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The Houston Housing Authority (HHA), has issued this Amendment No. 1 to IFB 22-31 Replacement of Heaters at Cuney Homes for the purposes of:

1. Incorporating the attached Draft Contract as Exhibit G into the solicitation for informational purposes which is not required to be submitted with the sealed bid:
2. Answering the following Questions submitted to HHA in writing by the specified due date:

Question 1: Will residents and/or pets be present when work is being done?

Answer 1: Yes.

Question 2: Should all existing gas shut-off valves be replaced or only where necessary?

Answer 2: Yes, for the furnace (and the main shut-off if it is not working properly).

Question 3: The scope says to investigate each flue to verify its integrity – are these expected to be replaced where it does not meet code currently?

Answer 3: Yes, this is a safety issue and the flues must be properly functioning.

Question 4: Is the pre-bid sign-in sheet or addendum/addenda available?

Answer 4: All available documentation is on the website.

Question 5: How many units are occupied?

Answer 5: There are 563 units at Cuney Homes and 544 are currently occupied. However, this information changes on daily basis.

Question 6: Which blower model is to be used, 2901 or 2907? There is quite a difference in pricing.

Answer 6: 2901

Question 7: Will owner provide an Asbestos Survey and/or Asbestos Certification Letter?

Answer 7: Yes, owner will provide Asbestos Surveys for each building.

Question 8: Is the general contractor responsible for providing an Asbestos Survey for each building?

Answer 8: See Answer #7 above.

Question 9: What do you mean by “remediation/abatement”?

Answer 9: Any hazardous material that is found will need to be remediated / abated, which will be issued as a Change Order.

Question 10: Will Owner be responsible for removing hazardous materials if found?

Answer 10: See Answer #9 above.

Question 11: How is the GC to price removal of any Hazardous Materials if this is an unforeseen condition?

Answer 11: Removal of hazardous material is to be excluded.

Question 12: How many units can we access per day?

Answer 12: The Contractor may access up to twenty (20) apartment units per day. If access to more units is needed, Contractor to discuss w/ HHA.

Question 13: How are we to inspect the flue integrity for each unit for bidding purposes?

Answer 13: For bidding purposes, assume 20% of all units will require flue replacement. The flue should be visually inspected by the licensed mechanical contractor. As a minimum the final installation shall meet the COH code.

Question 14: Is there an existing fan inside the flue to push the air to the roof?

Answer 14: No. These furnaces are atmospheric furnaces.

Question 15: Are Buildings 61 and 62 in the scope of work?

Answer 15: No, Buildings 61 and 62 are leased to a private school (Generation One). These buildings are not part of this project.

Question 16: How many units for Building 61?

Answer 16: See Answer #15 above.

Question 17: How many units for Building 62?

Answer 17: See Answer #15 above.

Question 18: What is the anticipated start date?

Answer 18: Anticipated start date is January, 2023.

Question 19: Please confirm the number of buildings? Jones Engineering Assessment states 82 buildings and there are 120 buildings on the drawing.

Answer 19: There are 82 buildings at Cuney Homes. Please count the buildings on the site plan.

Question 20: Will gas valves need to be replaced?

Answer 20: Yes, if gas valve serving the furnace and the main shut-off are not operating properly.

Question 21: Will vents need to be replaced?

Answer 21: The vent is assumed to mean the flue. If so, see Answer #13 above.

Question 22: Will a mechanical permit and inspection be required?

Answer 22: Yes

Question 23: Will we have a maintenance man with us at all times for access or any other issues?

Answer 23: Maintenance will not be walking / working with Contractor at all times.

Question 24: What is the earliest time we can start and what is the earliest time we need to stop work?

Answer 24: Standard working hours are Mon-Fri, 8am-5pm.

Question 25: How will you ensure access to each unit without down time?

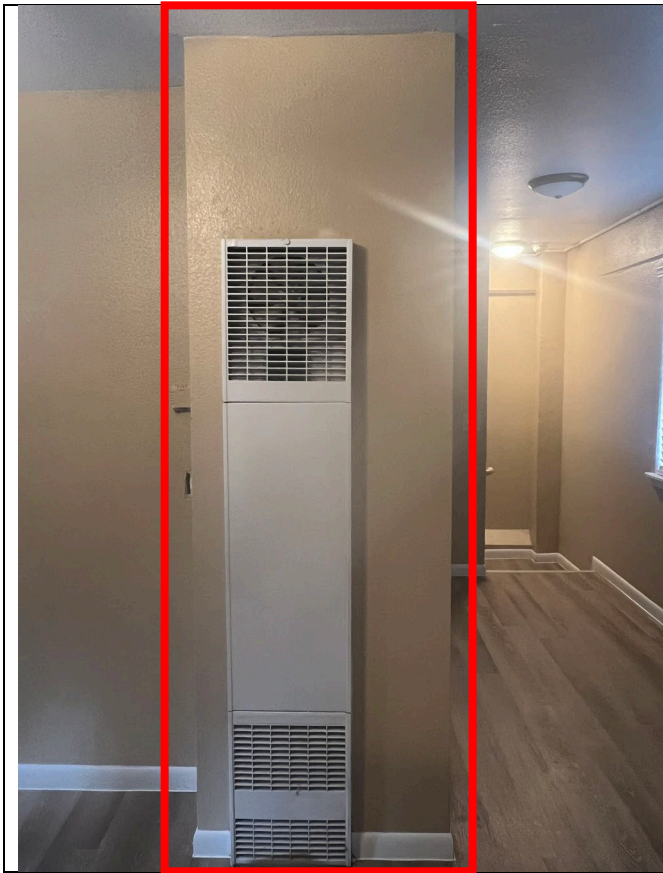
Answer 25: Once we receive a schedule from the Contractor, we will notify all tenants. For example, if the schedule calls for 100 units per week, we will notify 200 units, so there are no delays for Contractor.

Question 26: How will you ensure all personal belongings and furniture will be cleared providing a direct path to all heaters?

Answer 26: We notify residents to move personal belongings. However, some may be elderly and / or disabled, so Contractor may need to assist.

Question 27: Will the entire wall need to be re-painted floor to ceiling?

Answer 27: Yes.



Contractor is responsible for patching and painting this section of wall (floor to ceiling).

Question 28: What are the paint specifications?

Answer 28: Paint spec will be provided after award.

All other terms and conditions shall remain the same.

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