



# Department of Purchasing & Contract Compliance

Felicia Strong-Whitaker, Interim Director

## E-Verify Affidavit Required

**REQUEST FOR E-QUOTE NUMBER:**

**14DW91570C**

**PROJECT TITLE: Hazardous Medical Waste Disposal Services**

**DEPARTMENT: Medical Examiner's Department**

**DUE DATE: January 27, 2014**

**WILL BE RECEIVED UNTIL: 2:00 P.M.**

**LAST DAY FOR QUESTIONS: January 22, 2014**

BIDDERS MAY SUBMIT REQUESTS FOR CLARIFICATION OR QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS E-QUOTE TO THE PURCHASING CONTACT PERSON LISTED BELOW. ANY REQUEST SHALL ONLY BE SUBMITTED IN WRITING (FAX OR EMAIL). ALL RESPONSES TO WRITTEN REQUEST(S) WILL BE DISTRIBUTED AS ADDENDA TO THIS E-QUOTE AND POSTED ON THE FULTON COUNTY WEBSITE AT [www.fultoncountyga.gov](http://www.fultoncountyga.gov).

THE COUNTY WILL NOT RESPOND TO REQUESTS RECEIVED AFTER *January 27, 2014 AT 2:00 P.M.*

E-QUOTE RESPONSES MUST BE SUBMITTED ONLINE AT [www.fultonvendoreselfservice.co.fulton.ga.us](http://www.fultonvendoreselfservice.co.fulton.ga.us) BY THE DATE AND TIME INDICATED. You must be a registered vendor in order to respond to E-QUOTES.

ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING PURCHASING PROCEDURES OR THE SPECIFICATIONS SHOULD BE ADDRESSED ONLY TO THE PURCHASING CONTACT PERSON LISTED BELOW VIA EMAIL ONLY. NO PHONE CALLS WILL BE ACCEPTED. BIDDERS MAY NOT HAVE CONTACT WITH COUNTY OFFICERS, ELECTED OFFICIALS OR COUNTY EMPLOYEES REGARDING THIS BID PRIOR TO AWARD OF PURCHASE ORDER. VIOLATION OF THIS INSTRUCTION WILL RESULT IN YOUR BID BEING FOUND NON-RESPONSIVE.

**CONTACT NAME:**  
DIANN WASHINGTON

**E-MAIL ADDRESS:**  
diann.washington@fultoncountyga.gov

**FAX NUMBER:**  
404-893-1747

All information requested on this sheet must be completed. Unless specifications indicate "NO SUBSTITUTE", items determined by Fulton County to be "EQUAL OR BETTER" will be given full consideration. All prices QUOTED must be "FOB DELIVERED" unless otherwise requested, and must be submitted in the format requested. The County reserves the right to cancel the solicitation and to reject any or all quotes in whole or in part and is not bound to accept any quote if rejection of that quote is determined to be contrary to the best interest of the County.

**REQUEST FOR QUOTE  
GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

The following provisions are hereby made a part of this Request for Quote ("E-QUOTE"). Any contract or purchase order awarded as the result of this request shall be governed by these General Terms and Conditions. By submission of your responses to this e-quote, vendor agrees to furnish the LABOR(s) and/or service(s) pursuant to these conditions.

