

# Barrow County Board of Commissioners

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Purchasing Agent



## MEMORANDUM

**To:** Parties Interested In RFB2015-2  
**From:** Cindy Clack  
**Date:** 10/8/2014  
**Re:** RFB2015-2 – Rapid Intervention Team Packs

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RFB2015-2 is attached for your consideration. Anyone accessing this Request for Bid from the Barrow County web site is responsible to insure the latest documents are in their possession including any addenda. All addenda, questions and answers will be posted on this site. ***This site should be visited frequently to insure an awareness of any updates.***

Additional comments relating to RFB2015-2:

- ***Any specification in this RFB that appears to restrict competition should be brought to the attention of the Purchasing Agent at [cclack@barrowga.org](mailto:cclack@barrowga.org) immediately for review.***

Please insure bids are submitted exactly as specified in the RFB. If you have any questions, please submit them in writing to the Barrow County Purchasing Agent as called for in the RFB.

Thank you.



**Barrow County Board of Commissioners  
30 North Broad Street  
Winder, GA 30680**

**REQUEST FOR BID  
RFB2015-2**

**RAPID INTERVENTION TEAM PACKS  
PER SPECIFICATIONS**

**BARROW COUNTY, GEORGIA**

**OCTOBER 8, 2014**

**REQUEST FOR BID**

**RFB2015-2**

**BARROW COUNTY, GEORGIA**

Date: October 8, 2014

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this request is to provide interested suppliers with the sufficient information to enable them to submit a uniform bid for the County's review. Also, to set-forth a systematic method that will be fair and impartial to all parties concerned and to generate a response that can be equally evaluated by the County.

GENERAL:

Barrow County is in the process of securing sealed bids for fourteen (14) Rapid Intervention Team Packs per attached specifications for the Barrow County Fire and Emergency Services. Special attention should be given to the technical schedule and conditions below.

Regular Bid: Each supplier must comply with all requirements for a regular bid as directed or required by this notice. Notice is hereby given to all suppliers that if their bids are defective or irregular, the same may be rejected immediately.

Uniform Bid: To facilitate comparative analysis and evaluation of quotations, it is desired that a uniform format be employed in structuring each bid. The required format will coincide with specifications given later in this notice. The supplier's degree of compliance with the requirements of this notice will be a factor in the subsequent evaluation and award of contract for these items. All instructions are to be considered an integral part of the RFB.

Right to Reject Any or All Bids: Barrow County reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive technicalities or informalities, and to accept any bid deemed in the best interest of the county. Where two or more suppliers are deemed equal, the County reserves the right to make the award to one of the suppliers.

Firm Price: Prices quoted by supplier shall be firm prices, and not subject to increase during the schedule hereinafter set-forth and shall not include Federal or State Tax.

Right to Submitted Materials: All responses, inquires, or correspondence relating or in reference to this schedule, exhibit, and other documentation by the supplier shall be properly identified as to supplier and will become the property of the County when received. Supporting technical manuals will be returned at the request of the supplier. Selection of a suppliers bid does not affect this right.

**INQUIRIES:** Bidders **shall not** contact any members, or employees, of the Barrow County Board of Commissioners or any Barrow County Elected Officer or employee of Barrow County Elected Officer, regarding this RFB, bid evaluation, or selection process from the time the RFB is issued until the time a notification of intent to award is announced. **Questions relating to this RFB must be submitted in writing to: Cindy Clack, Purchasing Agent (email: [cclack@barrowga.org](mailto:cclack@barrowga.org)).** The deadline for submission of questions relating to this RFB shall be 5:00 p.m., Thursday, October 16, 2014. All questions submitted in writing prior to the deadline will be compiled, answered in writing and posted to the website [www.barrowga.org](http://www.barrowga.org) as an addendum to the RFB.

**SEALED QUOTATIONS:** An original (un-bound) and four copies of the bid must be submitted in a sealed envelope, addressed to Owner. Each sealed envelope containing a bid must be plainly marked on the outside with **“RFB2015-2 – Rapid Intervention Team Packs”**. If a bid is forwarded by mail, the sealed envelope containing the bid must be enclosed in another envelope to the attention of the Owner at the address previously given and also plainly marked with **“RFB2015-2 – Rapid Intervention Team Packs”**. The County will not be responsible for late mail deliveries and no bid will be accepted if received after the time stipulated by this RFB. No bid may be withdrawn or modified in any way after the deadline for RFB opening. **FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THE ABOVE INSTRUCTIONS WILL DISQUALIFY BID QUOTE.**

**PROPOSALS SHALL BE SUBMITTED TO:**  
**Barrow County Board of Commissioners**  
**Clerk’s Office**  
**30 North Broad Street**  
**Winder, GA 30680**

**EVENTS:** Sealed bids will be accepted in the Clerk’s Office, no later than **12:00 Noon, Thursday, October 23, 2014.** Bids will be opened and read aloud in the Main Floor Conference Room at 30 North Broad Street, Winder, GA 30680 at 2:00 p.m. on October 23, 2014. All bids will be evaluated and the project will be awarded, if it is awarded, within 60 days of the bid opening. These prices will be good for 60 days from this date.

