



Westbrook Fire & Rescue Department

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Request for Proposals

Fixed Gallonage Break-apart Nozzles

Sealed proposals for furnishing twenty three (23) Fixed Gallonage Break-apart Nozzles for the City of Westbrook, as specified in the attached pages of specifications, will be received by the Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, 2 York Street, Westbrook, Maine 04092, until 2:00pm, on November 19th, 2013 at which time they will be publicly opened and read.

Proposals shall be submitted in a sealed envelope, plainly marked, "Proposal for Nozzles", and shall be addressed to the Office of the City Clerk, Westbrook City Hall, 2 York Street, Westbrook, Maine 04092.

Delivery shall be F.O.B., Westbrook Public Safety Building, 570 Main Street, Westbrook, Maine.

It is the custom of the City of Westbrook to pay its bills within 30 days following delivery of and receipt of all bills for all items covered by the purchase order. In submitting proposals under attached specifications vendors must take into consideration all discounts allowed in accordance with the above payment policy. All vendors should quote net prices, therefore, exclusive of all Federal Excise Taxes and Maine State Sales Tax. It is the policy of the City of Westbrook that all major purchases are required to have two readings & passage by the City Council. In this regard, proposal prices are to remain in effect for a minimum of 120 days after proposal opening.

The City of Westbrook reserves the right to waive all informalities in proposals, to reject any and all non-conforming or conditional proposals, and to accept any proposal, portion there of, or reject any or all proposals should it be deemed in its best interest to do so. Except as otherwise required by law or as specifically provided to the contrary herein, the City of Westbrook shall govern the award of this proposal.

All proposals will be opened publicly and submitters or their representatives may be present at the RFP opening. The proposals will be available for public inspection after opening but abstracts will not be prepared for distribution by the city.

Award will be made taking into consideration the quality of the product, conformance with the specifications, suitability for the intended purpose; ultimate cost to the City, warranty, specification evaluations by the fire rescue department, and with the overall recommendation from the Chief of The Fire Rescue Department.

Any questions relative to this RFP may be directed to:

Fire Chief Michael Pardue at 207-854-0654 extension 405 or via e-mail at mpardue@westbrook.me.us

Deputy Chief Wayne Jones at 207-854-0654 extension 306 or via e-mail at wjones@westbrook.me.us.

Intent of Specifications

It is the intent of these specifications to cover the furnishing and delivery to the purchaser of the nozzles as hereinafter specified. With a view to obtaining the best results and the most acceptable nozzles, these specifications cover minimum requirements as to the type of construction, finish, and tests to which the nozzles must conform. Minor details of construction and materials, where not otherwise specified, are left to the discretion of the contractor, who shall be solely responsible for the design and construction. The nozzles shall conform to the requirements of the current (at the time of bid) NFPA 1964 Standard for Spray Nozzles. A copy of the Certificate of Conformance shall be included with this proposal to the above standard.

SUBMITTERS ARE ADVISED THAT THIS SECTION OF THE SPECIFICATIONS WILL BE EVALUATED BEFORE THE NOZZLES TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS. PROPOSALS THAT DO NOT COMPLY WITH OUR , DELIVERY, BIDDER QUALIFICATIONS, SERVICE, AND WARRANTY REQUIREMENTS WILL BE IMMEDIATELY DEEMED NON-RESPONSIVE AND SHALL BE IMMEDIATELY REJECTED WITHOUT FURTHER REVIEW OF THE TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS.

Qualification of Bidders

Bids will only be considered on nozzles constructed in the continental United States, whose manufacturers have an established reputation of permanency and reliability in the field of nozzle construction. Each manufacturer shall furnish satisfactory evidence of their ability to construct the nozzle as specified, and shall state the location of the factory where the complete nozzle will be built.

Pre Order Meeting

It should be known that the winning bidder will attend a Pre Order meeting at which time all color coding and final items as listed in this RFP from both the purchaser and vendor will be exchanged.

Service Requirements

It is the intent of the purchaser to assure that parts and service are readily available for the nozzles specified. Please state required information:

Can the spec'd nozzles be repaired in house? _____

Does the vendor have parts on hand to make repairs? _____

If the nozzles have to be sent out for repair, what is the location of the repair facility? _____

Delivery

The nozzles shall be delivered to 570 Main Street, Westbrook, Maine
Upon delivery the vendor will supply the department with printed paperwork to the department with all technical information and a parts list to the nozzles as built.

Construction Time

The completed nozzles shall be delivered in as little time as possible. Please state the number of days required for completion of the nozzles.

Number of days to delivery from signing of the contract: _____

Color Coding

Each dealer/distributor shall provide what colors that are available and what can be color coded i.e. Bumper, Handle and or Pistol Grip. Also state if the Pistol Grip can be coded a different color than the Handle and Bumper. A list of color coding will be provided at the Pre Order meeting.

Training

It should be known that the winning vendor shall provide to the department at the Pre-Order meeting an exact nozzle to what is being purchased for training proposes. This nozzle will be returned upon the delivery of the new nozzles.

Warranty

Each dealer/distributor shall submit a copy of their standard warranty in compliance with State and Federal regulations. Any pro-rated warranties shall include details as to the pro-rating schedule and the monetary responsibilities of the purchaser at any given time within the warranty period. To be included with their proposal.

Nozzle Specifications

It should be known that all nozzles will be 1 ½” nozzle:

Fixed Gallonage Break –apart with Integral Smooth Bore 50 psi at 175 gpm

Female 1 ½ “ coupling will be NPSH , lightweight aluminum valve body with Horseshoe handle, with 1 3/8s” waterway with full round ball valve. Integral Smooth Bore will be 15/16s” The Break- apart male and female threads will be 1 ½” NPSH, with Pistol Grip. The nozzle will have a built in flush feature to allow passage of debris.

Other nozzle styles than what has been spec'd will not be considered.

Optional Equipment

Each dealer/distributor shall submit a price for custom engraving. The word WESTBROOK to be placed on the valve body. The exact location is TBD at a Pre-Order meeting.

Trade in Allowance

- All proposals shall include a Trade in Allowance on the following described nozzles:

It should be known that all nozzles are 1 ½" NPSH

- 2- Elkhart 75psi at 150 gpm w/ pistol grip fixed gallonage
- 2- Elkhart 75psi at 175 gpm w / pistol grip w Break-apart with Integral Smooth Bore 15/16th fixed gallonage
- 1-Elkhart Smooth Bore 15/16ths" tip w/ pistol grip
- 4- TFT Automatic Nozzles w/ pistol grip 75psi
- 10- TFT Automatic Nozzles 50- 350 gpm w/ pistol grip 100psi
- 1-POK 200 gpm fixed gallonage w/ pistol grip
- 2- Akron Selectable 100 psi