NOTICE TO BIDDERS
Amendment #2 Issued on October 17, 2014
Re: Invitation to Bid # 14-32-PB, Institutional Linens

This Amendment should consist of a total of 2 pages. If you have not received this Amendment in its entirety, please contact the County of Berks Purchasing Department at (610) 478-6168.

The County hereby amends the above noted Invitation to Bid (ITB) as indicated herein. All other details of the ITB remain unchanged. Language that is underlined denotes that which has been added. Language that has been stricken denotes that which is hereby removed.

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Where conflict exists between these responses and information in the original ITB package, the responses shall prevail.

Section One, Instructions to Bidders, Clause 2.2
Q:1 Where do bidders send samples of items being bid?

A:1 Refer to Section One, Clause 2.2, Bidders shall include with their Bid a minimum of three (3) samples of each item being offered. Samples may be submitted in a separate package from the Bid, but must be received by the County by the Bid Deadline for the Bid to be considered complete. Any separate package containing samples must note the applicable ITB number on the outside of the package along with the word “Samples”, and must include (inside or outside) the Bidder’s name.

Section Two, Technical Specifications, Clause 3.4 and 3.5
Q:2 What is the thread count of the current linens the County is using?

A:2 Refer to Section Two, Technical Specifications, Clauses 3.4 and 3.5. The bed linen description displays the thread count.

3.4 Sheets
3.4.1 Size: 66” x 104” Flat Sheet
Fabric: 65% polyester x 35% cotton, T130, machine washable
Construction: Single needle locking stitch, 3/8” double turned hems
Color: White
3.4.2  Size: 66” x 104” Flat Sheet
Fabric: 45% polyester x 55% cotton, Percale, T180, machine washable
Construction: Single pick construction, 3/4” hems, finished, cut and sewn
Color: White

3.4.3  Size: 36” x 80” Fitted Twin Size Sheet
Fabric: 40% polyester x 60% cotton, knitted, T180, machine washable
Color: White

3.5  Pillow Cases
3.5.1  Size: 42” W x 34” Long
Fabric: 65% polyester x 35% cotton, T130, machine washable
Color: White

3.5.2  Size: 42” W x 34” Long
Fabric: 45% polyester x 55% cotton, Percale, T180, .23lb, machine washable
Construction: 2” hem,
Color: White

Attachment A, Bid Form, Clause Quoted Pricing, Paragraph 2
Q:3  Would Berks Heim purchase all the linens at once or over a period of time?

A:3  Refer to Attachment A, Bid Form, Clause Quoted Pricing, Paragraph 2. Prices as quoted herein shall remain valid throughout the entire term of the Agreement. The estimated quantity is provided for purposes of comparing Bids. It is no guarantee for the procurement of any certain quantity or quantities of Goods and Services. The County reserves the right to order more or less Goods and Services throughout the entire term of the Agreement and the Bidder agrees to supply all Goods and Services requisitioned by the County through a Purchase Order at these Bid prices throughout the entire term of the Agreement.

Should you have any questions regarding this Amendment, please contact Patricia Barnes, Buyer, via phone at (610) 478-6168 or via email at pbarnes@countyofberks.com.