



University of Massachusetts Amherst
Department of Procurement
Request for Bids:

Two-Wheeled Universal Recycling / Refuse Carts
per the attached specifications or approved equal

RFB# AA10-RH-3494

Bid Opening Date - September 1, 2009 @ 1:00 p.m.

The Department of Waste Management at the University of Massachusetts Amherst is seeking bids to provide Universal Wheeled Recycling / Refuse Carts per the following specifications or approved equals.

Item A:

Universal Wheeled Cart - 90 gallon series (Red) - Rotation molded

XHD Semi-Automated Two-Wheel Nestable Cart, with lids and bungy chord lid strap with "S" hook, and all rigid plastic wheels.

Carts must not be waxed.

Hot stamped in white.

See attached Imprint #1 (front side) and Imprint #2 (sides)

Post-consumer recycled plastic content: _____%

200 x Unit price: \$____.____ Extended cost \$____.____

ADDITIONAL NOTE: (PLEASE READ!)

- 1. The University may elect to award some or all of the above bid items or split the award among more than one vendor.
2. Vendor must bid the shipping charges appropriately per section above.
3. Hot stamp charges and any wheel substitutions must be included in unit price.
4. Bids must be accompanied by complete descriptive literature, to be followed by sample container(s), if requested.
5. Color samples must be submitted for any alternates.
6. Containers must not be waxed.
7. Delivery of materials is required by September 30, 2009

Delivery lead-time after receipt of order: _____

Questions concerning this bid should be directed to John Pepi at the Office of Waste Management, (413) 577-3013. Fax is (413) 545-4737.

Delivery: FOB Destination, Amherst, MA

Delivery to:

University of Massachusetts
Office of Waste Management
151 Tillson Farm Road
Amherst, MA 01003

Special Note: If you are submitting a bid on an “approved equal” all detailed information on the product must be included within the bid. Failure to include this information may disqualify the bid.

The University reserves the right to make partial awards for the services requested or to make an award to more than one vendor.

Each bidder is solely responsible for the accuracy and completeness of its bid. Errors or omissions may be grounds for rejection, or may be interpreted in favor of the University. The University will not increase the purchase order to the successful vendor for omissions or oversights not due to the fault of the University or its agents. All changes must be approved in writing.

The successful bidder will be required to provide original signed W-9 form to the University if they are not already a recognized University vendor. A copy of this form can be accessed at: www.umass.edu/procurement - Click on “Forms” – Click on “University of Massachusetts Substitute W-9 Form”.

Bidders shall deliver **two (2) copies** of their bid response to the following address by **Tuesday, September 1, 2009 at 1:00pm, at which time the bids will be opened and publicly read.** Bids shall be clearly marked and addressed to:

**University of Massachusetts
Procurement Department
407 Goodell Bldg. ~ 140 Hicks Way
Amherst, MA 01003
Fax 413-545-1643**

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It is the sole responsibility of the bidder to insure that its bid is delivered to the Procurement Department in its entirety by the due date and time. Late bids will not be considered, and will be placed, unopened, in the bid file. Faxed bids will be accepted, provided the original is received within 5 working days after bid deadline submission date.

All questions from prospective vendors regarding this Request for Bid shall be referred to the Purchasing Manager in the Procurement Department by email or fax only, by Wednesday, August 26, 2009 at 2:00 PM. No telephone calls will be entertained. Inquiries received after the specified date and time will not be accepted. The University will E-Mail its response to all questions to all bidders of record by formal addendum by Thursday, August 27, 2009. The contact information for this individual is:

**University of Massachusetts Amherst
Rosemary A. Hassay, Purchasing Manager
Fax: (413) 545-1643
Email: procurement@admin.umass.edu**

The University will extend the due date by written addendum if such information significantly amends this request for bid or makes compliance with the original proposed due date impractical.

The University of Massachusetts is an Affirmative Action, Equal Opportunity Employer.

Imprint Number 1
**(In 3" high letters, white, on front side of Cart,
two-thirds of the distance to the top):**

UMass Amherst (413) 545-9615
Office of Waste Management

Imprint Number 2

**In 3" high letters, white, on two sides of cart, two-thirds of the distance to
the top:**

**Bottles &
Cans Only!**