



**FULTON COUNTY PURCHASING DEPARTMENT**  
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**Jerome Noble, Director**

August 8, 2005

**RE: 05ITBR44246YB-MEDICAL AND CLINICAL CLEANING SERVICES**

Dear Proposers:

Attached is one (1) copy of Addendum 1, hereby made a part of the above referenced Invitation to Bid (ITB).

Except as provided herein, all terms and condition in the ITB referenced above remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

Sincerely,

  
Charlie Crockett,  
Assistant Purchasing Agent

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**Addendum No. 1**

**Page Two**

This Addendum forms a part of the contract documents and modifies the original ITB documents as noted below:

Include the attached documents with bid:

- Bid Bond
- Bid General Requirements
- Insurance and Risk Management Provisions

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF ADDENDUM NO. 1**

The undersigned proposer acknowledges receipt of this addendum by returning one (1) copy of this form with the proposal package to the Purchasing Department, Fulton County Public Safety Building, 130 Peachtree Street, Suite 1168, Atlanta, Georgia 30335 by the ITB due date and time **Tuesday, August 30, 2005 no later than 11:00 A.M.**

This is to acknowledge receipt of Addendum No. 1, \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2005.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Legal Name of Bidder

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Authorized Representative

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

**BID BOND**

**05ITBR44246YB  
MEDICAL AND CLINICAL CLEANING SERVICES**

**FULTON COUNTY GOVERNMENT**

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, THAT WE \_\_\_\_\_

hereinafter called the PRINCIPAL, and \_\_\_\_\_

hereinafter called the SURETY, a corporation chartered and existing under the laws of the State of \_\_\_\_\_, and duly authorized to transact Surety business in the State of Georgia, are held and firmly bound unto the Fulton County Government, in the penal sum of \_\_\_\_\_ Dollars and Cents (\$\_\_\_\_\_) good and lawful money of the United States of America, to be paid upon demand of the Fulton County Government, to which payment well and truly to be made we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, jointly and severally and firmly by these presents.

WHEREAS the PRINCIPAL has submitted to the Fulton County Government, for 05ITBR44246YB-MEDICAL AND CLINICAL CLEANING SERVICES,] a Bid;

WHEREAS the PRINCIPAL desires to file this Bond in accordance with law;

NOW THEREFORE: The conditions of this obligation are such that if the Bid be accepted, the PRINCIPAL shall within ten (10) calendar days after receipt of written notification from the COUNTY of the award of the Contract execute a Contract in accordance with the Bid and upon the terms, conditions and prices set forth therein, in the form and manner required by the Fulton County Government, and execute sufficient and satisfactory Performance and Payment Bonds payable to the Fulton County Government, each in the amount of one hundred (100%) percent of the total contract price in form and with security satisfactory to said Fulton County Government, then this obligation to be void; otherwise, to be and remain in full force and virtue in law; and the SURETY shall upon failure of the PRINCIPAL to comply with any or all of the foregoing requirements within the time specified above immediately pay to the Fulton County Government, upon demand the amount hereof in good and lawful money of the United States of America, not as a penalty but as liquidated damages.

In the event suit is brought upon this Bond by the COUNTY and judgement is recovered, the SURETY shall pay all costs incurred by the COUNTY in such suit, including attorney's fees to be fixed by the Court.

Enclosed is a Bid Bond in the approved form, in the amount of

\_\_\_\_\_ Dollars

(\$ \_\_\_\_\_) being in the amount of five (5%) percent of the CONTRACT Sum. The money payable on this bond shall be paid to the Fulton County Government, for the failure of the Bidder to execute a CONTRACT within ten (10) days after receipt of the Contract form and at the same time furnish a Payment Bond and Performance Bond.

IN TESTIMONY THEREOF, the PRINCIPAL and SURETY have caused these presents to be duly signed and sealed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2003.

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
PRINCIPAL

\_\_\_\_\_ BY \_\_\_\_\_ (SEAL)

CERTIFICATE AS TO CORPORATE PRINCIPAL

I, \_\_\_\_\_, certify that I am the Secretary of the Corporation named as principal in the within bond; that \_\_\_\_\_, who signed the said bond of said corporation; that I know this signature, and his/her signature thereto is genuine; and that said bond was duly signed, sealed and attested for in behalf of said Corporation by authority of its governing body.

