



## CITY OF FULLERTON

Public Works Department – Water Operations Division

### RFB# 4396 Questions– FY'23-24 Laboratory Services – Analysis of Potable & Wastewater

#### Amendment No. 1 - Questions and Answers

**1. Who is the current incumbent lab? Can we have the current pricing? What is the proposed budget? What is the pick-up location?**

Current contracted laboratory is ALS Global. Please see price list below. There is \$60,000 budget for analytical analysis. The pick-up location would be at the City of Fullerton Public Works Yard located at 1580 W Commonwealth Ave. Fullerton, CA 92833.

Laboratory Services Bid Sheet			
Type of Test	Estimated Number of Tests	Unit Cost per Test	Total Cost
Bacteriological- Total Coliform and E. coli present/absent	1936	8.13	15,739.68
HPC (if Cl2 residual <0.2 mg/L)	100	8.13	813.00
General Physical (temp, pH, color, odor and turbidity)	360	12.25	4,410.00
Fluoride	60	12.50	750.00
Lead & Copper Sampling 2021 (every 3 years)	0	20.00	0
Haloacetic Acids (stage2)	32	68.75	2,200.00
Trihalomethanes (stage 2)	32	37.50	1,200.00
Routine Sample Pickup Charge (weekly, if any)	52 weeks	25.00	1,300.00
After hours/Weekend/Holiday Pickup of Bacteriological Samples	100	45.00	4,500.00
After hours/Weekend/ Holiday Analysis of Bacteriological Samples	100	45.00	4,500.00
Misc.			

\*All items listed will be "up to amounts" and performed on an as needed basis.

Please note: Each work order will be subject to the \$25.00 Sustainability Fee . This fee is to offset safety and environmental costs.

**2. How much was this contract worth in 2022? What was the 2022 annual spend?**

The FY 22-23 PO was \$40,000. To date \$33,000 has been invoiced for July through April analysis.



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**3. Is the currently weekly sample pickups once a week on Tuesday?  
What time are samples ready?**

Routine sample pick up are on Tuesdays and samples are usually ready by 3:30 pm but we request a 4:00 pm pick-up time as a buffer.

**4. How often is there a request for after hours, weekend, or holiday pickup of bacteriological samples?**

There is one to two samples per month that would require after hours, weekend or holiday pick up. This number is subject to change based on frequency of emergency repairs.

**5. For the wastewater quarterly samples is this the lab's responsibility to set up the 24 hour ISCO or are we only picking up the samples?**

The laboratory would be responsible for setting up the 24 hour ISCO.

**6. Is this contract award based solely on low priced or based on other things also?**

Contract award is typically based on lowest bid, but other factors are considered such as historical performance and location of laboratory (should staff need to transport a sample).

**7. Are there penalties for late reports?**

There are no penalties for late reports, however monthly reports are due by the 10<sup>th</sup> of the following month. Continued failure to provide reports in a timely manner may result in the city terminating the professional service agreement per the language in Attachment C, Section 4.2.

**8. In Attachment B there are unit costs for "other". Please clarify what is included for "other"**

Other is in reference any miscellaneous costs associated with providing a sampler, the language has been corrected in the editable attachment.

**9. May we have an editable Word or Excel file for Attachment B and C?**

Editable versions of Attachment A and B are available. Any proposed revisions to the sample professional service agreement, Attachment C, may be submitted with as part of the quote for services.

**10. May we substitute any of the tests with accepted methods?**

Additional test methods may be accepted at the discretion of the city. Please provide a SOP of the proposed method for review. Please note that for Total Coliform and E. Coli, the city requires positive and/or negative results be determined within 48 hours on analysis.