

Addendum 2
April 9, 2025
South Jersey Port Corporation
SJPC-RFP-25-P16
Port Security Audit

NOTICE

This Addendum is considered part of this Request for Proposals and must be acknowledged with your submission.

ANSWERS TO FORMALLY SUBMITTED QUESTIONS

Question 1. Are there any restrictions regarding out-of-state vendors? Can out-of-state vendors apply/bid?

Answer 1. There are no restrictions regarding out-of-state vendors, out-of-state vendors can apply/bid.

Question 2. What year was the current FSP submitted to USCG COTP for the 5-year review?

Answer 2. December 2020.

Question 3. Are current security training files on file for both the current FSO, AFSO, and all contracted/proprietary security personnel? All IAW with 33-105-215 (a-n).

Answer 3. Yes.

Question 4. What is the current daily entry/exit scan for the site?

Answer 4. SJPC follows the appropriate percentages outlined in SJPC's FSP.

Question 5. Upon request Can the site produce 60-day of DOS (Declaration of Security documents) for each vessel that visited the port?

Answer 5. Yes.

Question 6. When was the most recent SVA, Annual Security Exercise conducted?

Answer 6. February 18, 2024.

Question 7. Are there any notices of deficiency issued by USCG in the previous 24 months that have not been addressed?

Answer 7. No.

Question 8. Is the site in compliance with all Cybersecurity Framework/NIST requirements?

Answer 8. No.

Question 9. Dates of last MARSEC 2 Drill/Exercise?

Answer 9. Unknown.

Question 10. Dates of last MARSEC3 Drill/Exercise?

Answer 10. Unknown.

Question 11. Does the Federal Letter of Affirmative Action Plan Approval apply to out of state vendors?

Answer 11. Yes.

Question 12. Does the Certificate of Employee Information Report apply to out-of-state vendors?

Answer 12. Yes.

Question 13. Does the Affirmative Action Employee Information Report (AA302) apply to vendors?

Answer 13. Yes.

Question 14. Is it required that the vendor have MBE, SBE, and WBE certification to compete for this bid?

Answer 14. No.

Question 15. Can similar certificates from out-of-state certified vendors be submitted?

Answer 15. Yes.

Question 16. Can out-of-state vendors who are licensed auditors who have not been in business for 2 years or more still compete for this bid.

Answer 16. Yes.

Question 17. For which SJPC facilities will the contractor perform the tasks identified in the scope of work?

Answer 17. The Balzano and Broadway Marine Terminals.

Question 18. When was the last FSA/FSP audit conducted for each facility, and were there any USCG findings or corrective actions?

Answer 18. The last FSA/FSP audit conducted was June 27, 2024, and there were no USCG findings or corrective actions.

Question 19. When does the SJPC intend to make an award?

Answer 19. In a timely manner after bid proposals are received and evaluated.

Question 20. Are there unusual facility-specific nuances (e.g., construction activities) that may affect audit scope or project timelines?

Answer 20. No.

Question 21. For how many FSOs does SJPC require preparation for USCG inspections?

Answer 21. None. Audit for inspection is all that is required.

Question 22. What type of preparation is required by SJPC to fulfill this need? i.e., conduct an FSO course?

Answer 22. All FSOs and A/FSOs are trained. Training would only be needed for a new FSO.

Question 23. Regarding Coast Guard Compliance Consultative Services during the audit, does SJPC require these consultative services while the audit team is on site at SJPC terminals/facilities?

Answer 23. No.

Question 24. Or does SJPC require these services throughout the duration of the contract?

Answer 24. Yes.

Question 25. Does SJPC require written responses in conjunction with said consultative services?

Answer 25. No.

Question 26. Who at SJPC will be authorized to request consultative services?

Answer 26. FSO and A/FSO.

Question 27. Can SJPC clarify a timeline discrepancy, where the 15th scope line item indicates 10 days for submission and the 19th scope line item indicates 30 days for submission.

Answer 27. The submission time is 30 days.

Question 28. For pricing, would SJPC prefer (1) bidders propose one lump sum price for two years and one lump sum for the option year, or (2) bidder propose separate prices for each of the first year, second year, and option year?

Answer 28. Propose separate prices for each of the first year, second year, and option year.

Question 29. Has the SJPC conducted a penetration test of either/both/any facility(ies)?

Answer 29. Yes.

Question 30. Has the port formally initiated planning for the new USCG Cybersecurity Rule (effective July 16, 2025)?

Answer 30. No.

Question 31. Are any baseline cybersecurity assessments already underway or completed?

Answer 31. Yes, we are currently working on integrating CrowdStrike Falcon. Which we received from the NJCCIC's FFY24 SLCGP.

Question 32. Are there concurrent initiatives (e.g., grant applications, infrastructure upgrades, cyber insurance reviews) that should inform our audit or advisory support?

Answer 32. Yes, we were awarded funds from the NJCCIC's FFY24 SLCGP. We are in the process of applying new security software, hardware and policies.

Question 33. How many drills over what period of time at which facilities does SJPC require?

Answer 33. Drills and Exercises are conducted in accordance to USCG requirements.

Question 34. How many exercises, over what period of time at which facilities does SJPC require?

Answer 34. Currently none.

Question 35. What type of exercise does SJPC require? Full scale? Table-top?

Answer 35. Exercises will vary.

Questions 36. In compliance with HSEEP? What is the required timeframe to conduct an exercise as part of this RFP?

Answer 36. 6 to 12 months.