

PRE-QUALIFICATION OF THERMAL WASTE TREATMENT TECHNOLOGY VENDORS

RFQ Submission Requirements

- RFQ submissions will be received by the Durham Region Clerk and the names of respondents recorded at public meeting following the date and deadline for submissions (no other information will be revealed at the meeting).
- RFQ submissions will be initially reviewed for compliance to bidding requirements and mandatory criteria, and then forwarded to the expert Technical and Financial teams for evaluation of rated criteria.
- RFQ Submissions will be evaluated against criteria including:

Mandatory Technical Criteria: (Note: Pass/Fail)

- Submission of a complete and compliant qualification package;
- Proposal of a thermal waste processing technology that is System 2(a) or 2(b), as defined in the Durham York Residual Waste Environmental Assessment documentation and previously adopted by Council;
- Identification of proposed core project team (lead, designer, constructor and operator);

Rated Technical Criteria: (Note: To be considered for qualification short listing, respondent submissions must attain a minimum 60 percent score in each category)

Reference Facilities - Part A:

- Scale of operation in relation to the Project requirements;
- Previous Term of Operation and type of feedstock.

Reference Facilities - Part B:

- Involvement of proposed core project team in reference facility;
- Compliance record, process description and integration into host community

Proposed Project Team:

- Related experience, expertise and roles of each team member;
- Proposed project team structure and organization.

Proposed Durham York Facility:

- Fulfillment of Durham York objectives;
- Facility description, operating plan and similarity to reference facilities;

References for each reference facility confirming:

- The owner/operator, local regulatory agency and host municipality;
- Past projects and roles of proposed core project team members.

Mandatory Financial Criteria: (Note: Pass/Fail)

- The prime team member(s) must provide evidence of the ability to provide construction performance bonding in accordance with RFQ requirements.

Rated Financial Criteria: (Note: To be considered for qualification short listing, respondent submissions must attain a minimum 60 percent score in each category)

- Organization Structure, Roles and Responsibilities of Team;
- Sufficient Capacity to design, build and operate the EFW;
- Sufficient Condition to design, build and operate the EFW; and
- Previous experience and details on corporate structure

Upon completion of evaluations by the evaluation teams, a shortlist of vendors will be recommended, comprised of the highest rated submissions, subject to the endorsement of Regional Council. It is anticipated the RFP document will be released in December 2007, just after the preferred site location is approved and commercial agreements are prepared.

The overall evaluation process will be closely monitored by a senior representative from KPMG Consultants, retained by the Regions as an independent third party Fairness Monitor.

To ensure complete fairness to all vendors, suppliers, consultants, staff and elected officials, the RFQ document will include a generally accepted anti- lobbying clause. This will require all vendors or proponents to direct any questions or concerns through a designated Regional representative only and the provisions of the anti lobbying clause extends from the date of the release of the RFQ to the completion of the formal award of an EFW design, build operate contract by both Durham and York Regional Councils (Refer to Attachment 2 for Proposed Anti-Lobbying Clause)

The RFQ document is currently under active development and review by Durham and York Regional staff and it is anticipated that the release date will be shortly following the authority to release the RFQ by Council in April 2007.