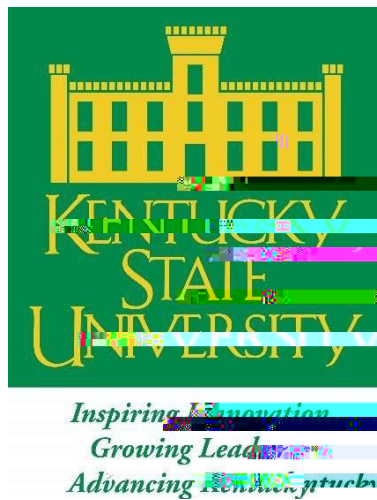


KENTUCKY STATE UNIVERSITY  
REQUEST FOR BID (RFB)  
FOR  
WALK IN COOLERS FOR HAROLD R BENSON RESEARCH FARM

RFB 24-002



Issue Date: December 13, 2023

Vendor Question Form Due: January 12, 2024

Closing Date and Time: January 18, 2024, 2:00 EST

Issued by:  
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these specifications. Any exceptions shall be marked as such within the body of the bid and explained on a separate page. The University is not bound to accept any exceptions.

#### Section 8

##### Alternate Brands/Specifications

Unless otherwise specified, brands and specifications referenced in this solicitation are meant to establish a minimum standard of quality only. Bidders may bid brands/ specifications they consider to be equal by specifying the brand(s)/specifications and inserting the brand name(s), model number(s), etc. on which they are bidding. Bids offering "equal" products/specifications will be considered for award if such products are clearly identified in the bid and are determined by Kentucky State University to meet or exceed fully the minimum essential specifications and salient characteristics referenced in the Solicitation. Bids that contain products/specifications that fail to meet the minimum essential requirements shall be deemed non-responsive. Bidders who propose alternate brands/specifications should enclose descriptive literature with their bids so that the equality can be verified. Failure to enclose sufficient literature may result in a non-responsive bid. If the brands are not changed, the contract will be written accordingly, and the successful bidder shall be required to deliver the brands/specifications stated in the solicitation.

#### Section 9

##### Recycle Requirements

Prospective bidders are required to comply with Recycle Requirements for the purchase of goods, supplies, equipment, materials and printing with a minimum recycled content to the extent practicable per 200 KAR 5:330.

#### Section 10

##### Acknowledgment of Addenda

It is the vendor's responsibility to check the web site for any modifications to this solicitation. Electronic Bid submittal is the vendor's agreement to be bound by the terms of all addenda issued.

#### Section 11

##### Entities to be served

This contract shall be for use by Kentucky State University.

A contract resulting from this solicitation, with the consent of Kentucky State University and the vendor, may be offered to other entities requiring the product(s) or service(s).

#### Section 12

Any Addenda or instructions issued by the Purchasing Department prior to the proposal deadline shall become a part of this RFB. Such addenda shall be acknowledged in the Proposal. No instructions or changes shall be binding unless documented by a properly issued addendum. It is the vendor's responsibility to check the web site for any modifications to this solicitation.

Bidders are cautioned to allow adequate delivery time to ensure timely delivery of bid proposals. Late bid proposals are ineligible for consideration.

D. Format and Submission of RFB Response

Proposals shall be submitted to the contact listed on the cover page of the RFB. Proposals shall be submitted by the RFB ..h6u(opa.5 4 (t)2(m)0.6epj0-TwTes)3B







Section 25

Inquiries

All questions shall be submitted in writing by January 12, 2024, by 4:30 PM ET to the Kentucky State University Purchasing Director listed below. No questions shall be accepted after the





The Contractor, as defined in KRS 45A.030, agrees that Kentucky State University shall have access to any books, documents, papers, records, or other evidence, which are directly pertinent to this agreement for the purpose of financial audit or program review. The Contractor also recognizes that any books, documents, papers, records, or other evidence, received during a financial audit or program review shall be subject to the Kentucky Open Records Act, KRS 61.870 to 61.884.

Records and other prequalification information confidentially disclosed as part of the bid process shall not be deemed as directly pertinent to the agreement and shall be exempt from disclosure as provided in KRS 61.878(1)(c).

Section 32



