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Tokyo, Japan

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First Set of Questions and Answers

Request for Quotations (RFQ) No. 19JA8023Q0004
Acquisition of Wood Baseboards for the U.S. Embassy Tokyo, Japan

Question 1:

Who will take care of unloading and placing materials at each place in the United States, or Japan?

Answer 1:

It is the Contractor's responsibility in both countries.

Question 2:

It says that the skirting board dimensions are W 5/8" x H 3-3/8" x L 8 ft (+20%), but what does +20% mean?

Answer 2:

The 20% is written in the sample vendor's (Country Mouldings') specifications. If the Contractor choose to propose equivalent product manufactured by other manufactures, the 20% can be ignored.

Question 3:

If we supply 15,000 FEET of skirting board in total length of the delivery, is it acceptable that the length of one skirting board is between 5'11" (1800 mm) to 6'7" (2000 mm) ?

Answer 3:

No. Each piece of wood shall have a length of 8 feet. See subsection 1.2.1 (a) List of Items to be Purchased.

Question 4:

Can we use RED OAK with finger joint material to achieve specified length for the skirting board?

Answer 4:

The Contractor shall furnish the product without joints.

Question 5:

Finish: "Prefinished" is specified. Can you provide color samples for color matching to the successful bidder?

Answer 5:

Yes, sample material is available in Embassy's storage for the awarded Contractor's reference.

Question 6:

For Japan specified address, shall we deliver all materials at one time?

Answer 6:

Delivery in 2-3 batches is acceptable, in addition to the delivery at one time.

Question 7:

Is it possible for a 4-ton truck to deliver during the day Monday through Friday?

Answer 7:

Yes. The 4-ton truck can access the delivery destination on Monday thru Friday, except for Japanese and U.S. holidays observed by the U.S. Embassy Tokyo.

Question 8:

Is unloading of products included in the scope of work?

Answer 8:

The scope of work includes unloading the furnished products to the parking storage space of Temple Townhouses at the Mitsui Housing Compound of the U.S. Embassy Tokyo. The furnished products shall be delivered in wood crates or container with forklift-ready base (pallet). See Amendment No. A003.

Question 9:

The specified item can only be delivered within the United States and cannot be procured. May I suggest a Japanese product?

Answer 9:

The Contractor may suggest other products that are equivalent to subsection 1.2.1 (a) List of Items to be Purchased. For the U.S. delivery location, see subsection 1.2.1 (b) Delivery Location and Time for delivery location.

Question 10:

If Question 9 is correct, the tree species is white cherry oak. Is it good?

Answer 10:

Only Red Oak is acceptable in order to match the existing flooring materials that the Embassy is currently using.

Question 11:

Also, if Question 9 is correct, the thickness is 12 mm and the cross-sectional shape is also different. is it good?

Answer 11:

The max thickness shall be 5/8 inch or 15.875mm and the height shall be 3- 3/8 inches or 85.725mm.

Question 12:

Do I need to be present at the time of delivery?

Answer 12:

As long as you can deliver the order correctly, it is not necessary to be present during the delivery. However, in case of incorrect delivery, the Contractor shall take the order back and resend the correct order at the Contractor's expense.

Question 13:

All at once when delivering is it good?

Answer 13:

Yes.

Question 14:

Can a 4t truck vehicle enter the receiving area?

Answer 14:

Yes.

Question 15:

Is the unloading area remote from the vehicle and requires manpower?

Answer 15:

The furnished product shall be delivered in wood crates or container with forklift-ready base (pallet). In Tokyo, the Contractor shall unload it from the truck and move it about 100 meters to the parking storage space of Temple Townhouses at the Mitsui Housing Compound of the U.S. Embassy Tokyo. See Amendment No. A003.

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