**The following dates and times apply to this RFB:**

Issue Request for Bid -----October 8, 2014  
Deadline for Questions -----October 16, 2014 (5:00 p.m.)  
Bid Due Date -----October 23, 2014 (12:00 p.m.)  
Bid Opening -----October 23, 2014 (2:00 p.m.)

**DOCUMENTS:** The following documents are included in this Request for Bid:

- Memo (1 Page)
- Request for Bid (4 Pages)
- Specifications (4 Pages)
- Bid Form (1 Page)

**BID CONTENT:** Please include the following documents with your submittal (*an original unbound and four copies*):

- Bid Form (included in the RFB)
- Specification Requirement (Yes/No) Document (included in the RFB)
- Manufacturer Specifications
- Descriptive Literature

**DELIVERY TIME:** *Please advise number of days from the date of order in which delivery can be expected.*

**TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS:** The technical requirements are normally given as generic in nature, where a company's part is listed, no exceptions or substitutions will be accepted, unless stated otherwise in the RFB.

**PAYMENT:** Payment will be made Net 30 Days from date of receipt of equipment. No monies will be paid up front with the order. Bidder agrees to render invoice electronically ([payables@barrowga.org](mailto:payables@barrowga.org)). Bidder agrees to accept the Barrow County Purchase Order Form to execute the actual purchase of equipment; no other contract document will be generated for the purchase.



## Barrow County Emergency Services

### **RAPID INTERVENTION TEAM PACK SPECIFICATIONS**

#### **Intent of Specifications:**

The successful bidder agrees to provide, at their own expense, a factory trained instructor for such time as the respirator user shall require complete instruction in the operation and maintenance of the respirator. Any exceptions to these specifications must be detailed in a separate attachment. Failure to do so will automatically disqualify the bidder. The successful bidder must be a sales distributor, authorized by the manufacturer, to sell the equipment specified herein. A signed document from the manufacture confirming this must be included with the bid. The SCBA shall maintain all NIOSH standards with any of the following types of cylinders listed as provided by the SCBA manufacturer. The Emergency Air-Supply System shall comply with the strict U.S. federal guidelines of being "Made in the USA."

#### **Specific Line Item Requirements:**

Vendors must indicate compliance with these specifications on a line item basis by placing a check mark in the yes/no column corresponding to each line item. Bidders must furnish descriptive literature and complete manufacturer specifications with the submission of this documentation.

#### **Compliance Guarantee:**

Vendors answering this bid must guarantee that equipment tendered comply with all parts of this specification.

The purchasing entity reserves the right to require the bidder to submit a sample of the equipment being tendered to the purchasing entity for validation and verification that all items claimed to be in compliance are in fact true and correct. If a bidder is requested to supply a sample of the equipment being tendered for testing, the equipment shall be supplied to, and received by, the purchasing entity within one week of notice. Inability to meet the timeline provided herein shall disqualify the bidder.

**General Cylinder Requirements:**

The purpose of this bid specification is to establish the minimum requirements for an auxiliary air source to be used by Rapid Intervention Teams. The air source shall consist of the following components:

Description	Compliance	
	Yes	No
Carrying Bag (See operational requirements)		
External pressure gauge		
Audible low-pressure alarm		
Universal air connection high-pressure emergency airline that will function with any manufacturers NFPA 1981, 2002 complaint or newer self-contained breathing apparatus		
Low-pressure airline hose assembly with a low-pressure manifold that has a male and female quick disconnect and additional ports to allow the use of other SCBA manufacturer's low-pressure fittings		
RIT style face piece		
Pressure regulator		
4500 PSI / 60 minute carbon cylinder		

**Operational Requirements:**

Description	Compliance	
	Yes	No
Carrying bag material shall be a highly visible orange and resistant to heat and flame		
Carrying bag shall include reflective striping to increase visibility of the product in low-light conditions		
Carrying bag shall be equipped with a minimum of ten (10) d-rings		
Located on the top of the carrying back shall be a tool pouch		
Located on the top of the carrying bag shall be a rope pouch capable of holding 22M (75ft) of 10 mm (3/8") rope		
Shoulder strap adjustable		
Shoulder strap shall be equipped with two (2) seat belt buckles		

