

REQUEST FOR QUOTES (RFQ) #2021-32

Issue Date: Friday, July 30, 2021

Project Name:	Water Treatment Services		
Quote Due Date/Time:	September 13, 2021, 1:00 PM		
Mandatory Walkthrough:	Please schedule before August 3, 2021, via email request to Project Coordinator.		
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 “RFQ #2021-32” IN THE SUBJECT LINE**

1. ANNOUNCEMENT AND SPECIAL INFORMATION

Quoters are required to read and understand and comply with all information contained within this Request for Quotes (“RFQ”). All quotes are binding upon quoter for thirty (30) days from the Quote Due Date/Time. All payments for services will be paid in accordance with Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 293.462. Quotes received after the Quote Due Date/Time indicated above may not be considered. If authorized in this RFQ, resulting contract, travel, and other expenses will only be reimbursed in accordance with the Oregon Institute of Technology (“Oregon Tech”) Contractor’s Travel Reimbursement Policy in effect at the time the expense is incurred.

It will be the responsibility of the quoter to refer daily to the Public University Procurement Website (<https://www2.wou.edu/nora/orpu.bid.home>) to check for any available addenda, response(s) to clarifying questions, cancellations, or other information pertaining to this RFQ.

2. SCOPE

The purpose of this RFQ is to provide the following water treatment services to Oregon Tech on its Klamath Falls, Oregon campus. The selected contractor will provide a comprehensive water treatment service that achieves all the following objectives:

- A. Provide legionella risk assessment of all water systems to minimize all associated health risks to building occupants and those in the surrounding communities as well as facility operators, contractors and contractor personnel.
- B. Extend the longevity of water process systems via mitigating corrosion, scaling, and biological fouling.
- C. Maximize energy, water, and chemical efficiency by optimizing cleanliness of exchange surfaces.
- D. Provide operator handsfree safe and error free deliveries and transfers of treatment chemicals into contractor provided Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) complying dual containment tanks and filter feeders with ZERO residence time of empty or filled transit containers.

- E. Provide monthly, and as required, onsite sampling, onsite testing, onsite analyzing, onsite troubleshooting, onsite interpreting, and cloud-based reporting by degreed chemist or chemical engineer with at least fifteen (15) years of experience.
- F. Provide system integrity validation, which shall include all the following:
 - i. Monitor microbiological levels to mitigate organic insulation efficiency impedance.
 - ii. Provide legionella and laboratory testing.
 - iii. Monitor the levels of all metals comprising each system and maintain them within specifications.
 - iv. Monitor corrosion coupons where coupon racks are installed to measure metal loss rates.
 - v. Monitor correlations of mineral concentration ratios to cycle concentrations to ensure scale mitigation.
 - vi. Monitor scaling indices and models to insure scale mitigation.
 - vii. Monitor make-up and bleed water meters to metric water use.
 - viii. Monitor energy meters to metric energy use.
 - ix. Survey water process systems (e.g., boilers) when open for inspection.
 - x. Monitor the progress of all systems (inside and out) with photo library.
- G. Minimize the impact on local environmental resources, including water consumption and the environmental impact of tower discharge.
- H. Provide a high sense of urgency and professionalism.
- I. Prevent unscheduled down time for critical systems and minimize downtime for all other systems.
- J. Provide multi-directional communications, training, measurements, and quality.

Service to be provided must be interpreted as the testing of all treated systems, which shall include review of log sheets, and inventory and inspection of chemical feed equipment.

Treatment applications are to include both active and idle systems.

Services on an As-Need Basis

The selected contractor will provide a service monitoring program on an as-needed basis, which shall include, but not be limited to the following:

- a. Engineering recommendations for mechanical improvement of existing systems.
- b. Weekly visits during the beginning of the treatment program, and monthly visits thereafter.
- c. Documentation of all studies and evaluations including overall heat transfer co-efficient.
- d. Biological studies with respect to colony growth and effective kill rates.
- e. Deposit analysis.

Service shall include initial studies identifying plant data sheets with parameters and initial conditions, and feed water quality.

Locations on Campus

The selected contractor shall provide services in the following buildings on Oregon Tech's Klamath Falls, Oregon campus: Purvine Hall, Center for Excellent in Engineering and Technology (CEET_), large power plan, and chiller building.

Work Product

A written service report shall be provided to all designated Oregon Tech personnel at the end of each service visit. The selected contractor shall guarantee the chemical program and its services to produce equipment that is minimally free of scale, sludge, pitting, corrosion, and biological growths when treatment is administered as recommended.

All heat exchange surfaces shall be kept free of deposition and biological growth.

