

CITY OF SAN ANTONIO
INTERDEPARTMENTAL MEMORANDUM
PURCHASING & GENERAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT

CONSENT AGENDA

ITEM NO. 6

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Janie B. Cantu, Director of Purchasing & General Services

THROUGH: Terry M. Brechtel, City Manager

COPIES: Erik J. Walsh, Assistant to the City Manager;
Dr. Fernando Guerra, Director of Health Department;
File

SUBJECT: Biosafety Level 3 Laboratory Equipment

DATE: August 19, 2004

SUMMARY & RECOMMENDATION:

This ordinance authorizes the Purchasing & General Services Department to accept the low responsive bid submitted by Getinge USA Inc., New Brunswick Scientific Co., Inc. and Thermo Forma to provide the City of San Antonio Health Department with biosafety level 3 laboratory equipment. Staff recommends approval of this ordinance.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The attached tabulation of six bids to provide the City of San Antonio Health Department with biosafety level 3 laboratory equipment is hereby submitted for council consideration and action. The low responsive bids were submitted by Getinge USA Inc., item 1; New Brunswick Scientific Co., Inc., items 4 and 5; and Thermo Forma, items 2 and 3 for a grand total of \$137,895.70.

The San Antonio Metropolitan Health District is currently in the process of completing the renovation and construction of the biosafety level 3 laboratory. The equipment recommended for purchase will be utilized by the Health Department Bioterrorism Preparedness Laboratory to meet the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention guidelines in containing airborne pathogens and minimize employee/facility exposure.

The City of San Antonio currently maintains a Level 2 laboratory that has been mandated by the Texas Department of Health to attain a Level 3 status. The difference and criteria between a biosafety level 2 lab and a biosafety level 3 lab is containment such as airflow through the facility and security such as controlled access and video monitoring and work practices to include all work being performed inside the biosafety cabinets with open specimens. By attaining a Level 3 status, the Health Department will become the only public health biosafety level 3 regional laboratory for South Texas. The Health Department Laboratory will be able to increase the volume of testing, increase the number of organisms tested and decrease the turnaround time. This equipment is estimated to last approximately ten years.

POLICY ANALYSIS:

This contract will provide the Health Department with one autoclave/steam sterilizer, six biosafety cabinets, one automatic agar sterilizer and one automated plate pouring apparatus. This equipment will be utilized by the new Bioterrorism Preparedness Laboratory for infection control measures located at Brooks City Base. Included in the bid price is installation, in service training, delivery and a minimum of one year parts and service warranty.

FISCAL IMPACT

The total cost of this contract is \$137,895.70. Funding will be from the Grants in Aid Trust Fund – Public Health State Support Project. All expenditures will be in accordance with the FY2003-2004 Budget approved by City Council.

COORDINATION


This item has been coordinated with the City of San Antonio Health Department.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION:

This contract was developed utilizing the formal competitive bid process; therefore, an Ethics Disclosure Form is not required.

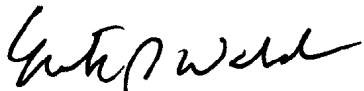
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

The City of San Antonio Purchasing Department advertises bids in the Daily Commercial Recorder, La Prensa, The San Antonio Observer, and the San Antonio Express-News. This office also advertises bids on Public Access Channel 21, the Purchasing Website and utilizes the services of Demandstar.com to notify registered vendors of City bids.



Janie B. Cantu, C.P.M., Director
Purchasing & General Services

Approved:



Erik J. Walsh, Assistant to the City Manager
City Manager's Office

City of San Antonio Bid Tabulation

Opened: July 16, 2004		Getinge USA Inc	New Brunswick Scientific Co, Inc.	Thermo Forma	Atlas Medical Supply	Fox Scientific	Steris Corporation
For: Biosafety Level -3 Laboratory Equipment		1777 E. Henrietta Rd	44 Talmadge Rd	P.O. Box 649	5645 Hillcroft #301	8221 E. FM 917	9260 Progress Parkway
04-098 JH		Rochester, Ny 14623	Edison, N.J. 08818	Marietta, Oh. 45750	Houston, Tx 77036	Alvarado, Tx. 76009	Mentor, Oh. 44060
ITEM	Description						
1	1 Each Autoclave/Steam Sterilizer Price Total Manufacturer Name	\$68,662.40 Getinge	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	\$79,991.00 Steris
2	2 Each Biosafety Cabinets, Benchtop, Class II, Type A2, four ft Price Each Price Total Manufacturer Name	No Bid	No Bid	\$5,955.04 \$11,910.08 Thermo Forma	\$7,857.18 \$15,714.36	\$7,500.00 \$15,000.00 Labconco	No Bid
3	4 Each Biosafety Cabinets, Benchtop, Class II, Type A2, six ft. Price Each Price Total Manufacturer Name	No Bid	No Bid	\$6,756.68 \$27,026.72 Thermo Forma	\$10,150.03 \$40,600.12	\$9,150.00 \$36,600.00 Labconco	No Bid
4	1 Each Automatic Agar Sterilizer, 1 to 10 liter size. Price Total Manufacturer Name	No Bid	\$13,843.50 MediaClave	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid
5	1 Each Automated Plate Pouring Apparatus Price Total Manufacturer Name	No Bid	\$16,453.00 NBSC	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid
	Terms	Net 30	Net 30	Net 30	Net 30	.25%15	Net 30
	Total Award	\$68,662.40	\$30,296.50	\$38,936.80			