IN THE BID EXCEPT THOSE SPECIFICALLY MENTIONED IN THE SEALED BID INSTRUCTIONS.

By signature, the bidder acknowledges that the signer has complete authority to execute the bid on behalf of the bidder and that the bid is genuine and not collusive in any manner; and that no other bidders were improperly induced to refrain from bidding or induced to submit a sham bid; and that the bidder agrees to have withheld from any payment due them, any amounts owed for taxes or other charges due the City of Saginaw; and that successful bidders are subject to mandatory City of Saginaw income tax withholdings.

COMPANY: _____

DATE: _____

SIGNATURE: **(INK)** _____

PRINTED NAME _____

TITLE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE#: _____

FAX #: _____

EMAIL: _____ **VERY IMPORTANT!!**

IF THIS BID PROPOSAL IS SELECTED AS THE LOWEST AND BEST OFFER, IT WILL BE ACCEPTED IN THE FOLLOWING MANNER:

- 1) THE CITY COUNCIL WILL APPROVE THIS BID PROPOSAL AT A REGULARLY SCHEDULED OR SPECIAL MEETING.**
- 2) THE CITY'S PURCHASING OFFICER WILL SIGN THIS BID PROPOSAL ON BEHALF OF THE CITY. THE BID PROPOSAL SHALL THEN CONSTITUTE A WRITTEN CONTRACT BETWEEN THE PARTIES.**
- 3) FOR ADMINISTRATIVE PURPOSES, THE CITY WILL ALSO ISSUE A SEQUENTIALLY NUMBERED PURCHASE ORDER.**

CITY OF SAGINAW, a Municipal Corporation

BY: _____ DATE: _____
(PURCHASING OFFICER)

1315 S. WASHINGTON
SAGINAW, MICHIGAN 48601
TELEPHONE: (989) 759-1430
FACSIMILE: (989) 759-1498

THE PURCHASE ORDER CONTRACT/WRITTEN CONTRACT CANNOT BE INCREASED OVER 10% OF THE TOTAL PURCHASE ORDER UP TO FIFTY THOUSAND 00/100 (\$50,000.00) DOLLARS WITHOUT THE PRIOR APPROVAL OF CITY COUNCIL.

THIS OFFER IS ACCEPTED BY THE ISSUANCE OF A PURCHASE ORDER SIGNED BY THE CITY PURCHASING OFFICER FOR ALL OR ANY PORTION OF THIS BID AND SHALL CONSTITUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE PARTIES.

ALL INVOICES MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN SIXTY (60) DAYS FROM THE TIME OF DELIVERY OF GOODS OR SERVICES OR THE COMPLETION OF PROJECTS. INVOICES MUST MAKE REFERENCE TO A VALID PURCHASE ORDER NUMBER IN ORDER TO BE PAID. ALL INVOICES THAT DO NOT REFERENCE A VALID PURCHASE ORDER NUMBER WILL BE RETURNED TO THE ORIGINAL SOURCE.

