

Addendum 3 – Questions (Date)

1. What are the approximate square miles of the geographic area that will be covered under this contract? **2.5 square miles**
 - a. The population shown by Wiki is approximately 1,000, and water meters are typically 33% of that number. Where are the additional 2,000+ meters located? **Many of the homes are rentals and the owners are not permanent residents.**
2. The RFP states that both residential and commercial meters will be replaced. What are the sizes of the water meters the Town intends to have replaced? **>99% are 3/4"**
3. Does the Town have a reading system? **Manual Read**
 - a. If yes, what is the reading system?
4. What is the existing meter brand that will be replaced? **Neptune, Hersey, Badger**
5. What is the age and primary make-up of service lines? (copper, plastic, galvanized) **Plastic**
6. Will the contractor need to identify the material of service lines? **No**
 - a. If yes, will you add a line item?
 - b. Will potholing be required to expose the service line material? **No**
7. Who takes possession of the old meters and registers? **The Town**
8. What is the Billing Software the Town is utilizing? **Incode/Tyler Technologies**
9. If the collection of GPS points is required, is 1–5-meter accuracy acceptable? **Yes**
10. Who will be providing the warehousing for the materials?
 - a. If the Contractor, will the Town provide a location to place a storage container? **Yes**
 - b. Will the contractor be paid for "stored materials"? **Not sure of the applicability of this questions, but no we would not pay for stored materials.**
11. Is the Utility Tax Exempt? **For some items yes. Refer to SC Department of Revenue.**
12. What is the material of the existing lids? **Approximately 90% are metal.**
 - a. Are there any existing holes in the lid? **Thumbholes**
13. What percentage of meter boxes are in concrete or asphalt? **Less than 10%**
14. What is the material of the meter boxes? **Approximately 90% plastic, 10% cast iron, 1% concrete**
15. What is the size of meter boxes? **10"x15"**
16. Do all settings have operable shut off valves before the meters? **Yes**
 - a. Are all valves in the meter box? **Greater than 95% are**
17. What is the procedure for any inoperable or broken valves? **Contact the Town**
18. Will we be installing any additional product, i.e. broken stop valves, dual check valves, meter lids, meter boxes, set box to grade? (Please provide specs for any materials that the Contractor will be furnishing.) **Dual check valves if not already installed (dual check valve assembly – Watts 1x3/4 LF7RIO-U2)**
19. What is the average meter depth? **Approximately 8"-10"**
20. Are the meters in setters, or are they connected with straight meter couplings? **Meter couplings**
 - a. What is the type of setter? **Curbstop-meter-backflow**
21. A bonding capacity letter is required, but is a bid bond required for the bid? **No**
22. Will performance and payment bonds be required upon award? **Yes**
23. The meter specifications state: "Meters must be constructed of brass/polymer (body and threads) only." Is the Town willing to consider meters made of composite polymer and stainless steel materials? **Yes**