Meetings

The selected contractor will be required to attend meetings with Oregon Tech personnel on a quarterly basis. The meetings will review results, service, and control, and identify areas where additional improvements can be made. The topics covered will include all the following:

- I. Service visits to the site by service personnel during the quarter.
- II. Control and operating results.
- III. Fouling and corrosion data.
- IV. Project list and update, documentation of ROI on all proposed projects must be included.

Term of Contract

The anticipated term of the contract is November 1, 2021 through October 31, 2022, with the option for three (3) successive one (1) year renewal terms, subject to Oregon Tech's discretion.

3. QUOTE

Quotes should be short and concise with the following information:

- A. Company experience in these types of services;
- B. Experience of staff who will provide services;
- C. Fee schedule, on a time and material basis, with a project total not-to-exceed price to complete the project, including a breakdown of the not-to-exceed fee and not-to-exceed reimbursable expenses;
- D. References; and
- E. Any additional information that Oregon Tech should take into consideration for the project or qualifications.

4. EVALUATION

Quotes will be evaluated based on subjective factors, including but not limited to the following: company experience, staff experience, not-to-exceed price to provide services as outlined, and references.

**OREGON INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY
CERTIFICATION
RFQ #2021-32**

Each quoter responding to this RFQ must read, complete, and submit a copy of this Oregon Institute of Technology Certification (“Certification”) with their quote. Failure to do so may result in rejection of quote. By signature on this Certification the undersigned certifies that they are authorized to act on behalf of the quoter and that under penalty of perjury, the undersigned will comply with the following:

SECTION I. OREGON TAX LAWS

As required in ORS 305.385(6) the undersigned hereby certifies that to the best of the undersigned’s knowledge, the entity is not in violation of any Oregon Tax Laws. For purposes of this Certification, “Oregon Tax Laws” means a state tax imposed by the Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS) 401.792 to 401.816 and ORS Chapters 118, 314, 316, 317, 318, 320, 321, and 323; the elderly rental assistance program under ORS 310.630 to 310.706; and local taxes administered by the Department of Revenue under ORS 305.620. If a contract is executed, this information will be reported to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS). Information not matching IRS records could subject entity to 24% backup withholding.

SECTION II. AFFIRMATIVE ACTION

The undersigned hereby certifies that they have not discriminated against Minority, Women, or Emerging Small Business Enterprises in obtaining any required subcontracts, pursuant to Oregon Tech Policy 580-061-0030(3).

SECTION III. COMPLIANCE WITH SOLICITATION

The undersigned further agrees and certifies that they:

1. Have read, understand and agree to be bound by and comply with all requirements, instructions, specifications, terms, and conditions of the RFQ (including any attachments);
2. Are an authorized representative of the quoter;
3. That the information provided is true and accurate, and that providing incorrect or incomplete information may be cause for rejection of the quote or contract termination; and
4. Will furnish the designated item(s) and/or service(s) in accordance with the RFQ and quote.

Company Name: _____ Date: _____

Signature: _____ Title: _____

Name: _____ Telephone: _____

Email: _____ OR CCB #(if applicable): _____

Business Designation (check one):

Corporation Partnership Sole Proprietorship Non-Profit Limited Liability Company

Oregon Certified Minority, Women, or Emerging Small Business: (Mark if applicable and certification #)

Minority: _____ Women: _____ ESB: _____

Self-Reported Minority, Women, or Emerging Small Business: (Mark if applicable)

Minority: _____ Women: _____ ESB: _____

**OREGON INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY
INSTRUCTIONS TO QUOTERS**

Quotes are subject to the applicable provisions and requirements of the Oregon Tech Policy and Oregon Revised Statutes.

