

June 17, 2021

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

An award is anticipated to be made by the Food and Drug Administration for the acquisition of Weekly Rental and Laundering Services for the Center of Biologics Evaluation and Research's (CBER) to ensure compliance with the Occupational Health and Safety Act (OSHA).

The contractor shall furnish all labor, services, qualified professional and technical personnel, equipment, and facilities not otherwise provided by the Government under the terms and conditions of this contract as necessary to meet this requirement.

Cleaning Specifics:

1. The contractor shall comply with OSHA standards for use in a laboratory setting for employees that engage in work with a wide spectrum of chemicals. Hazards may include blood, bodily fluids, pathogens, hazardous chemicals and/or drugs and radioactive materials.
2. The contractor shall pick up, launder, and return all lab coats totally free from soil, stains, and known pathogenic organisms
3. The contractor shall assure that all lab coats are clean, dry, and lint free, with no objectionable spots, stains, or odors
4. Coats cleaned physically, biologically, and chemically.

Pick-up and Delivery:

1. Contractor is to propose how many pickups and deliveries they will make per week and how many garments are required to meet CBER's needs. CBER may have a need for lab coats for up to or more than 150 employees with 6 lab coats each, however this may vary. For proposal purposes, please use 150 employees with the understanding that the awarded amount may come in more or less.
2. Contractor is required to supply lab coats for new employees within 2-3 weeks of request by CBER.
3. Program Manager is responsible for initial sizing for staff, size changes, and inspection during laundry services, repairs of lab coats, and replacements if needed.
4. Contractor is to provide tracking documents upon each pickup and delivery. The tracking sheets must be signed by CBER Lab Coat Program Manager before contractor departs; otherwise the contractor will assume responsibility for any discrepancies or missing garments.
5. All lab coats must be picked up, processed, and returned on a bi-weekly basis (working) after the initial pick-up Monday through Friday. CBER's location is on a secure property and vehicle is subject to search by security. Contractor will need to make delivery/pickups during normal business hours 7:00am-4:30pm, Monday through Friday unless the government or location is closed (Federal Holidays)
6. Unbagged and unsealed lab coats shall not be transported.
7. FDA reserves the right to inspect trucks and/or facilities at any time.

Infection Control:

1. Contractor to provide a yellow biohazard laundry bag for all soiled lab coats.

Security Requirements:

1. Contractor's pick-up and delivery personnel shall be in uniform that identifies the contractor's company name and the individuals' name.

Reports:

To be sent via email to the Contract Specialist (CS) and Contracting Officer Representative (COR). These reports shall include weekly and monthly use by the Center and prices/costs for each item rented. The reports shall be separated for each floor of Building 52/72 and the OHS Clinic in Bldg. 2.

FDA anticipates an award will be made on a sole source basis to:

Dempsey Uniform & Linen Supply
1200 MID VALLEY DR
JESSUP, PA 18434

This award will be made in 7 days after the date of this notice. Any inquiries should be directed to Janae Hughes, email address: janae.hughes@fda.hhs.gov. No phone calls will be accepted.

Sources interested in this requirement must provide a statement of capabilities in sufficient detail to determine if the requirements of this synopsis can be met. Responses must be in writing and must be received within seven (7) calendar days from the date of this notice. A determination by the Government not to compete the proposed contract based on responses from this notice is solely within the discretion of the Government. Information received will be considered solely for the purpose of determining whether to conduct a competitive procurement.