Shoulder strap shall be equipped with two (2) non-locking carabineers		
Carrying bag shall have three flap openings (1. High-pressure), (2. Low-pressure), & (Cylinder access)		
Tab of the low-pressure access flap shall be differentiated from the tab of the high-pressure access flap through a tactile grip that can easily be detectable while wearing gloves		
Carrying bag shall be equipped with a highly-durable, low-friction skid plate		

**External Pressure Gauge:**

Description	Compliance	
	Yes	No
Gauge face shall be luminescent for easier reading in low-light conditions		
External pressure gauge shall be equipped with pressure indicator light emitting diodes (LED): (2) green LEDs when cylinder pressure is 100% to 76%; (1) green LED when cylinder pressure is 75% to 51%; (1) amber LED when cylinder pressure is 50% to 26%; and (1) blinking red LED when cylinder pressure is below 25%. An additional orange LED shall be included to indicate low battery alarm		
LED shall be cast across the gauge face to increase readability in dark environments.		
External pressure gauge shall be powered by two (2) AA batteries		
External pressure gauge shall be tethered to the carrying bag		

**Audible low-pressure alarm:**

Description	Compliance	
	Yes	No
The air-source shall include an audible low-pressure alarm that is pneumatically activated at 25% of cylinder pressure		

**Universal Air Connection High-Pressure Emergency Airline:**

Description	Compliance	
	Yes	No
The Universal air connection (UAC) high-pressure emergency airline assembly shall be five (5) feet in length		
The UAC adapter assembly shall have a highly visible stripe on the quick-charge coupling		

The quick-charge coupling on the UAC high-pressure emergency airline shall include a rubber protective cap to protect from debris and contaminants		
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**Low-Pressure Airline Hose Assembly:**

Description	Compliance	
	Yes	No
The low-pressure airline hose assembly shall consist of a pressure reducer, a six (6) foot airline hose, and a low-pressure manifold block		
Low-pressure manifold block shall include a male airline fitting, a female socket assembly and two (2) additional ports to enable the use of multiple manufacturers' low-pressure quick disconnect fittings		
The low-pressure airline hose shall be able to accommodate an air pressure of 250 PSI		
The female socket shall be able to accommodate the "male" end of a low-pressure hose coming off the regulator that is attached to the respirator user's full face piece		
The low-pressure airline hose assembly shall be able to connect to the Scott Dual Emergency Breathing Support System (EBSS)		

**RIT Style Full Face piece:**

Description	Compliance	
	Yes	No
The RIT style shall be designed to increase the visibility of the wearer's face to the rescue team		
The face piece shall have a positioning tab on the head harness and a large d-rings on the bottom head harness adjusting straps to ease donning of the face piece on a victim by the rescue team		

**Pressure Regulator:**

Description	Compliance	
	Yes	No
The pressure regulator shall be able to connect to a RIT style full face piece		
The pressure regulator shall include a three (3) foot low-pressure hose		
The pressure regulator shall be equipped with an emergency by-pass knob		

**BID FORM**  
**(SUBMIT ONE ORIGINAL (UN-BOUND) AND FOUR COPIES)**

PROJECT: RFB2015-2 – Rapid Intervention Team Packs per Specifications

SUBMITTED TO: Barrow County Board of Commissioners

SUBMITTED BY (NAME, ADDRESS AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF COMPANY):

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Barrow County Board of Commissioners:

Having carefully examined the Request for Bid and Related Documents for RFB2015-2, and Addendum(s) \_\_\_\_\_, the undersigned proposes to furnish the following Per Specifications for the following amounts:

Equipment	Pricing	Lead Time in Calendar Days	Warranty Period*
Fourteen (14) Rapid Intervention Team Packs Per Attached Specifications	\$ _____ Each	_____ Days	_____
1 Lot Shipping & Handling (If Any)	\$ _____ Lot		
<b>GRAND TOTAL – 14 Rapid Intervention Team Packs</b>	\$ _____		

Bidder agrees to accept the Barrow County Purchase Order Form to execute the actual purchase of the equipment; no other contract document is required for the purchase. No monies will be paid up front; payment will be made Net 30 days from receipt of material.

Signed, sealed, and dated this \_\_\_\_\_ Day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2014.

Bidder: \_\_\_\_\_ (Seal)  
 (Company Name)

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Attach warranty statement.