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<u>Return Acknowledgment To:</u> <b>Issuing Department</b>		<u>Date and Hour of Bid Due Date:</u> <b>October 19, 2017 at 2:00 p.m.</b>	
<u>Bid Title:</u> <b>Snow and Ice Removal and Sanding for the MSBSD</b>		<u>As Advertised (Frontiersman):</u> <b>October 4 and 6, 2017</b>	
<u>Bid No:</u> <b>B18-03</b>		<u>As Advertised (ADN):</u> <b>October 3 and 5, 2017</b>	
<p><b>The following corrections, changes, additions, deletions, revisions, and/or clarifications are hereby made a part of the contract documents. In case of conflicts between this addendum and previously issued documents, this addendum shall take precedence. The bidder must acknowledge receipt of this addendum in the space provided on Appendix #1. Failure to do so may subject the bidder to disqualification.</b></p> <p>This addendum incorporates the attached 5 pages.</p> <p><b>Attachments:</b></p> <p>Clarifications (5 pages)</p>			
<b>END OF ADDENDUM #1</b>			

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**MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT  
PURCHASING DEPARTMENT  
690 COPE INDUSTRIAL WAY  
PALMER, AK 99645**

**SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL AND SANDING FOR THE  
MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BID #B18-03**

**ADDENDUM #1**

Information in this addendum takes precedence over original information. All other provisions of the document remain unchanged.

*Note to Bidders: Bidders are required to acknowledge all addenda on Appendix 1.*

The following additions, corrections and changes are hereby made to the above-referenced Invitation to Bid.

**CLARIFICATIONS, QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS:**

GENERAL QUESTIONS FOR ALL LOCATIONS:

1. Q: What is the minimum depth of snow for a call out?  
  
A: Please refer to the bid documents, Page 16, Scope of Services, paragraph 3, Response Time: "The contractor will automatically respond to a snowfall of three (3) inches or greater in a twenty-four (24) hour period."
2. Q: Is sanding a call out or is it automatic when plowing is done?  
  
A: Once plowing has been completed, sanding shall be done. The contractor may also be called out specifically for sanding, as weather requires.
3. Q: Are contracts awarded by school or by service area? If awarded by service area, how is that determined?  
  
A: Please refer to the bid documents, page 22, Bid Form, paragraph 2: "Contractors may bid on any service area or combination of service areas. The MSBSD will recommend award to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder for each service area. Award will be based on the total base bid price for each service area."
4. Q: How does the contractor know when there is 3" inches of snow at a school?  
  
A: It will be the contractor's responsibility to verify snowfall at schools within their awarded service areas, whether through physical inspection or some other means. A call out may be sent to the contractor if MSBSD staff are out plowing an adjacent service area that has accumulated similar snowfall.

GENERAL QUESTIONS FOR ALL LOCATIONS (Continued):

5. Q: Is a contractor required to bid spring cleanup for each school they bid plowing for?

A: Yes. The Contractor is required to fill out the Additional Rates section of the Bid Form for each school(s) in the service area(s) that they bid.

6. Q: How do you remove ice?

A: A scarifier blade on a grader is used to remove ice.

7. Q: What is the process for getting a 4x4 truck approved for use as a primary piece of equipment?

A: Use of a 4x4 truck with a plow as one of the primary pieces of equipment may be approved by the MSBSD in certain locations, **after award of the contract**. All other equipment listed on pages 18 and 19 of the bid documents, Scope of Services, Section 11, Facility, Location, and Equipment Required shall be available for use by the contractor to meet the performance standard of the contract. Approval of use of a 4x4 truck does not absolve the contractor of the obligation to meet the performance standard of the contract, nor will the MSBSD approve use of a 4x4 truck as the sole piece of equipment. Other equipment will still be needed to clear, move, stack, and store snow.

8. Q: Will a loader with an industrial grade steel cutting edge be an acceptable alternative to a grader?

A: Yes, this is an acceptable alternative.

9. Q: Is there storage space at Sutton or Butte where a sand stockpile can be placed and a loader can be staged at and plugged in?

A: There is storage space at both locations; however, a location for plugging in equipment is not available.