\_\_\_\_\_  
SECRETARY

(CORPORATE SEAL)

\_\_\_\_\_  
SURETY

\_\_\_\_\_ BY \_\_\_\_\_  
(SEAL)

## FULTON COUNTY PURCHASING DEPARTMENT

### BID GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

#### 05ITBR44246YB-MEDICAL AND CLINICAL CLEANING SERVICES

The following information pertains to the submission of a Bid to Fulton County, and contains instructions on how Bids must be presented in order to be considered. Listed below are the requirements for all Bidders interested in doing business with Fulton County.

1. The Bid sheets included in this Invitation to Bid ("Bid") must be fully completed and returned with the Bid unless otherwise specified in writing by the Purchasing Department. Type or neatly print the date, company name, and the full legal name and title of the person(s) signing the Bid in the place provided at the bottom of each Bid sheet. Any additional sheets submitted must contain the same signature and Bidder information.
2. Original signature(s) must appear on each page of the Bid document. All signatures must be executed by person(s) having contracting authority for the Bidder.
3. Absolutely no fax Bids or reproduction Bids will be accepted, except that photocopies may be submitted in addition to the original when multiple copies of the Bid are specifically requested in the solicitation.
4. The envelope in which the Bid response is submitted must be sealed and clearly labeled with the Bid number, project title, due date and time, and the name of the company or individual submitting the proposal. Bids must be received by the opening date and time shown on this Bid in order to be considered. The Purchasing Agent has no obligation to consider Bids which are not in properly marked envelopes. Contract Compliance submittals shall be submitted in a separate sealed envelope or package.
5. The original and the required number of copies of the Bid must be returned to:

Fulton County Purchasing Agent  
Fulton County Purchasing Department  
130 Peachtree Street, S.W., Suite 1168  
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Any inquiries, questions, clarifications or suggestions regarding this solicitation should be submitted in writing to the Purchasing Contact Person. Contact with any other County personnel in regard to a current solicitation is strictly prohibited in accordance with Fulton County "No Contact" policy outlined in Section 35.

6. Show information and prices in the format requested. Prices are to be quoted F.O.B. Destination, and must include all costs chargeable to the Contractor executing the Contract, including taxes. Unless otherwise provided in the Contract, Fulton County shall have no liability for any cost not included in the price. The Contractor shall provide Fulton County the benefit through a reduction in price of any decrease in the

Contractor's costs by reason of any tax exemption based upon Fulton County's status as a tax-exempt entity.

7. All prices Bid must be audited by the Bidder to ensure correctness before the Bid is submitted. The Bidder is solely responsible for the accuracy of information placed on a Bid sheet, including prices. Clerical or mathematical error is insufficient to void a successful Bid but a Bidder may withdraw a sealed Bid prior to opening without a penalty.
8. All prices must be submitted in the format requested and less all trade discounts. When multiple items are being Bid, Bidder must show both the unit price and the total extended price for each item. When applicable, the Bidder must include an additional lump sum Bid for groups or items. In the event a Bidder is offering an additional discount on groups of items, Bidder must indicate the total lump sum Bid for the particular group of items before any extra discount, the amount of extra discount, and the net total for the particular group. In the event of an extension error, unit pricing shall prevail.
9. By submitting a signed Bid, Bidder agrees to accept an award made as a result of that Bid under the terms and conditions spelled out in the Bid documents. In the event of a conflict between the different Bid documents, the County's cover Contract (if used) shall have precedence, followed in order by the Invitation to Bid, Purchase Order, Bid, Contractor's Warranty Agreement, Maintenance Agreement, and/or other Contractor provided agreements.
10. A Bidder may submit only one (1) Bid response for each specific Bid solicitation unless otherwise authorized in the specifications.
11. All prices submitted by the Bidder to Fulton County must be guaranteed by the authorized person(s) against any price increase for the time period designated in the Bid specifications, and Fulton County must be given the benefit of any price decrease occurring during such designated time period.
12. All items Bid must be new. Used, rebuilt and refurbished items will not be considered unless specifically authorized by Fulton County in the written specifications.
13. All Bidders must specify in the Bid response the earliest actual delivery date for each item unless otherwise specified in writing by Fulton County. The delivery date may be a factor in deciding the Bidder's capability to perform.
14. A successful Bidder's delivery ticket(s) and invoice(s) must list each item separately and must show Fulton County's purchase order number as well as the proper department and address to which delivery was made, as listed on the purchase order or in the Bidder's contract with Fulton County.
15. Unless clearly shown as "no substitute" or words to that effect, any items in this invitation to Bid which have been identified, described or referenced by a brand name or trade name are for reference only. Such identification is intended to be descriptive but not restrictive, and is to indicate the general quality and characteristics of products that may be offered. Each item Bid must be individually

identified as to whether it is a specified item or an equivalent item by typing or printing after the item(s): The brand name; model or manufacturer's number, or identification regularly used in the trade. Deviations from the specifications must be clearly and fully listed on the Bid sheet, including photographs or cuts, specifications, and dimensions of the proposed "alternate". Fulton County is the sole judge of "exact equivalent", or "alternate". The factors to be considered are: function, design, materials, construction, workmanship, finishes, operating features, overall quality, local service facilities, warranty terms and service, and other relevant features of item(s) Bid.

