Invitation for Bid (IFB) IFB #17850

Purchase and Delivery of Scientific, Specialty, Liquid and Industrial Gases Questions and Answers: November 27, 2018

	Category	Reference	Bidder's Question	Answer
1.	Site Visit	N/A	Who maintains bulk Nitrogen Tank?	Wadsworth.
2.	Site Visit	N/A	Do we get an analysis/auto delivery of the bulk Nitrogen?	No.
3.	Site Visit	N/A	Does DAI call in bulk tank readings?	No.
4.	Site Visit	N/A	Can we put a telemetry unit on the tank for 24-hour readings?	No.
5.	Site Visit	N/A	Is the bulk nitrogen delivered within 24 hours?	Yes.
6.	Site Visit	Section 4.2.2	Is there 24-hour access to the bulk tank?	No, the vendor will be expected to only access bulk tank during Wadsworth business hours.
7.	Site Visit	N/A	Do we change the manifold for the CO2 tanks?	No.
8.	Site Visit	N/A	Do the drivers get paid to fill the liquid nitrogen tanks?	The only compensation is what the vendor gets for filling the bulk tank.

9.	Site Visit	N/A	How often do the liquid nitrogen tanks at DAI get filled?	The liquid nitrogen tanks at DAI get filled approximately 4 days per week.
10.	Site Visit	N/A	Does the driver deliver the liquid nitrogen tanks that they fill?	Yes.
11.	Site Visit	N/A	How does the driver know when the nitrogen tanks need to be filled?	An order is placed or there is a standing order with specific days.
12.	Site Visit	N/A	Who does the maintenance on the dewars?	If it is needed, Wadsworth would handle it.
13.	Site Visit	N/A	Are the R265 tanks fill in site or delivered to the labs from the supplier?	The contracted vendor would deliver.
14.	Site Visit	N/A	Who owns the bulk tank?	Wadsworth.
15.	Site Visit	N/A	Do we need to hook up tanks?	No.
16.	Site Visit	Section 4.4 and 5.4	How does the billing work?	Please refer to IFB for billing details (Sections 4.4 and 5.4).
17.	Site Visit	N/A	Is each lab/room a separate account?	Yes.
18.	Site Visit	Section 4.2.2	Does driver deliver to each room?	Yes.
19.	Site Visit	N/A	Does everyone order themselves?	No, all orders are submitted to the vendor by the Wadsworth Purchase Unit.

20.	Site Visit	ATTACHMENT B, Section(s) 2.1 and 4.2.2	What is the delivery volume and frequency of cylinder deliveries?	Please refer to IFB Attachment B and Section(s) 2.1 and 4.2.2.
21.	Site Visit	Section 4.2.2	If you change vendors are the tanks gradually taken or all at once?	This information is provided in the IFB (Section 4.2.2).
22.	Site Visit	Section 4.2.2	What time do orders go in?	This information is provided in the IFB (Section 4.2.2).
23.	Site Visit	N/A	Do you use fax, email or web for processing orders?	Processing of orders is done via email.
24.	Site Visit	N/A	Is there filling on site?	Only liquid nitrogen and only at the David Axelrod site.
25.	Site Visit	N/A	Is liquid helium a 24-hour turnaround?	No, please see Amendment #1, 2.
26.	Site Visit	N/A	Is facial hair an issue?	No.
27.	Site Visit	N/A	Do small portable dewars get filled by the contactor?	No, they do not.
28.	Site Visit	N/A	Are empty and full cylinders clearly marked?	Users are instructed to mark empty cylinders as empty.
29.	Site Visit	Section 4.2.2	What if nobody is there to sign?	This information is provided in the IFB (Section 4.2.2.).
30.	Site Visit	N/A	What gasses are required to have certified standard paperwork?	None of the contract gases require certified standard paperwork.
31.	Site Visit	N/A	Are tanks ordered as needed?	Yes, there are also standing orders for deliveries.

32.	Site Visit	Section 5.8 Contract Insurance Requirements; New York State Department of Health Contract, Section IV Contract Insurance Requirements; and New York State Department of Health Contract Section IX – General Specifications, Paragraph J – Indemnification.	If the driver breaks something in a lab who is responsible?	See IFB Section 5.8 Contract Insurance Requirements; New York State Department of Health Contract, Section IV Contract Insurance Requirements; and New York State Department of Health Contract Section IX – General Specifications, Paragraph J – Indemnification.
33.	Site Visit	Section 2.1	How many tanks are on site?	See Amendment #1, 1.
34.	Site Visit	N/A	Are there cylinder banks?	Individual labs may have cylinder banks, but there are no facility wide cylinder banks.
35.	General	N/A	Would it be possible to get a complete list of the companies that attended a site visit?	Air Gas, Haun Specialty Gas, Noble Gas Solutions, Praxair, Tech Air.