

October 19, 2006

INVITATION TO BID

Sealed bids will be received by the City of Auburn, Alabama, until 11:00 a.m., local time, on Friday, October 27, 2006, in the Office of the City Manager, 144 Tichenor Avenue, Auburn, Alabama, and then publicly opened and read for furnishing the following:

Self Contained Breathing Apparatus Cylinder Valve Assemblies, Tool Kit with Wrench, and Installation of Assemblies

Bid specifications are attached. The City is requiring bid prices on approximately 80 Self Contained Breathing Apparatus cylinder valve assemblies (4500 PSIG), tool kit, wrench, and installation of assemblies. Please direct any questions to Chief Larry Langley at 334.501.3160.

Bids must be submitted on the attached form within a sealed envelope addressed:
City Manager, City of Auburn
144 Tichenor Avenue, Suite 1
Auburn, AL 36830

Envelope must be plainly marked on the outside as follows:

BID: Self Contained Breathing Apparatus Cylinder valve assemblies (4500 PSIG)
OPENING: 11:00 a.m., local time
DATE: Friday, October 27, 2006

The city reserves the right to select the lowest responsible bidder as the best interest of the city may require, to award the purchase contract from any of the bids, to reject any or all bids, and to waive any informalities in bids received. Bid will be good for ninety (90) days after being opened by the City of Auburn, Alabama.

The successful bidder must possess or obtain appropriate license to conduct business in the City of Auburn, if the nature of the transaction requires such license.

The successful bidder will note that the City pays by invoice on each Friday of the month. Invoices must be received by accounts payable at least seven working days before the scheduled check date. If you have any questions concerning billing, contact our accounts payable office at 334.501.7237 or 7238.

City of Auburn

Karen S. Broome
Purchasing Officer

Valve Assembly Requirements for Scott Cylinder

The cylinder valve threads shall be straight with an O-ring or quad-ring gasket type seal.

The cylinder valve shall be a "fail open" type, constructed of forged aluminum and designed such that no stem packing or packing gland nuts are required.

The cylinder valve shall contain an upper and lower seat such that the pressure will seal the stem on the upper seat, thus preventing leakage past the stem. No adjustment shall be necessary during the life of the valve.

The cylinder valve outlet shall be a modification of the Compressed Gas Association (CGA) H/S 5775 Rev E 08/02 standard threaded connection number 346 for breathing air (Proposed CGA connection No. 347) with a tri-lobe ergonomically designed hand-wheel.

The valve shall be constructed such that damage will not occur if the coupling is over-torqued by hand.

Each cylinder valve shall consist of the following:

- 1) a hand activated valve mechanism with a spring-loaded, positive action, ratchet type safety lock and lock-out release for selecting "lock open service" or "non-lock open service";
- 2) an upstream connected frangible disc safety relief device;
- 3) a dual reading pressure gauge indicating cylinder pressure at all time,
- 4) an elastomeric bumper;
- 5) an angled outlet.

Each cylinder and valve assembly shall be equipped with a hanger bracket for positive locking attachment of the assembly to the backframe.

Successful bidder agrees to provide, a factory-trained service technician to install the valve assemblies into compliant cylinders provided by the City of Auburn. Any exceptions to these specifications must be detailed in a separate attachment, and failure to do so will automatically disqualify the bidder. Successful bidder must be a factory-authorized distributor to sell the equipment specified herein.

CITY OF AUBURN

BID PROPOSAL

Approximately eighty (80) valve assemblies (4500 PSIG) for Scott Cylinder , cylinder tool kit and wrench, and installation of valve assemblies.

TO: City of Auburn

We, the undersigned, propose to furnish the items listed below and guarantee that if we are awarded the bid, we will furnish these goods in accordance with the attached specifications.

YOU MUST SPECIFY THE EXACT EQUIPMENT BEING BID
(Enclose brochures/description documents if needed)

PRICE WILL BE GUARANTEED FOR ONE YEAR

Scott Cylinder Valve Assemblies \$ _____

Cylinder Tool Kit and Wrench \$ _____

Installation of Valve Assemblies \$ _____

Total PRICE: \$ _____

ESTIMATED DELIVERY DATE: _____
(DELIVERY DATE IS IMPORTANT CONSIDERATION)

Exceptions: _____

Authorized Signature

Name of Company

Printed Name

Address

Date

City, State Zip

Phone/Fax Number