

**REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS # 2025-084**  
**PFAS Testing Services**  
**RESPONSE ADDENDUM #1**  
**May 1, 2025**

**QUESTIONS**

1. Do you have an anticipated number of samples to be tested for each matrix and what the period of performance for this contract would be

ANSWER: In 2025, we expect to have approximately 270 plant tissue samples (varying composition – leaves, stems, grain), 160 soil samples, 72 samples of manure digestate, 36 samples of the liquid fraction of manure digestate, and 12 water samples (blanks). This number may increase or decrease. A second analytical laboratory will receive 10 plant tissue and 10 soil samples for interlaboratory comparison.

2. The scope of work currently requires EPA Method 1633 for soil, plant, manure and water samples. This method is applicable to non-potable water but not drinking water. Do you have a need for PFAS in Drinking Water as well? These samples are normally analyzed by EPA Method 533 up to 25 Compounds or EPA Method 537.1 up to 18 compounds. If you do have a need for these will the RFQ allow us to submit a response for just these methods?

ANSWER: We do not have a need to analyze drinking water samples, just non-potable water samples.

3. Could you please advise where we can find Appendix D - References? This is listed in Section 3.2.2 Section 2 - Submission Materials. The RFQ document ends on Page 14 which is Appendix C.

ANSWER: References are not required for this RFQ submission. The reference to references in section 3.2.2 is incorrect.

4. How many samples would each analytical laboratory expect to receive and analyze each year? Would they be received in batches of 10 to 20 samples?

ANSWER: See answer to question #1. The samples would be received in batches of various numbers but generally not exceeding 70 at a time.

5. Are there specific selection criteria for evaluating the proposal?

ANSWER: This is a Request for Qualifications and based on the submissions, respondents will either be determined to be qualified or not qualified. Qualified vendors may be selected for future contracting at the discretion of the University.

6. What type of data delivery is required? Level IV data packages in pdf format with electronic data deliverables (EDDs)? Any other format?

ANSWER: At a minimum, the lab will supply Level II reports in pdf format with electronic data deliverables (EDDs).

7. In the RFQ it mentions that a Master Agreement template has been included as Attachment A however, we were unable to locate this document on the website or within the RFQ. Can you provide us with that template?

ANSWER: This has been posted as Attachment A.