

**LOCKPORT TOWNSHIP
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PROJECT TITLE: REFUSE, RECYCLING, YARD MATERIAL COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL

**ADDENDUM #2
January 22, 2019**

The following questions were submitted regarding the bid listed above:

1. Opt-In/Township Description – Will the Township consider requiring all 3,000 eligible unincorporated households to use the franchise hauler? This would provide incentive for more competitive collection pricing?

The voters of Lockport Township have determined they want a single hauler and the Township is dedicated to providing that service in as economical way as possible. The Township is open to considering an ordinance to make the voter's demand a reality. However, they recognize that some residents may have legitimate access to refuse and recycling service through businesses they own. If property owners can prove they have service through a verifiable alternative then they will be given the ability to opt out..

2. Performance Bond - Due to the potential of a varying number of units being serviced, will the Township consider a fixed Performance Bond amount? (i.e. \$50,000)

The Performance Bond is based on the first 3 months of service for approximately 3,000 homes. \$50,000 would mean you expect to charge \$16.67 quarterly. That is an extremely low price, but if any firm wishes to bid that price, then they would receive a bond of approximately \$50,000.

The Township anticipates working with the selected hauler to determine the house count, and the provided Performance Bond calculation in section 13 of the RFP.

3. Default/Termination – The Township Supervisor may cancel contract for cause/convenience, please define “cause”. Will the Township agree to define cause as the continued documented poor service and any cancellation approval must come from the Township Board and not beholden just to the Supervisor? Will the Township accept language for the Contractor to cure/remedy prior to any vote to cancel the agreement??

Under Section 21 of the RFP the Township provides a list of Non-Performance; Default; Bankruptcy situations which could cause the Township Supervisor to cancel the contract. Given the scope of service, the Township Supervisor would only take action after consulting the Township Board but flexibility is needed as some failure to perform service situations could require fast action to remedy. This action is not something the Supervisor can undertake without the contractor significantly failing to perform.

4. Residential Enrollment – Will all residents be automatically enrolled in the program beginning May 1, 2019? Does the Township have an active list of the 3,000 households in an Excel format to expedite the new program implementation?

All properties are automatically enrolled in the program. The property has limited ability to opt out as answered in Question 1. The Township has a list of all properties. They do not have a list of renters and some properties are held in Trust. Lockport Township will work with the selected hauler to complete the list. The selected contractor will mail all property owners information requesting they select the size of their carts immediately after notification of award of contract and hopefully this will complete the list.

5. Cart Price - The RFP lists a price for cart replacement at \$35. This is below actual cost, will the Township allow this price point to be increased to equal current pricing? Please note that current truck load quantities of carts far exceed the \$35.00 per cart cost.

The Cart Price is a replacement fee reasonable enough to residents to replace their cart if the cart is severely damaged by the resident or stolen. The committee recognizes that this is below market value for a cart. Should any contractor believe this is too large of a potential cost, they should submit two bid responses, one with the \$35 and an alternative bid, showing the Cart price at a higher amount (not to exceed \$60) and a lower quarterly fee to all homes.

6. Cart Ownership - The RFP states that the Carts become the property of the residents at the end of the five-year contract term. Many haulers brand their carts and since the next contract could be awarded to a different company. Could the cart remain the property of the hauler?

The Township is making every effort to provide economical service to residents. They have final say over the design of the cart and expect the carts to last longer than five years. Keeping ownership of the carts that the residents are paying for over the course of the five years results in a possible savings when the contract is re-bid or if renewal is sought.

7. Yard Material Cart – Since Township residents are allowed to burn, could the Yard Material Carts only be delivered on a request basis?

The Village of Romeoville, the City of Joliet and the City of Lockport all prohibit open burning. Waste haulers ceased offering Yard Material Service in unincorporated areas in the early 2000s and this has resulted in increased burning by residents in densely populated areas, which can impact the quality of life for their neighbors. The Yard Materials Service is required and must begin on May 1 with carts delivered by the end of April as stated in the RFP.

8. Bid Opening – Will the RFP responses be opened and read publically on January 31, 2019 at 10am?

Yes, summary only.