

# **PUBLIC NOTICE – REQUEST FOR PRICE QUOTES SALE OF OPTICAL GLASS-CULLET SORTER**

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## **1. Overview**

The Materials Innovation and Recycling Authority (“MIRA”) is contemplating the sale of a pre-owned MSS ColorSort optical glass cullet sorter (Model GCS-384-2-S-M) (hereafter the “Optical Sorter”) from MIRA’s Recycling Facility (located at 211 Murphy Road in Hartford, Connecticut 06114) to an interested firm (hereafter “Respondent”).

The ColorSort™ is a multiple channel color detection and removal system for glass. The System utilizes optical absorption as a detection means and uses precision air jets to sort the cullet. The system comprises an electrical control enclosure and a slide assembly. The slide assembly includes an illumination system, detector array and associated electronics, air ejectors, and an air reservoir. The electrical control enclosures house the system controls, a touchscreen computer display terminal, and power supplies.

MIRA is a quasi-public entity, a body politic and corporate, created pursuant to Public Act 14-94 as a successor authority to the Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority (“CRRRA”) and pursuant to C.G.S. Chapter 446e, Section 22a-261, as a public instrumentality and political subdivision of the State of Connecticut (the "State"). MIRA has the responsibility for the planning, design, construction, financing, management, operation and maintenance of solid waste disposal, volume reduction, resource recovery facilities, and related facilities considered to be necessary, desirable, convenient or appropriate in carrying out the provisions of the state solid waste management plan.

MIRA’s Recycling Facility is operated under contract by FCR (dba ReCommunity of Hartford), hereafter the “RF Operator.”

## **2. Responses**

Respondent(s) should submit a written price quote (a “Response”) to MIRA by Wednesday, March 30, 2016 (the “Response Due Date”). Responses shall remain open and subject to acceptance for forty-five (45) days after the Response Due Date. Responses may be modified or withdrawn by an appropriate document duly executed (in the manner that a Response must be executed) and delivered to MIRA’s office at any time prior to the Response Due Date.

This notice requires that the Respondent will bear all costs of disconnection, removal, and transportation of the Optical Sorter from MIRA’s Recycling Facility to Respondent’s facility.

### **3. Additional Information**

Respondent(s) interested in obtaining more information including inspection or testing of this Optical Sorter should contact MIRA via e-mail at [rguzowski@ctmira.org](mailto:rguzowski@ctmira.org).

### **4. Conditions of Sale**

The following Terms and Conditions shall apply to this Request for Quotes and sale of the Optic Sorter.

- (a) The Optic Sorter is being sold as is. MIRA makes no warranty, expressed or implied regarding condition or performance of the optic sorter. The Optic Sorter has been maintained and periodically started to ensure it starts correctly.
- (b) If MIRA accepts a quote and consummates a sale with a Respondent via this Request For Quote, such firm (hereafter the “Successful Respondent”) shall be responsible for:
  - i. Coordinating with MIRA and the RF Operator to disconnect and move the Optic Sorter, with Successful Respondent bearing all costs of disconnecting and moving the Optic Sorter.
  - ii. Transporting the Optic Sorter from the RF to the Successful Respondent’s facility.
  - iii. Paying any applicable fees, permits, taxes, or tariffs and complying with all laws, rules and regulations associated with the purchase or transportation of the Optic Sorter to Successful Respondent’s facility.

### **5. Consummating the Sale**

The following must be completed to consummate the sale of the Optic Sorter to the Successful Respondent:

- (a) Approval from MIRA’s Board of Directors regarding acceptance of the Respondent’s quote and authorization for MIRA management to proceed with the sale.
- (b) Written notice from MIRA to the Successful Respondent indicating MIRA acceptance of the Respondent’s quote and approval from MIRA’s Board of Directors (as specified in (a) above).
- (c) Signature from all applicable MIRA officers and the Successful Respondent on MIRA Capital Disposition Form

- (d) Receipt of payment deposited in MIRA account (account number to be indicated by MIRA's CFO or his designee to the Successful Respondent) via wire transfer or check. If payment is by check, MIRA reserves the right to delay consummation of the sale until the check has fully cleared and funds are received in designated MIRA account.

While it intends to enter into an agreement with a successful Proposer, MIRA makes no guarantees that any Quote will result in a sale. Further, MIRA reserves the right to reject any or all Quotes and to complete any sale in a manner deemed to be in its best interests.

## **6. Communications With MIRA Staff and Board Members**

Except as otherwise authorized by this Request For Quotes, during the period while the Request For Quotes process is active - i.e., from the date MIRA issues the Request For Quotes until the latter of i) date the successful firm executes all required documentation to culminate the sale and takes possession of the Optic Sorter, or ii) the expiration of a Quote - firms contemplating or preparing Price Quotes are prohibited from contacting MIRA staff or MIRA Board of Director members in an ex parte manner to discuss the quote submission process. A firm's quote shall be rejected if any of the foregoing ex parte communications take place.

## **7. MIRA Reserved Rights**

In addition to the other rights in this Request for Quotes, MIRA reserves, holds and may exercise at its sole discretion, the following rights and options:

- (a) To supplement, amend, or otherwise modify or cancel this Request for Quotes with or without substitution of another Request for Quotes;
- (b) To issue additional or subsequent solicitations for quotes for the sale of the Optic Sorter;
- (c) To conduct investigations of the Respondent and their proposals;
- (d) To clarify the information provided pursuant to this Request for Quotes;
- (e) To request additional evidence or documentation to support the information included in any Quote;
- (f) To enter into discussions with one or more Respondents prior to the consummation of a sale; and
- (g) To reject any and all quotes, or parts thereof, and/or to waive any informality or informalities in any of the quotes or the solicitation process, if such rejection or waiver is deemed in the best interests of MIRA.

## **8. Quote Contents**

A Quote must consist of the following and be in the following order:

- (a) A letter, signed by the person authorized to commit the Respondent to the sale, which includes the following:

1. The name of the Respondent
  2. The Price Quote that Respondent offers to pay MIRA for the Optical Sorter;
  3. A statement that the Price Quote constitutes a firm and binding price offered by the Respondent to purchase the Optical Sorter from MIRA pursuant to all terms and conditions outlined in this Request For Quotes;
  4. A clear statement indicating that the Respondent agrees to bear all costs of disconnecting and removing the Optic Sorter, transporting the optic sorter to the Respondent's facility, and paying any applicable fees, permits, taxes or tariffs associated with the purchase or transportation of the Optic Sorter.
  5. A plan for how the Respondent intends to remove the Optical Sorter, including the time frame for removal and proposal specifying how Proponent intends to remove the Optic Sorter in a manner that will minimize disruption to the existing operation of the recycling facility.
- (b) A copy of the Proposal submitter's up-to-date certificate of insurance showing all current insurance coverage.

#### **9. MIRA's Evaluation Criteria**

MIRA will base its evaluation of price quotes received on the following criteria:

- (a) Price;
- (b) MIRA's evaluation of Respondent's plan to remove the optic sorter;
- (c) Any other factor or criterion that MIRA, in its sole discretion, deems or may deem relevant or pertinent for such evaluation.

#### **10. Quote Preparation And Other Costs**

Each Respondent shall be solely responsible for all costs and expenses associated with the preparation and/or submission of its quote, and MIRA shall have no responsibility or liability whatsoever for any such costs and expenses.