16. For all Bids, Fulton County reserves the right to request representative samples. If requested, samples must be delivered at the Bidder's cost within three (3) business days. Samples are submitted at the risk of the Bidder and may be subjected to destructive tests by Fulton County. Samples must be plainly tagged with Fulton County's Bid number, item name, manufacturer, and the name of the Bidder.
17. Item(s) Bid must be complete and ready to operate. No obvious omissions of components or necessary parts shall be made even though the specifications may not detail or mention them. Unit(s) must be furnished with factory installed equipment and must be comparable with the basic form, fit, and functional requirements which are all to be included in the base price as well as any other equipment included as standard by the manufacturer or generally provided to the buying public.
18. All successful Bidders must assume full responsibility for all item(s) damaged prior to F.O.B. Destination delivery and agree to hold harmless Fulton County of all responsibility for prosecuting damage claims.
19. All successful Bidders must assume full responsibility for replacement of all defective or damaged goods within thirty (30) days of notice by Fulton County of such defect or damage.
20. All successful Bidders must assume full responsibility for providing or ensuring warranty service on any and all items including goods, materials, or equipment provided to the County with warranty coverage. If a successful Bidder is not the manufacturer, all manufacturers' warranties must be passed through to Fulton County. The Bidder and not Fulton County is responsible for contacting the manufacturer of the warranty service provided during the warranty period and supervising the completion of the warranty service to the satisfaction of Fulton County.
21. As a successful Bidder providing any equipment which requires fitting and assembly, the Bidder shall be solely responsible for such installation being performed by a manufacturer's authorized or approved servicer or an experienced worker, utilizing workmanship of the highest caliber. The Bidder must verify all dimensions at the site, shall be responsible for their correctness, and shall be responsible for the availability of replacement parts when specified in writing by Fulton County in the specifications, purchase order, or other contract.

22. A successful Bidder is solely responsible for disposing of all wrappings, crating, and other disposable material upon deliver of item(s).
23. All Bidders are required to be authorized distributors or regularly engaged in the sale or distribution of the type of goods, materials, equipment or services for which the Bidder is submitting a Bid response in addition, all Bidders are required to provide Fulton County with three (3) written references documenting the successful completion of Bids or contracts for the types of items including goods, materials, equipment, or services for which the Bidder is submitting a Bid response. In instances where a Bidder has never supplied such goods, material, equipment, or services before, the Bidder must submit with the Bid response a statement and supporting documentation demonstrating such expertise, knowledge, or experience to establish the Bidder as a responsible Bidder, capable of meeting the Bid requirements should an award be made. No exceptions to this provision will be made unless authorized in the Bid specifications.
24. Bidders may be required to furnish evidence that they maintain permanent places of business of a type and nature compatible with their Bid proposal, and are in all respects competent and eligible vendors to fulfill the terms of the specifications. Fulton County may make such investigations as it deems necessary to determine the ability of the Bidder to perform such work, and reserves the right to reject any Bidder if evidence fails to indicate that the Bidder is qualified to carry out the obligation of the Contract and to complete the work satisfactorily.
25. All Bidders must comply with all Fulton County Purchasing laws, policies, and procedures, non-discrimination in contracting and procurement ordinances, and relevant state and federal laws including but not limited to compliance with EEOC hiring guidelines and requirements under the Americans with Disabilities Act. Successful Bidder must obtain all permits, licenses, and inspections as required and furnish all labor, materials, insurance, equipment, tools, supervision, and incidentals necessary to accomplish the work in these specifications.
26. If a successful Bidder is unable or unwilling to enter into a Contract with Fulton County subsequent to being granted an award, or who fails to perform in accordance with the Bid specifications the Bidder will be subject to damages and all other relief allowed by law.
27. Successful Bidders contract directly with Fulton County and are the party or parties obligated to perform. Contracts may not be assigned and any failure to perform the Contract in accordance with the specifications will constitute a breach of Contract and may result in a Bidder being found to be "non-responsive" in the future.
28. In case of default by the successful Bidder, Fulton County may procure the articles for services from another source and hold the successful Bidder responsible for any resulting excess cost.
29. The County may award any Bid in whole or in part to one or more vendors or reject all Bids and/or waive any technicalities if it is in the best interests of the County to do so. In the event that all Bids are not rejected, Bids for items including goods, materials, equipment, and services will be awarded to the lowest "responsible"