QUOTE PREPARATION

1. **QUOTE FORMAT:** Quotes must be submitted as indicated in the RFQ. Quotes may be submitted in writing to Oregon Tech's office via e-mail.
2. **CONFORMANCE TO RFQ REQUIREMENTS:** Quotes must conform to the requirements of the RFQ. Unless otherwise specified, all items quoted are to be new, unused, and not remanufactured in any way. Any requested attachments must be submitted with the quote and in the required format. Quote prices must be for the unit indicated on the quote. Failure to comply with all requirements may result in quote rejection.
3. **ADDENDA:** Only documents issued as addenda by Oregon Tech serve to change the RFQ in any way. No other directions received by the quoter, written or verbal, serve to change the RFQ document. NOTE: IF YOU HAVE RECEIVED A COPY OF THE RFQ, YOU SHOULD CONSULT THE PUBLIC UNIVERSITY PROCUREMENT WEBSITE (<https://www2.wou.edu/nora/orpu.bid.home>) TO ENSURE THAT YOU HAVE NOT MISSED ANY ADDENDA OR ANNOUNCEMENTS. QUOTERS ARE NOT REQUIRED TO RETURN ADDENDUMS WITH THEIR QUOTE. HOWEVER, QUOTERS ARE RESPONSIBLE TO MAKE THEMSELVES AWARE OF, OBTAIN, AND INCORPORATE ANY CHANGES MADE IN ANY ADDENDUMS ISSUED, AND TO INCORPORATE ANY CHANGES MADE BY ADDENDUM INTO THEIR FINAL QUOTE. FAILURE TO DO SO MAY, IN EFFECT, MAKE THE QUOTER'S QUOTE NON-RESPONSIVE, WHICH MAY CAUSE THE QUOTE TO BE REJECTED.
4. **USE of BRAND or TRADE NAMES:** Any brand or trade names used by Oregon Tech in the specifications are for the purpose of describing and establishing the standard of quality, performance, and characteristics desired, and are not intended to limit or restrict competition. Quoters may submit quotes for substantially equivalent products to those designated unless the RFQ provides that a specific brand is necessary because of compatibility requirements, etc. All such brand substitutions shall be subject to approval by Oregon Tech.
5. **PRODUCT IDENTIFICATION:** Quoters must clearly identify all products quoted. Brand name and model or number must be shown. Oregon Tech reserves the right to reject any quote when the product information submitted with the quote is incomplete.
6. **F.O.B. DESTINATION:** Unless specifically allowed in the RFQ, ***QUOTE PRICE MUST BE F.O.B. DESTINATION with all transportation and handling charges included in the quote.***
7. **DELIVERY:** Delivery time must be shown in number of calendar days after receipt of purchase order.
8. **EXCEPTIONS:** Any deviation from quote specifications, or the Oregon Institute of Technology Professional Services Contract may result in quote rejection.
9. **SIGNATURE ON QUOTE:** Quotes must be signed by an authorized representative of the quoter. Signature on a quote certifies that the quote is made without connection with any person, firm or corporation making a quote for the same goods and/or services and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud. Signature on a quote also certifies that the quoter has read and fully understands all quote specifications, and the Oregon Institute of Technology Professional Services Contract

(including insurance requirements). No consideration will be given to any claim resulting from quoting without comprehending all requirements of the RFQ.

10. **QUOTE MODIFICATION:** Quotes, once submitted, may be modified in writing before the time and date set for quote closing. Any modifications should be signed by an authorized representative, and state that the new document supersedes or modifies the prior quote. Quoters may not modify quotes after quote closing time.
11. **QUOTE WITHDRAWALS:** Quotes may be withdrawn by request in writing signed by an authorized representative and received by Oregon Tech prior to quote closing time. Quotes may also be withdrawn in person before quote closing time upon presentation of appropriate identification.
12. **QUOTE SUBMISSION:** Quotes may be submitted by returning to Oregon Tech Purchasing and Contract Services Office in the location designated in the introduction of the RFQ via email, mail, or in person, but no oral, fax, or telephone quotes will be accepted. Envelopes, or e-mails containing Quotes should contain the RFQ Number and RFQ Title.

QUOTE EVALUATION AND AWARD

1. **PRIOR ACCEPTANCE OF DEFECTIVE PROPOSALS:** Due to limited resources, Oregon Tech generally will not completely review or analyze quotes, which fail to comply with the requirements of the RFQ or which clearly are not the best quotes, nor will Oregon Tech generally investigate the references or qualifications of those who submit such quotes. Therefore, neither the return of a quote, nor acknowledgment that the selection is complete shall operate as a representation by Oregon Tech that an unsuccessful quote was complete, sufficient, or lawful in any respect.
2. **DELIVERY:** Significant delays in delivery may be considered in determining award if early delivery is required.
3. **CASH DISCOUNTS:** Cash discounts will not be considered for award purposes unless stated in the RFQ.
4. **PAYMENT:** Quotes which require payment in less than thirty (30) days after receipt of invoice or delivery of goods, whichever is later, may be rejected.
5. **INVESTIGATION OF REFERENCES:** Oregon Tech reserves the right to investigate references and or the past performance of any quoter with respect to its successful performance of similar services, compliance with specifications and contractual obligations, and its lawful payment of suppliers, sub-contractors, and workers. Oregon Tech may postpone the award or execution of the contract after the announcement of the apparent successful quoter in order to complete its investigation. Oregon Tech reserves the right to reject any quote or to reject all quotes at any time prior to Oregon Tech's execution of a contract if it is determined to be in the best interest of Oregon Tech to do so.
6. **METHOD OF AWARD:** Oregon Tech reserves the right to make the award by item, groups of items or entire quote, whichever is in the best interest of Oregon Tech.
7. **QUOTE REJECTION:** Oregon Tech reserves the right to reject any and all quotes.
8. **QUOTE RESULTS:** Quoters who submit a quote will be notified of the RFQ results. Awarded quote files are public records and available for review by appointment.