TRAPPER CREEK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL:

10. Q: How many times a year is plowing required?

A: Plowing is required as per the specifications of the bid documents and the number of occurrences may vary from year to year, dependent on snowfall amounts and frequency. This area gets more snowfall on average than other locations.

11. Q: Where is the septic system located?

A: The septic system at Trapper Creek Elementary is located behind the building.

TRAPPER CREEK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL (Continued):

12. CLARIFICATION: Please keep the ski trail open by pushing snow ten (10) feet beyond the fence at the end of the sidewalk.

13. CLARIFICATION: Keep service road open; no berm will be permitted.

TALKEETNA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL:

14. Q: Does the ski trail need to stay open?

A: Yes.

15. Q: Who plows the front sidewalk and entryway?

A: The MSBSD is responsible for clearing those areas.

16. Q: Will the basketball court need to be plowed?

A: Yes, the contractor will be responsible for plowing the basketball court.

17. Q: Are trashcans left out or put away for winter?

A: The trashcans will be put away.

18. Q: Do the hockey rink entryway and gates need to be cleared?

A: Yes, the contractor will be responsible for clearing the hockey rink entryway and gates.

19. CLARIFICATION: Do not store snow in front of the sledding hill.

20. CLARIFICATION: Plow a single lane wide enough for a fire truck all the way around the school.

SU VALLEY JR./SR. HIGH SCHOOL:

21. Q: Who is the Custodian?

A: The contact list for each school will be provided to the successful bidder at the time of award.

22. Q: What is the average snowfall?

A: The average snowfall varies per year. The Talkeetna region has the highest snowfall in the district. Exact snowfall records are not kept.

23. Q: Will we be given access to the gate by the field in the back (by the connex)?

A: No.

SU-VALLEY JR./SR. HIGH SCHOOL (Continued):

24. Q: Will the picnic tables be moved?

A: Yes.

25. Q: Will they be butchering a moose this year and does the trailer need to be kept clear?

A: Yes.

26. Q: Who is plowing the enclosed gated area in back, the MSBSD or the contractor?

A: The MSBSD will be responsible for plowing the gated area.

27. Q: Can the back corner be used for snow storage?

A: The NW corner of the property can be used for snow storage.

28. Q: Can snow be stored in the back grass area by the wellhead?

A: No.

WILLOW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL:

29. CLARIFICATION: Facilities will provide the contractor with a key to the locked playground gate.

HOUSTON MIDDLE SCHOOL AND HOUSTON HIGH SCHOOL COMPLEX:

30. Q: Will contractors be called out for sanding?

A: Please refer to the answer to question #2.

MACHETANZ ELEMENTARY SCHOOL:

31. Q: Does the School District plow the front entry or does the contractor?

A: The contractor is responsible for plowing the front entry.

32. Q: Does the basketball court need to be plowed?

A: Yes, the contractor is responsible for plowing the basketball court.

33. Q: Does the sidewalk by the playground, behind basketball hoop/small shed have to be plowed?

A: Yes, the contractor will be responsible for clearing this area.

34. Q: Where is the fire lane?

A: The front bus loop is the fire lane.

BUTTE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL:

35. Q: How many times a year does this school get plowed?

A: Plowing is required as per the specifications of the bid documents and the number of occurrences may vary from year to year, dependent on snowfall amounts and frequency. However, this area gets more snowfall on average than the Palmer core area.

36. Q: Can a 4x4 truck be approved as a primary piece of equipment for BTE?

A: Please refer to the answer to question #7.

37. CLARIFICATION: The contractor will be responsible for plowing the hockey rink, in addition to areas marked on the School Map.

SUTTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL:

38. Q: Is the basketball court plowed?

A: Yes, the contractor will be responsible for plowing the basketball court.

39. Q: Does the back sidewalk need to be plowed?

A: Yes, the contractor will be responsible for clearing the back sidewalk.

40. Q: Will the trashcan be moved for winter?

A: Yes.

41. Q: Do the sheds need to be kept clear of snow?

A: Yes.

42. Q: Are the dumpsters by the back loading dock there year round?

A: Yes, the dumpsters are there year round, and the contractor must plow in such a way as to not restrict access to them.