

Invitation to Metro's Request for Expression of Interest in Options to Managing the Metro Region's Municipal Solid Waste



The Parks and Environmental Service Department of Metro, a metropolitan service district organized under the laws of the State of Oregon and the Metro Charter, located at 600 NE Grand Avenue, Portland, OR 97232-2736, is inviting firms to prepare and submit responses to a Request for Expression of Interest (RFEOI) for managing municipal solid waste from the Metro region. Metro is seeking submittals from qualified, experienced and financially capable project developers and technology providers that are interested in implementing a project or facility to help Metro meet its long term goal of making the best use of the solid waste generated in the Metro region in an economically and environmentally sound manner. Metro will use the information gained in this process to identify potential partners with whom it could enter into further discussions and procurement activities leading to selection of a preferred Vendor or Developer(s) that best meets Metro's operational and fiscal objectives.

The Metro Council will be making decisions regarding the future of the region's solid waste management system. One of those decisions will be whether to pursue management of a portion of the region's waste using one or more of the following technologies: 1) Advanced materials processing for recovery of recyclables and creating feedstock for other technologies; 2) Direct combustion for energy and heat production; 3) Gasification and/or Plasma Arc gasification for energy, heat and gases and chemicals production; 4) Anaerobic digestion for methane production; and, 5) Refuse derived fuel for production of alternative solid fuel. These technologies would be used in addition to landfills which would continue to take a portion of the region's waste. This RFEOI is not seeking submittals for landfill-only options.

Metro completed an initial study of alternative methods of managing solid waste to narrow its interest to the five technologies listed above. However, the information that we reviewed was very general in nature and not specific to any vendor or developer process. We are now seeking to refine that information with real and implementable processes by seeking responses from vendors and developers of these five technologies. We want to ensure that Metro Council has as much information and perspective as possible as we strive for a system that protects people's health and the environment, gets good value for the public's money, reflects our commitment to the best use of materials, remains adaptive and responsive in managing materials now and in the future, and ensures services are available to all types of customers.

Details concerning the project and submittal will be found in our Request for Expression of Interest (RFEOI). The document will be available on the Oregon Procurement Information Network (ORPIN) on April 2, 2015. Please review all instructions, terms and conditions in this RFEOI if you are interested in responding. Submittals will be due no later than May 15, 2015. Metro will begin reviewing responses as soon as they are received.

A voluntary pre-submittal conference will be held at 600 NE Grand Avenue on April 17, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. Interested Respondents and subcontractors are encouraged to attend the conference in order to gain information about the RFEOI requirements

For more information, please contact Rob Smoot at: Rob.Smoot@OregonMetro.gov

We thank you in advance for your interest.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Paul Ehinger', is written over a horizontal line.

Paul Ehinger, Director of Solid Waste Operations

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Using ORPIN to find Metro business opportunities

ORPIN – the Oregon Procurement Information Network – is the state's #1 resource for viewing public agency contract and business opportunities.

Metro, and most state and local government agencies, use ORPIN to notify vendors of contracting opportunities, post bid and proposal documents and keep proposers up to date on opportunities and contract awards. To be notified of opportunities, vendors must register with ORPIN.

To participate, simply register and then log in to search for opportunities that match your business offerings. Vendors can also sign up for email notifications based on your field of expertise, location and business profile.

How to register with ORPIN

1. Visit the ORPIN website orpin.oregon.gov
2. Click on Supplier Registration in the left-hand menu bar.
3. Follow screen direction.

How-to guides and other resources for using ORPIN can be found at:
www.oregon.gov/DAS/EGS/ps/Pages/eprocurement.aspx

View Metro contracting opportunities

1. Login to ORPIN
2. Click on *Browse Opportunities*
3. Click on *By Organization*
4. Select *Issued by*, click *Search*
5. Click *Metro (ORCPP)*. A list of open opportunities will display.
6. Select the solicitation you are interested in for more bid and proposal documents, important dates and more information.

The bid or proposal page will open in a new screen.

The screenshot shows the ORPIN website interface. On the left is a dark green sidebar menu with options like 'Close', 'Print', 'View PDF', 'Refresh', 'Help', 'Workflow Completed', 'Maintain', 'Additional', 'Notice Specific Information', and 'Actions'. The main content area displays a notice for 'RFB 2799 Generator Services' issued by Metro. A blue callout box points to the 'Notice # RFB 2799 GENERATOR SERVICES' and its dates. Another blue callout box points to the 'Attachments Exist' section. A third blue callout box points to the 'View PDF' link in the sidebar. The notice details include contact information for Karen Slusarenko and a notice summary about generator services for the Oregon Zoo. Delivery requirements and payment terms are also listed.

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