1. **GENERAL.** These provisions are standard for all County contracts. The County may delete or modify any of these standard provisions for a particular contract or purchase order by indicating a change in the special instructions or provisions. **Any vendor accepting a purchase order award as the result of this request agrees that the provisions included within this Request for E-Quote shall prevail over any conflicting provision within any standard form contract of the vendor.**
2. **SUBMISSION OF RESPONSES.** Responses must be submitted for e-quotes on-line via the Vendor Self Service system at <https://fultonvendorelfselfservice.co.fulton.ga.us/webapp/VSSPROD/Advantage>. Response to e-quotes must be received no later than 2:00 p.m. on the date indicated.
3. **AMENDMENTS TO THE REQUEST FOR E-QUOTE.** Any amendment to pricing is valid only if in writing and issued by the County.
4. **ADDENDUM.** Revision to the Request for E-Quote issued by the County prior to the receipt of bids.
5. **NON-COLLUSION.** Bidder certifies that this bid is made without prior understanding, agreement or connection with any other corporation, firm or person submitting a bid for the same work, labor or service to be done or the supplies, materials or equipment to be furnished and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud. Bidder further understands collusive bidding is a violation of state and federal law and can result in fines, prison sentences and civil damage awards. Bidder agrees to abide by all conditions of this bid and certifies that person signing is authorized to sign this bid or proposal for the bidder.
6. **CONFLICT OF INTEREST.** Vendor states that no County officer or employee, nor any business entity in which they have an interest: a) Has an interest in the contract awarded; b) Has been employed or retained to solicit or aid in the procuring of the resulting contract; c) Will be employed in the performance of such contract without immediate disclosure of such fact to the County.
7. **BASIS OF AWARD.** The County shall award to the overall lowest responsible and responsive vendor complying with the provisions of the Request for E-Quote. The following criteria may be considered by the County in selecting the most advantageous quote: a) Ability to perform the service required within the specified time; b) Conformance to specification; c) The quality of performance in previous contracts; d) Financial ability to perform the contract; e) vendor references. The County reserves the right to cancel the solicitation and to reject any or all quotes in whole or in part and is not bound to accept any quote if rejection of that quote is determined to be contrary to the best interest of the County.
8. **INDEMNIFICATION.** 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 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, of the performance, or nonperformance, of it's obligations under this agreements.
9. **TAXES.** Fulton County is exempt from the State of Georgia sales tax and exemption certificate will be furnished upon request.
10. **RIGHTS AND REMEDIES OF COUNTY FOR DEFAULT.** If any item furnished by the Vendor fails to conform to specifications, or to the sample submitted by the Vendor, the County may reject it. Upon rejection, the Vendor must promptly reclaim and remove such item without expense to the County, and shall immediately replace all such rejected items with others conforming to such specification and samples. If the Vendor fails to do so, the County has the right to purchase in the open market a corresponding quantity of any such items and to deduct from any monies due the Vendor the difference between the prices named in the purchase order and the actual cost to the County. If the Vendor fails to make prompt delivery of any item, the County has the right to purchase such item in the open market and to deduct from any monies due the Vendor the difference between the prices named in the purchase order and the actual replacement cost to the County. The rights and remedies of the County identified above are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under the purchase order.

11. **INVOICES AND PAYMENT TERMS.** Invoices are to be mailed to the County department specified on the resulting purchase order or master agreement. All invoices must include the purchase order number or master agreement number. Failure to comply may result in delayed payments. The County payment terms are Net 30 days unless a cash discount is allowed for payment within not less than twenty (20) days. The payment term shall begin on the date the merchandise is inspected, delivered and accepted by the County and the correct invoice is received in the office specified on the purchase order.
12. **LEGAL REQUIREMENTS.** Federal, State, County and local ordinances, rules and regulations, and policies shall govern development, submittal and evaluation of quote and disputes about quotes. Lack of knowledge by any Vendor about applicable law is not a defense.
13. **ASSIGNMENT.** Any purchase order awarded shall not be assignable by the Vendor without the express written approval of the County, and shall not become an asset in any bankruptcy, receivership or guardianship proceedings.
14. **REJECTION OF BID.** Bids may be considered irregular and may be rejected if they show omissions, alternations of form, additions not called for, conditions, limitations, unauthorized alternate bids or other irregularities of any kind. The County reserves the right to waive minor technicalities or irregularities of bid.
15. **TERMINATION.** In the event any of the provisions of the purchase order are violated, the County may serve written notice of its intention to terminate the purchase order. Such notice will state the reason(s) for such intention, and unless within ten (10) days after serving notice upon the contractor, such violation has ceased and satisfactory arrangements for correction made, the purchase order shall, upon expiration of ten (10) days, be terminated. Further, the County reserves the right to terminate for its convenience any purchase order in whole or in part upon giving thirty (30) days prior written notice to the other party.
16. **DEBARMENT.** If a Bidder is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or otherwise excluded from doing business with any government agency which prohibits your firm from participating in any procurement, the Bidder must provide the County with that information as part of its response to this solicitation. Failure to fully and truthfully provide the information required, may result in the disqualification of your bid from consideration or termination of the purchase order, once awarded.
17. **RIGHT TO PROTEST.** Any actual or prospective Bidder who is aggrieved in connection with a solicitation or award of a contract/purchase order must submit its protest in writing to the Director of Purchasing & Contract Compliance, 130 Peachtree St. S.W., Suite 1168, Atlanta, GA 30303. A protest must be submitted to the Director of Purchasing & Contract Compliance in writing within 14 days after such aggrieved entity knows or should have known of the solicitation, the award of contract/purchase order to another or other acts giving rise to a protest. An oral protest or a protest to an official, employee, user department, or other person apart from the Director of Purchasing does not comply with Fulton County Code Section 2-324 and does not toll the protest time period.
18. **BINDING AUTHORITY.** The individual submitting this E-QUOTE must have binding authority to submit contracts on behalf of the responding company. By submitting a response, vendor agrees that their quote is an offer to sell. All bidders shall comply with all Fulton County purchasing laws, policies, and procedures, as well as relevant state and federal laws, including compliance with EEOC hiring guidelines and requirements under the Americans with Disabilities Act.