**City of Saginaw, Michigan
Purchasing Division
(989) 759-1430**

SEALED BID INSTRUCTIONS

**SEALED BIDS MUST BE SUBMITTED ACCORDING TO THE FOLLOWING
INSTRUCTIONS OR YOUR BID WILL BE DISQUALIFIED**

1. Bids must be submitted on printed forms furnished by the City Purchasing Office. Voluntary alternates may be attached to bid form, if necessary.
2. Bids must be in ink or typewritten.
3. Bids must contain bidder's complete name, address and telephone number.
4. Bids must be signed in ink and dated.
5. Bids must include delivery or completion time.
6. If an addendum (Form B02) is issued by the City, it must be signed, dated and returned with bid.
7. An **original** bid bond, certified check or cashier's check in the amount of three percent (3%) of the total amount bid must be submitted with any bid in excess of \$100,000. **Facsimiles or copies of bid bond will not be accepted and bid will be disqualified if submitted.**
8. All erasures or corrections to pricing information must be initialed in ink.
9. In case of a discrepancy between a unit price and its extension, the unit price will be considered correct and the bid will be recalculated to determine the amount bid. All addition errors will be corrected and the total bid will be adjusted to reflect the corrections.
10. All bids must be in the City Purchasing Office by the date and time specified on bid forms. The Purchasing Office is located at Saginaw City Hall in room #105.
11. **EACH BID MUST BE ENCLOSED IN A SEPARATE SEALED ENVELOPE WITH "SEALED BID AND THE BID NUMBER" MARKED ON THE FRONT.**
12. Each bidders envelope, FED EX box/letter, UPS box/letter or any other method of sealed delivery must have the bid number on the outside of the container.
UNMARKED BIDS WILL BE DISQUALIFIED.

NO CONTRACT SHALL BE VALID UNLESS APPROVED BY CITY COUNCIL. Pursuant to the Charter of the City of Saginaw, written contracts involving the expenditure of \$2,000 or more shall require the approval of City Council. No City employee has the authority to bind the City to such a contract.

RIGHT OF CITY TO ACCEPT OR REJECT BIDS

THE CITY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ACCEPT OR REJECT ANY AND ALL BIDS, OR PARTS THEREOF, AND TO WAIVE ANY IRREGULARITIES IN THE BID EXCEPT THOSE SPECIFICALLY MENTIONED ABOVE.

GENERAL INFORMATION

MAIL OR DELIVER ALL SEALED BIDS TO THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS BY THE DATE, TIME AND OFFICE HOUR DEADLINE SPECIFIED ON BID FORM:

**CITY OF SAGINAW PURCHASING OFFICE
ROOM #105
1315 S. WASHINGTON AVENUE
SAGINAW, MICHIGAN 48601**

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ALTERATION OF BID BY BIDDER

After bids have been opened, the bidder will not be allowed to withdraw, modify, or correct any bid.

EVIDENCE OF BIDDER'S QUALIFICATIONS

Bidders may be required to give some satisfactory evidence that they have been regularly engaged in the business or are reasonably familiar therewith, and that they are fully prepared with the necessary capital, materials, and machinery to complete the work or to furnish the materials contracted for to the satisfaction of the City.

FAMILIARITY OF BIDDER WITH CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS

Bidders are warned that they must inform themselves of the character and amount of work, labor, or material to be furnished under the contract.

CONTRACT ASSIGNMENTS OR TRANSFERS PROHIBITED

The assignment or transfer of a contract or of interests in the contract are prohibited unless approved by the proper City department and City Council.

CITY INCOME TAX COMPLIANCE

Bidders are hereby notified that the City of Saginaw has an income tax. All successful bidders will be subject to income tax withholdings and compliance is mandatory.

WITHHOLDING FROM PAYMENTS

As part of the consideration for any bid/contract, all bidders agree to have withheld from any payments due them, any amounts for taxes, fees or other charges due the City of Saginaw.

CONTRACT COMPLIANCE ORDINANCE

The City of Saginaw has a Contract Compliance Ordinance which requires bidders to submit documentation furnished by the City indicating compliance with the Ordinance. Contract compliance forms must be sent to the City Purchasing Office; 1315 S. Washington Avenue; Saginaw, Michigan 48601. Forms may be obtained by calling (989) 759-1430.

INSTRUCTIONS AS PART OF CONTRACT

These instructions are to be construed with and made a part of the contract or purchase order.

NOTICE TO ALL BIDDERS

SEALED BID DOCUMENTS:

EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY: All interested bidders may obtain Sealed Bid Document Forms, proposal instructions, general specifications and Bid Results from the City of Saginaw internet Web Site (www.saginaw-mi.com) by selecting **PURCHASING** from the Quick Links in the upper right hand corner of the homepage. Companies who do not have access to the Internet may contact the Purchasing Office at (989) 759-1430 for bid document copies.

PLEASE MAKE NOTE OF THIS NEW FORMAT FOR RECEIVING OUR BID DOCUMENTS.