

SPECIFICATIONS

INTENT: The purpose and intent of this public bid is the acquisition for the County of Union of a reputable and experienced vendor who can furnish and deliver **Rock Salt** at various locations in Union County as per the following specifications.

Rock Salt shall conform to the current New Jersey State Highway Department Standard Specifications, Article 8:5:36.

The bidder agrees to have on hand the needs of the Division of Public Works, and, the needs of all participating cooperative members, if the bidder agrees to extend. The bidder will have the facilities capable of handling, storing and delivering to the designated locations in the required amounts and to ensure protection from the elements and prevent contamination. Facilities will be subject to inspection and approval of the Division of Public Works prior to the award of bid.

CONTRACT PERIOD: The period of the contract shall be for twelve (12) consecutive months with an option for an additional twelve (12) months contract subject to the following limitations: the option contract shall be awarded by resolution of the governing body (within 60 days prior to the expiration date) upon a finding by the governing body that the services are being performed in an effective and efficient manner.

ESTIMATE OF QUANTITIES: The quantities specified below are derived from historical purchasing records of the County and are given for the information of the bidder and for the purpose of bid evaluation. Nothing contained in any of the bid documents shall be construed to guarantee or warrant an amount of the commodity that the County shall purchase. The quantities set forth herein constitute either historic information or estimates of future needs and may not be indicative of the actual quantities to be used in the future.

To assist bidders in preparing proposals, the following historical data is provided as to the amount of the commodity supplied by previous vendors:

2015	7,000 Tons – 12 Month
2016	2,300 Tons – 12 Month
2017	2,600 Tons – 12 Month
2018/2019	11,000 Tons – 12 Months

County is bidding on 10,000 Tons (**More or Less**)

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE ENSUING CONTRACT IS INTENDED TO BE AN OPEN END CONTRACT AS ALLOWED UNDER N.J.A.C. 5:30 ET. SEQ. AND, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RULES, THE MINIMUM NUMBER SET ON THE BID SHALL BE ZERO (0) AND MAXIMUM SHALL BE THE QUANTITY ESTIMATED ON THE BID FORM PAGE(S).

DELIVERY: Rock salt shall be delivered at the bid price F.O.B. Destination to a site specified by the County of Union and, if the bidder agrees to extend, to the location specified by each cooperative member. Deliveries of rock salt shall be within 24 hours after receipt of order. The minimum for a delivered order shall be twenty (20) tons. Normal delivery to be between 8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Monday-Friday unless as required otherwise by the Director of the Division of Public Works or his designee.

Note: In the event that the Division of Public Works and/or any of the cooperative members deem it necessary to pick up rock salt at the plant site named on the bid pages, the bidder agrees to allow for such a process at the

bid price and a minimum of five tons a pick up. Said may be picked up at any time of day or night, seven (7) days a week.

EXPERIENCE: The bidder will have three (3) years of experience serving as a distributor of Rock Salt to a government entity or entity similar in the size and scope of Union County. References will include name and address of entity, contact name and phone number and number of years providing service.

PAYMENT TO VENDOR: When payment for Rock Salt is specified on a ton basis, each truckload or carload of material shall be weighed by a Certified Weigh Master on a certified scale approved by the State Department of Weights and Measures. The weigh master shall furnish to the truck driver duplicate weigh master slips showing the gross, tare and net weight with his signature and official seal affixed. One of these delivery slips will be furnished to the Division representative on the project. No materials will be accepted unless accompanied by such a delivery slip.

Payment is to be made within forty-five (45) days after the receipt of Vendor's invoice and a signed County voucher attesting to the delivery of the goods and services by some officer or duly designated employee of the using County entity and after approval of the appropriate Department head. The Vendor shall prepare invoices and shall submit them to the office/designated employee of the using County entity.

The vendor will not provide any goods and/or services without a valid and current purchase order from the County unit indicating account number and encumbrance.

LINE 2 BIDDER CONSENT: The County always prefers a longer term of contract. Toward that end, the bid form page, Line 2, will allow bidders to agree to provide the County with twelve additional months of the contract, all prices and terms remaining the same. Bid shall be awarded to the lowest responsible and responsive bidder for Line 1 regardless of the result of Line 2.

PARTICIPATING COOPERATIVE MEMBERS

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>TONS</u>
Township of Berkeley Heights	2,500
Township of Clark	300
Township of Cranford	1,000
City of Elizabeth	7,000
Borough of Fanwood	600
Borough of Florham Park	1,000
Borough of Garwood	300
Township of Harding	500
Township of Hillside	1,000
Joint Meeting of Essex & Union Counties	75
Borough of Kenilworth	200
City of Linden	1,000
City of Rahway	1,000
Township of Rockaway	4,000
Borough of Roselle Park	900
Township of Scotch Plains	400
Township of Springfield	600
City of Summit	1,000
Township of Union	150
Township of Verona	500
Township of West Orange	2,000
Township of Westfield	1,500
Township of Winfield	60