

ADDENDUM 1

Durham Public Schools Request for Statement of Qualifications (RFQ) for Energy Conservation and Management Services

RFQ# 179-2021-599-ENERGY_MGMT

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ADDENDUM 1 – Questions and Answers

Q1. What type of minority certification is required?

A1. To be considered a minority business, you must have active certification as an HUB/MWBE company.

**Q2. Can we use our existing certifications to meet these requirements?
We have WBE, DBE, WOB, LDB, MWBE, SBE, EDWOSB, WOSB.**

A2. Yes, these are acceptable.

Q3. Can you tell me what it would take to get a minority business certification that will be valid for the project?

A3. You can become certified through the State of NC, US Small Business Association, or the National Minority Supplier Development Council.

Q4. I have a Woman Owned Small Business lighting consulting firm. I wanted to know if I can still submit an RFQ for this project knowing I would have to team up with a larger company to complete the entire project. I specialize in lighting systems and lighting controls only.

A4. Yes. Include possible partners in your RFQ response.

**Q5. Regarding Attachment A: Participation of Minority Businesses (page 6):
Will this engagement fall under the 10% minority business goal using the \$300,000 threshold for local/non-state funds or the \$100,000 threshold for state funds?**

A5. For RFQ purposes, please note if you are an MWBE business or if you will be partnering with any MWBE business, and if so, whom.

**Q6. Regarding Attachment A: Participation of Minority Businesses (page 6):
Because there is no cost being submitted for this work, is there an estimated budget for the project?**

A6. There is not currently an estimated budget. For RFQ purposes, please simply note if you are an MWBE business or if you will be partnering with any MWBE business, and if so, whom.