Bidder(s) as determined by Fulton County. Submitting the lowest Bid, as published at the Bid opening, does not constitute an award or the mutual expectation of an award of a Contract and purchase order. For purposes of this notice and the attached Bid sheets, a purchase order is a Contract to provide items including goods, materials, equipment, and services and is intended to have the full force and effect of a Contract. A breach of the terms and conditions of a purchase order constitutes a breach of Contract.

30. Bids for projects that are solicited pursuant to the Georgia Local Government Public Works Construction Law (O.C.G.A. § 36-91-1 et seq.) may withdrawn as follows:

Competitive sealed Bids ("Bid") may not be revoked or withdrawn until 60 days after the time set by the governmental entity for opening of Bids. At the end of this time period, the Bid will cease to be valid, unless the Bidder provides written notice to the County prior to the scheduled expiration date that the Bid will be extended for a time period specified by the County.

31. In the evaluation of the Bids, any award will be subject to the Bid being:
- A. Compliant to the specification – meets form, fit, and function requirements stated or implied in the specification.
  - B. Lowest cost to the County over projected useful life.
  - C. Administratively Compliant – Including all required bonds, insurance, established quality of work and general reputation, financial responsibility, relevant experience, and related criteria.

32. All proposals and Bids submitted to Fulton County are subject to the Georgia "Open Records Act", Official Code of Georgia, Annotated (O.C.G.A.) §50-18-70 et seq.

33. All proposals and Bids submitted to Fulton County involving Utility Contracting are subject to the Georgia law governing licensing of Utility Contractors, O.C.G.A. §43-14-8.2(h). The Utility Contractor License number of the person who will perform the utility work shall be written on the face of the Bid envelope.

34. The apparent silence of this specification, and any supplement thereto, as to details, of the omission from it of a detailed description concerning any point, will be regarded as meaning only the best commercial practices are to prevail. Only materials of the highest quality, correct type, size, and design are to be used. All interpretations of this specification will be made upon the basis of this statement, with Fulton County interpretation to prevail.

35. It is the policy of Fulton County that the evaluation and award process for County contracts shall be free from both actual and perceived impropriety, and that contacts between potential vendors and County officials, elected officials and staff regarding pending awards of County contracts shall be prohibited.

- A. No person, firm, or business entity, however situated or composed, obtaining a copy of or responding to this solicitation, shall initiate or continue any verbal or written communication regarding this solicitation with any County officer, elected official, employee, or designated County

representative, between the date of the issuance of this solicitation and the date of the County Manager's recommendation to the Board of Commissioners for award of the subject contract, except as may otherwise be specifically authorized and permitted by the terms and conditions of this solicitation.

- B. All verbal and written communications initiated by such person, firm, or entity regarding this solicitation, if same are authorized and permitted by the terms and conditions of this solicitation, shall be directed to the Purchasing Agent.
  - C. Any violation of this prohibition of the initiation or continuation of verbal or written communications with County officers, elected officials, employees, or designated County representatives shall result in a written finding by the Purchasing Agent that the submitted Bid or proposal of the person, firm, or entity in violation is "non-responsive", and same shall not be considered for award.
36. Any Bidder intending to respond to this solicitation as a Joint Venture must submit an executed Joint Venture Agreement with this Bid. This agreement must designate those persons or entities authorized to execute documents or otherwise bind the Joint Venture in all transactions with Fulton County, or are accompanied by a document, binding upon the Joint Venture and its constituent members, making such designation. Bids from Joint Ventures that do not include these documents will be rejected as being "non-responsive".
37. Any Bidder intending to respond to this solicitation must complete all of the Procurement Affidavit Forms provided in this solicitation. Bids that do not include these completed documents will be rejected as being "non-responsive".

