


COLLETON COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA, a body politic and corporate and a political subdivision of the State of SC	MAIL TO: Finance-Purchasing ATTN: Ms. Stacy Langdale PO Box 157 Walterboro, SC 29488	
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL	HAND CARRY TO: Purchasing Office, Room 208A Harrelson Building, 31 Klein Street Walterboro, South Carolina 29488	
Proposals will be accepted until 2:00 PM, Wednesday, February 24, 2010	TELEPHONE NO. (843) 549-5716	
Then Publicly Opened in Room 208	PROPOSAL NUMBER: FIN-05 Auditing Services	

This amendment is effective as of February 12, 2010.

RFP FIN-05 must be further revised and clarified. The following is a list of questions and answers asked by potential bidders:

1. The auditor's report indicates that the financial statements of one of the County's discretely presented component units, the Colleton County Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse was audited by other auditors. Would that also be the case for the 2010, 2011 and 2012 fiscal year audits?
 - a. **While the Colleton County Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse must be included in the Colleton County audit report, the Alcohol and Drug Commission will also be audited by other auditors and will have a separate audit report. The degree to which the Colleton County auditor wishes to rely upon the audit report produced by the other auditor is entirely up to them.**
2. There are two other discretely presented component units, the Colleton County Memorial Library and the Colleton County Fire and Rescue Commission. Does the audit contract anticipate that separate audit reports will be issued for the component unit financial statements of these two entities? No separate audit reports for these component units
 - a. **There will be no separate audit reports for the Colleton County Memorial Library and the Colleton County Fire and Rescue Commission.**
3. I could not tell from the RFP under Assistance Available to Proposer or elsewhere whether the financial statements are prepared internally by the County's Finance Department or prepared by the external auditor. Does the County's staff prepare the financial statements, notes and supplementary schedules?
 - a. **The auditors will prepare the financial statements.**
4. The RFP states that the audited statements for the year ended June 30, 2009 will be made available for an onsite inspection by making an appointment with the Finance Director. The 6/30/08 and prior financial statements are available on the County's website. Will the audited statements for 2009 be posted to the website prior to the due date of the proposal? If not, can they be provided to responding firms by email or regular mail?
 - a. **The audited statements for the year ended June 30, 2009 are currently available on the website.**
5. What were the total fees for the 2009 audit?
 - a. **The audit fee for the 2009 audit was \$58,895.**

This amendment will not require any alterations to the time of the original proposal opening; therefore, proposals will still be accepted until 2:00 PM, Friday, February 24, 2010.

All questions should be provided in writing or by e-mail to Deron Smith, Finance Director (dsmith@colletoncounty.org). County will review all questions. Answers to questions received that would change and/or clarify this solicitation will be provided in writing to all responding firms.