


MEMORANDUM

TO: RFP Recipients

FROM: Andrew Kays 
Executive Director

DATE: January 13, 2025

SUBJECT: Addendum No. 1 to the Request for Proposals (“RFP”) for Solid Waste Transportation Services for Frederick County, Maryland (the “County”) issued December 5, 2024.

This Addendum No. 1 is to amend the RFP and answer Proposer questions that were submitted by the Question Submittal Date of January 6, 2025. The answers issued by written addenda will be binding on the Authority and the Proposers, including the answers provided below.

Attached is the Sign-in Sheet from the Pre-Proposal Conference and Site Visit on December 19, 2024.

The Northeast Maryland Waste Disposal Authority is extending the RFP Due Date. The Proposal Due Date is 3:00 p.m. (local time) on Tuesday, January 21, 2025.

1. Will the Authority consider a change in the assumed transfer trailer load for calculating the fuel surcharge?

Response: The Authority revises the assumed transfer trailer load of twenty-two (22) tons to twenty (20) tons for calculating the fuel cost adjustment.

2. Are trailers used for this Service, required to have a minimum or maximum height of 13.6 feet (from ground to top of trailer)?

Response: Trailers must have a minimum height of 13 feet 2 inches (from ground to top of trailer), a minimum length of 48 feet and a minimum capacity of 120 cubic yards.

3. Should the pricing be net of tolls, and once the disposal location is identified the toll will be added to the transportation rate?

Response: No additional fees including tolls will be added to the transportation fee. All truck routes from the Frederick County Transfer Station to the Disposal Facility (or Disposal Facilities) must be approved by the Authority.

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4. Will the landfills have enough tippers to handle the incremental new tonnage?

Response: The Disposal Company is required to provide appropriate equipment (e.g., appropriate number of landfill tippers) and resources necessary to manage the anticipated traffic flow at the Disposal Facility and the unloading of Acceptable Waste; minimizing waiting times for the Authority transportation subcontractors.

5. If the landfill takes additional tonnage in the future is there any clause that makes them have a specific tipper to inbound tons ratio? (For example, 1 tipper for every 1,200 tons, and always a minimum of 2 tippers)

Response: No. See response to Question 4 above.

6. If the landfill average wait time, "gate-to-gate" exceeds 45 minutes or 1 hour, will the transporter be able to charge demurrage to the landfill?

Response: No.

7. What is the process, if in the future the landfills wait times become problematic?

Response: All parties are expected to resolve any issues or disputes in good faith. The Authority will address issues with Disposal Company in accordance with its Service Agreement for Disposal Services.

8. Can the landfill disposal contract outline reimbursement of time, if the wait time is not resolved or cured within a reasonable amount of time?

Response: No.

9. Does the landfill own all the tippers?

Response: Ownership varies.

10. If the landfill has a permit issue like maxing our daily inbound tons and the transporter is either turned around at the gate or in route, who will compensate the transporter for lost, labor, fuel, tolls, etc. Can the County charge the Landfill damages and reimburse the transporter in this scenario?

Response: No. The Disposal Company is contractually obligated to accept and dispose of Frederick County Acceptable Waste delivered to the applicable Disposal Facilities (or, if applicable, Alternate Disposal facilities.)

11. Is there any additional fee to use the tipper, and who pays the fee?

Response: No.

12. Please clarify the example within Form B (Cost Proposal Form). In the blank space for transportation fee, are we putting \$19 or \$.38?

Response: Enter \$0.38. The Transportation Fee is a dollar per ton per mile.

13. Can you consider a change in language to the Performance Bond that the bond will renew for 1 year duration for each renewal. We are reading this as if the 1st option is exercised, the next bond needs to be for 5 years. Would you consider footnote: "The Term of this Bond shall be from MM/DD/YYYY to MM/DD/YYYY. Renewal requires a Continuation Certificate approved by the Surety Company."

Response: See attached updated Performance Bond.

14. Will the landfills be provided extended hours after holidays or unusual circumstances?

Response: Schedules will vary depending on the landfill.

15. Will all landfills have a minimum of 12 hours open per day and open on Saturday?

Response: Schedules will vary depending on the landfill.

16. What is the expectation if the truck route is shut down by the local government for empty trailers like a snow event?

Response: The Disposal Company is required to provide the Authority with a Continuity of Operations Plan upon request from the Authority. The plan will be shared with the Authority's transportation contractor. The Disposal Company is also expected to periodically review (with the Authority and County) and update, as needed, its contingency plan for operating procedures that will take effect in the event of interruption of normal waste disposal options including work stoppage by Company's employees, emergency weather conditions that affect Disposal Facility and Company's Alternate Disposal Facilities, building or equipment (e.g. landfill tipper) failure, lack of access to Disposal Facility and/or Alternate Disposal Facility and handling of wastes from catastrophic events. In addition, Frederick County will notify the Authority's transportation contractor(s) in the event loading operations at the Transfer Station are canceled/delayed due to weather or emergency events.