## Insurance and Risk Management Provisions

It is Fulton County Government's practice to obtain Certificates of Insurance from our Contractors and Vendors. Insurance must be written by a licensed agent in a company licensed to write insurance in the State of Georgia. Respondents shall submit with the bid/proposal evidence of insurability satisfactory to Fulton County Government as to form and content. Either of the following forms of evidence is acceptable:

- A letter from an insurance carrier stating that upon your firm/company being the successful Bidder/Respondent that a Certificate of Insurance shall be issued in compliance with the Insurance and Risk Management Provisions outlined below.
- A Certificate of Insurance complying with the Insurance and Risk Management Provisions outlined below (Request for Bid/Proposal number and Project Description must appear on the Certificate of Insurance).

Upon award, the Contractor/Vendor must maintain at their expense, insurance with policy limits equal to or greater than the limits described below. Any and all Insurance Coverage(s) and Bonds required under the terms and conditions of the contract shall be maintained during the entire length of the contract, including any extensions or renewals thereto, and until all work has been completed to the satisfaction of Fulton County Government.

Accordingly the Respondent shall provide a certificate evidencing the following:

**1. WORKERS COMPENSATION/EMPLOYERS'S LIABILITY INSURANCE – STATUTORY (In compliance with the Georgia Workers Compensation Acts and any other State or Federal Acts or Provisions in which jurisdiction may be granted)**

Employer's Liability Insurance	BY ACCIDENT - EACH ACCIDENT	-	\$500,000.
Employer's Liability Insurance	BY DISEASE - POLICY LIMIT	-	\$500,000.
(Aggregate)	BY DISEASE - EACH EMPLOYEE	-	\$500,000.

**2. COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY INSURANCE (Including contractual Liability Insurance)**

Bodily Injury and Property Damage Liability	Each Occurrence	-	\$1,000,000
(Other than Products/Completed Operations)	General Aggregate	-	\$2,000,000
Products\Completed Operation	Aggregate Limit	-	\$1,000,000
Personal and Advertising Injury	Limits	-	\$1,000,000
Fire Damage	Limits	-	\$100,000

**3. BUSINESS AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY INSURANCE**

<b>Combined Single Limits</b>	Each Occurrence	-	\$1,000,000
(Including operation of non-owned, owned, and hired automobiles).			

**4. ELECTRONIC DATA PROCESSING LIABILITY**

(Required if computer contractor)	Limits	-	\$1,000,000
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**5. UMBRELLA LIABILITY**

(In excess of above noted coverage's)	Each Occurrence	-	\$2,000,000
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**6. PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY**

(Required if respondent providing professional services).	Each Occurrence	-	\$1,000,000
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**7. FIDELITY BOND**

(Employee Dishonesty)

Each Occurrence

-

\$ 100,000

Certificates shall state that the policy or policies shall not expire, be cancelled or altered without at least thirty (30) days prior written notice to Fulton County Government. Policies and Certificates of Insurance are to list Fulton County Government as an Additional Insured (except for Workers' Compensation) and shall conform to all terms and conditions (including coverage of the indemnification and hold harmless agreement) contained in the Insurance and Risk Management Provisions.

If Fulton County Government shall so request, the Offeror, Contractor or Vendor will furnish the County for its inspection and approval such policies of insurance with all endorsements, or confirmed specimens thereof certified by the insurance company to be true and correct copies.

Such certificates and notices shall be sent to:

Fulton County Government – Purchasing Department  
130 Peachtree Street, S.W.  
Suite 1168  
Atlanta, Georgia 30303-3459

The Contractor/Vendor shall insure that the Request for Bid/Proposal number and Project Description appears on the Certificate of Insurance.

It is understood that **insurance in no way Limits the Liability of the Contractor/Vendor.**

INDEMNIFICATION AND HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT

**Contractor/Vendor hereby agrees to release, indemnify, defend and hold harmless the County, it's Commissioners, officers, employees, subcontractors, successors, assigns and agents, from and against any and all losses (including death), claims, damages, liabilities, costs and expenses (including but not limited to all actions, proceedings, or investigations in respect thereof and any costs of judgments, settlements, court costs, attorney's fees or expenses, regardless of the outcome of any such action, proceeding, or investigation), caused by, relating to, based upon or arising out of any act or omission by contractor, it's directors, officers, employees, subcontractors, successors, assigns or agents, or otherwise in connection with it's acceptance, or the performance, or nonperformance, of it's obligations under this agreements.**

THE OFFEROR ACKNOWLEDGES HAVING READ, UNDERSTANDING, AND AGREES TO COMPLY WITH THE ABOVE STATEMENTS, AND IS AUTHORIZED TO SIGN CONTRACTS ON BEHALF OF THE RESPONDING COMPANY.

COMPANY: \_\_\_\_\_ SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_