



Notice of Intent (NOI)

Number: DOK03-2020 _____

1. Notice:
 - a. Notice is hereby given by the District of Kitimat (DOK) of its intent to contract with the following Provider for the replacement of equipment:
KUT KWICK CORPORATION
Post Office Box 984
Brunswick, GA 31521-0984
Telephone 800-248-5945
Web site: www.kutkwick.com
 - b. In the event that no other potential providers come forward with a Statement of Capabilities meeting the requirements outlined in this NOI before the Closing Date/Time, the contract may be direct awarded to the pre-selected provider.
2. Contract Term and Value
 - a. Estimated contract value is \$71,231.000 USD dollars, exclusive of taxes and transport.
 - b. This is a one-time purchase with a firm delivery of April 15, 2020.
3. Contract Award Rationale:
 - a. The District of Kitimat has chosen not to proceed with a competitive process because Kut-Kwik Corporation is the sole, manufacturer of the SuperSlopeMaster.
 - b. The DOK has not called for provider proposals for this contract. After careful research and consideration, it is believed that Slopemaster is the provider of this product, offers a unique solution and value proposition in the marketplace and is the only provider capable of meeting the specific requirements of this engagement because of the Kut-Kwik design.
4. Information Requirements
 - a. The solution must be equivalent to the product offered by Kut Kwik for the Model SSM T4 series as stated in the Manufacturers specifications. A data sheet or description of the identifying make, model and design is required to understand its configuration and capability. The configuration must be user friendly and acceptable. In addition, delivery lead-time needs to be indicated in the response.
 - b. The unit specified herein shall consist of the following:
 - i. Standard 2019 Commercial Slope Mower with Battery ROPS and seat belt
 - ii. Slope cutting to 40 degrees, riding, 72" cut, rear discharge, outfront rotary, 36 HP water-cooled diesel, speed to 8 mph, skid steered through twin, closed loop hydraulic drive systems, independently powering 26" x 12"-12" dual drive wheels on each side at the rear. 19" x 6" puncture proof casters support the cutter deck from the front. For safety, the operator is seated on a tilting seat located at the rear extremity of the machine. The cutter deck has 1 ½" to 6 ½" of height adjustment, the cutter assembly is decked with 1/4" thick steel; the deck supports the chassis from the front while pivoting to the sides to follow the contour of the turf. Standard with Roll Bar and retractable seat belt.
 - iii. Including high lift blades 3/8" thick, medium lift blades 3/8" thick and rotary beacon and crating for transportation purposes.
5. Statement of Capabilities
 - a. Providers wishing to challenge this Notice of Intent #DOK03-2020 should submit a Statement of Capabilities of containing the following information:
 - i. Reason(s) for objecting to DOK's intent to direct award the contract;

- ii. Detailed information that demonstrates the providers capabilities, capacity, experience and expertise to meet the requirements;
 - iii. Provider's name, address, and phone number; and
 - iv. Provider representative's name and contact information.
 - b. The Statement of Capabilities should be delivered to the Delivery location specified below by the Closing Date/Time. Providers are encouraged to limit their submissions to ten (10) pages.
 - c. A potential provider's ability to offer equivalent or better quality for the required products or services, a proven capability, expertise, experience and capacity to provide the required products or services within the required time frames, and a proven record of supplying comparable products or services at a lower cost in the same time frames will be key criteria in considering provider objections under this NOI.
- 6. Next Steps
 - a. If other potential providers come forward before the Closing Date/ Time with a Statement of Capabilities clearly indicating the ability to meet or exceed the requirements presented in this NOI, the DOK may, in its sole discretion, elect to proceed with a competitive process to source this opportunity. The DOK also reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to convene a meeting with the potential provider(s) to ensure understanding of the requirements of the opportunity prior to deciding how to proceed.
 - b. If no other potential suppliers submit a Statement of Capabilities meeting or exceeding the requirements outlined in this NOI on or before the Closing Date/Time, the contract may be direct awarded to the pre-selected supplier.
- 7. Terms of NOI Process
 - a. Potential providers are solely responsible for the risk and cost of preparing and submitting objections and/or Statements of Capabilities in response to this NOI.
 - b. This NOI is not intended to be a call for tenders, and submissions are not intended to create any contractual or other legal obligation owed to any potential provider by the DOK. The DOK reserves the right to terminate this process at any time, at its discretion.
 - c. All responses to this NOI become the property of the District of Kitimat and will be held in confidence, subject to the provisions of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*. Respondents to this NOI consent to the District of Kitimat incorporating any submitted ideas, concepts, approaches, or strategies into any planning, design, procurement, or contractual activities related to any aspect of the project without any obligation, liability, or consideration on the part of the District of Kitimat. The District of Kitimat will not be responsible for any costs incurred by any vendor in responding to this NOI.

Responses should be delivered by hand, regular mail, or email to the following location before 2:00 p.m. Pacific Time on March 4th, 2020, and should quote NOI Number DOK03-2020:

District of Kitimat
Purchasing Department
270 City Centre
Kitimat, BC V8C 2H7
Email: purchasing@kitimat.ca

OR

Contact Person:
Robyn Iannarelli
Purchasing Manager
purchasing@kitimat.ca