## REQUEST FOR E-QUOTE SPECIFICATIONS

**E-Verify Affidavit Required**

Quote #14DW91570C

Closing Date: January 27, 2014

**Medical Hazardous Waste Disposal Services  
Medical Examiner's Department****1. DESCRIPTION**

The Fulton County Department of Purchasing & Contract Compliance is soliciting e-quotes from qualified vendors to hazardous medical waste disposal services for the Medical Examiner's Department.

**2. CONTACT PERSON**

Please contact Diann Wathington, Procurement Officer by e-mail [diann.wathington@fultoncountyga.gov](mailto:diann.wathington@fultoncountyga.gov) or Fax (404) 893-1747 only, with any procedural or technical questions. All questions should be submitted in writing to the Purchasing contact person via email only. No phone calls will be accepted. Any responses made by the County will be provided in writing to all Bidders by addendum. No verbal responses shall be authoritative.

**3. TERM OF AGREEMENT**

This service is for a twelve (12) month contract.

**4. LABOR/SERVICE SPECIFICATIONS**

The successful vendor shall provide reusable containers or 4.3 CF medium disposable boxes with plastic bag inserts for collection of infectious and/or other contaminated wastes that include, but are not limited to, garments, gloves, gauzes, tubes, etc. that are soiled with blood and other human body fluids.

The successful vendor shall provide large, approximately 18-gal plastic reusable containers for the collection of sharps when needed and as called for.

The successful vendor is advised that the Medical Examiner wastes materials pertaining to this service:

- A. **Falls** under the ABSA (American Biological Safety Association) guidelines and definitions of **Risk Groups 1, 2, and 3**. The successful vendor should be able to pick up, remove, and properly dispose of all levels of wastes.
- B. **Does not** contain any organs.

## 5. PRICING SHEETS

LINE	QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION	UNIT PRICE \$
1	360	4.3 CF box w/plastic inserts, disposable or reusable	\$ _____
2	10	18-gal Plastic container for sharps	\$ _____

## 6. SPECIAL CONDITIONS/INSTRUCTIONS

The successful vendor shall pick up full containers and deliver empty reusable or disposable containers:

- a. In the delivery area at the rear of the building  
435 Central Avenue, SW, Atlanta, GA
- b. One (1) day every week. The average weekly pickup in 2013 was approximately 9 containers.

## 7. INSURANCE & RISK MANAGEMENT PROVISIONS

### Bio-Hazardous Waste Pickup and Disposal Services

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).
- A combination of specific policies written with an umbrella policy covering liabilities in excess of the required limits is acceptable to achieve the applicable insurance coverage levels.

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/EMPLOYER'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.
Employer's Liability Insurance	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 Operations	Aggregate Limit -		\$2,000,000
Personal and Advertising Injury	Limits	-	\$1,000,000
Damage to Rented Premises	Limits	-	\$100,000

**3. BUSINESS AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY INSURANCE**

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

\*\*Include Broadened Pollution – Endorsement # CG9948 and MCS 90\*\*

**4. UMBRELLA LIABILITY**

(In excess of Auto GL and Employers Liability) Each Occurrence - \$1,000,000

5. **CONTRACTOR'S POLLUTION LIABILITY** Each Occurrence \$1,000,000  
 (To include three (3) years of extended Completed Operations coverage or a three (3) year extended reporting period. To include Non-owned Waste Disposal Site Endorsement

\*\*If Broadened Pollution on Auto is not included, to be included by evidence of Transit Coverage under the Pollution Policy\*\*

**Certificates:**

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.

The Contractor agrees to name the County as an additional insured using ISO Additional Insured Endorsement form CG 2010 11/85 or its equivalent. This insurance for the additional insured shall be as broad as the coverage provided for the named insured Contractor. It shall apply as Primary Insurance before any other insurance or self-insurance, including any deductible, non-contributory, and Waiver of Subrogation provided to the Additional Insured.

Additional Insured under the General Liability, Auto Liability, Umbrella Policies (with exception of Workers Compensation), with no Cross Suits exclusion.

If Fulton County Government shall so request, the Respondent, 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

**Important:**

It is understood that **Insurance in no way limits the Liability of the Contractor/Vendor.**

**USE OF PREMISES**

Contractor/Vendor shall confine its apparatus; the storage of materials and the operations of its workers to limits/requirements indicated by law, ordinance, permits and any restrictions of Fulton County Government and shall not unreasonably encumber the premises with its materials.

