



CITY OF TORRINGTON
Addendum # 1

THE CITY OF TORRINGTON HAS ISSUED ADDENDUM 1 REGARDING QUESTIONS/ ANSWERS PERTAINING TO FIREFIGHTER PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT PER SPECIFICATIONS.

RFP #PPE-022-091916 FIREFIGHTER PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

Bid opening: **Sept. 19, 2016** Time: **11:00 AM** Location: **City Hall, 140 Main St., Room 206, Torrington, CT 06790**

Submit signed addenda with bid.

The City of Torrington reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids or any portion thereof, to waive technicalities, and to award the contract as will best serve the public interest.

Dated in Torrington: September 9, 2016

Purchasing Agent *Pennie Zucco*
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Bid Submitted by: _____ Date: _____

Company Name: _____

Company Address: _____

Authorized Representative: _____

Authorized Signature: _____

Phone # _____ Fax # _____

Email: _____

Questions & Answers 9/9/16:

Q1. Would the department accept the Gore Crosstech Black Moisture Barrier in lieu of Stedair 4000 as the Moisture Barrier component? Gore is a proven industry leader and there will be no sacrifice in quality and protection.

A1. At this time the Fire Department has chosen to stay with the original request of StedAir. Potential bidders can submit their bid taking the exception (noted on Appendix D), note the reasons why, and what product your company would submit.

Q2. The 5% BID bond that is required upon submission of the BID shall be calculated as per the approximate ten sets to be ordered in the first year, correct?

A2. The 5% bid bond applies to the approximate 10 sets.

Q3. Question about the pricing on the bid. Is this a fixed price for the term of the contract or is there allotment for a percentage increase after so many years?

A3. Per the instructions to bidders, the contract may be extended for four (4) additional one (1) year periods, provided all terms and conditions remain in full force and effect except for the contract

period being extended. This option, if exercised, is to be executed in the form of a letter of agreement, to be issued no later than 30 days prior to the expiration of the then current contract period. This option to renew requires the mutual agreement of both parties. Refusal by either party to exercise this option to extend, will cause this contract to expire on the original or mutually agreed upon date. The total period of this contract, including all extensions as a result of exercising this option, will not exceed a maximum combined period of five (5) years.

- Q4.** As per specifications, department is asking for firefighter names to be sewn onto gear. Does the department ever transfer gear upon termination or retirement? We offer a removable name patch that reduces cost over the long term.
- A4.** Yes. Potential bidders taking an exception, please note on Appendix D and what would be provided in place of the firefighter's name sewn onto gear.
- Q5.** Would the department be interested in the **3M Brand Segmented Trim Package as compared to the Scotchlite Triple Trim**? The Segmented Trim has great wear strength and as a result has lower costs of maintenance for the fact that it is heat treated on the garment as compared to stitching?
- A5.** Potential bidders taking an exception, please note on Appendix D and what would be provided in place of the **Scotchlite Triple Trim**. All submitted proposals/information will be reviewed.