**PROTECTION OF PROPERTY**

Contractor/Vendor will adequately protect its own work from damage, will protect Fulton County Government's property from damage or loss and will take all necessary precautions during the progress of the work to protect all

persons and the property of others from damage or loss.

Contractor/Vendor shall take all necessary precautions for the safety of employees of the work and shall comply with all applicable provisions of the Federal, State and local safety laws and building codes to prevent accidents or injury to persons on, about, or adjacent to the premises where work is being performed.

Contractor/Vendor shall erect and properly maintain at all times as required by the conditions and progress of the work, all necessary safeguards for the protection of its employees, Fulton County Government employees and the public and shall post all applicable signage and other warning devices to protect against potential hazards for the work being performed.

**INDEMNIFICATION AND HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT**

To the fullest extent permitted by Law, Contractor/Vendor hereby agrees to release, indemnify, defend and hold harmless the County, its 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, its directors, officers, employees, subcontractors, successors, assigns or agents, or otherwise in connection with its acceptance, or the performance, or nonperformance, of its obligations under this agreement. Such obligations shall not be construed to negate, abridge or otherwise reduce any other rights or obligations of indemnity which would otherwise exist as to any party or person as set forth in this paragraph.

Contractor/Vendor further agrees to protect, defend, indemnify and hold harmless Fulton County, its Commissioners, officers, employees, subcontractors, successors, assigns and agents from and against any and all claims or liability for compensation under the Worker’s Compensation Act, Disability Benefits Act, or any other employee benefits act arising out of injuries sustained by any employees of Contractor/Vendor. These indemnities shall not be limited by reason of the listing of any insurance coverage.

THE RESPONDENT 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: \_\_\_\_\_

**GEORGIA SECURITY AND IMMIGRATION CONTRACTOR AFFIDAVIT**  
**For Services or Labor to be performed**  
**E-Verify Affidavit**

**Instructions:**

Contractors must attest to compliance with the requirements of O.C.G.A 13-10-91 and the Georgia Department of Labor Rule 300-10-01-.02 by executing the Contractor Affidavit.

E-Verify apply and are defined as the performance of labor or services where the labor or services is in excess of \$2,499.99.

The **E-Verify Affidavit** must be submitted with the quote submittal.

**STATE OF GEORGIA  
COUNTY OF FULTON**

**GEORGIA SECURITY AND IMMIGRATION CONTRACTOR AFFIDAVIT AND AGREEMENT**

By executing this affidavit, the undersigned contractor verifies its compliance with O.C.G.A. 13-10-91, stating affirmatively that the individual, firm or corporation which is engaged in the physical performance of services<sup>1</sup> under a contract with **[insert name of prime contractor]** on behalf of **Fulton County Government** has registered with and is participating in a federal work authorization program<sup>2</sup> in accordance with the applicability provisions and deadlines established in O.C.G.A. 13-10-91.

The undersigned further agrees that, should it employ or contract with any subcontractor(s) in connection with the physical performance of services to this contract with **Fulton County Government**, contractor will secure from such subcontractor(s) similar verification of compliance with O.C.G.A. 13-10-91 on the Subcontractor Affidavit provided in Rule 300-10-01-.08 or a substantially similar form. Contractor further agrees to maintain records of such compliance and provide a copy of each such verification to the **Fulton County Government** at the time the subcontractor(s) is retained to perform such service.

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**EEV/Basic Pilot Program\* User Identification Number**

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BY: Authorized Officer of Agent  
(Insert Contractor Name)

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Title of Authorized Officer or Agent of Contractor

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Printed Name of Authorized Officer or Agent

Sworn to and subscribed before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_.

Notary Public: \_\_\_\_\_

County: \_\_\_\_\_

Commission Expires: \_\_\_\_\_

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1O.C.G.A. § 13-10-90(4), as amended by Senate Bill 160, provides that “physical performance of services” means any performance of labor or services for a public employer (e.g., Fulton County) using a bidding process (e.g., ITB, RFQ, RFP, etc.) or contract wherein the labor or services exceed \$2,499.99, except for those individuals licensed pursuant to title 26 or Title 43 or by the State Bar of Georgia and is in good standing when such contract is for service to be rendered by such individual.

2\*[Any of the electronic verification of work authorization programs operated by the United States Department of Homeland Security or any equivalent federal work authorization program operated by the United States Department of Homeland Security to verify information of newly hired employees, pursuant to the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986 (IRCA), P.L. 99-603].