

Freese and Nichols is soliciting Statements of Qualification (SOQ), including estimated costs, for environmental laboratory analytical testing services in support of a City of Krum Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) Sludge Lagoon Closure Project. The selected firm shall be capable of providing analytical testing for various environmental media (i.e., soils, sludge, water). The selected laboratory must have current TCEQ National Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Program (NELAP) accreditations for the requested analytical services. **Submit SOQ, estimated costs, and additional information indicated below by e-mail to Kim Buckley, Freese and Nichols, Inc., at kmb@freese.com, no later than 12:00 p.m. Tuesday, January 26, 2016.** Responses received after this date and time will not be considered.

This contract is subject to the Environmental Protection Agency’s (EPA) “fair share policy,” which includes EPA-approved “fair share goals” for Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) & Women Business Enterprise (WBE) firms in the Construction, Supplies, Equipment, and Services procurement categories. EPA’s policy requires that applicants and prime contractors make a good faith effort to award a fair share of contracts, subcontracts, and procurements to Minority Business Enterprise and Women-Owned Business Enterprise firms. Although EPA’s policy does not mandate that the fair share goals be achieved, it does require applicants and prime contractors to demonstrate use of the six affirmative steps. The current fair share goals for the State of Texas are as follows:

	<u>MBE</u>	<u>WBE</u>
Construction	12.94%	8.72%
Equipment	7.12%	5.39%
Services	10.84%	5.72%
Supplies	9.68%	9.34%

In addition to the SOQ and estimated costs, provide the following information:

1. Business name and point of contact
2. Business address
3. Telephone number
4. E-mail address
5. MBE/WBE Status
6. Copy of MBE and/or WBE certificate, if applicable

Scope of Services:

1. Provide sample kit(s), as requested, in advance of field work; receive and log all samples under proper chain of custody procedures; perform analytical services as indicated on the chain of custody and estimated in Item 2 below in accordance with TCEQ Texas Risk Reduction Program standards; and prepare original analytical reports for all data analysis, inclusive of laboratory quality control reporting.
2. It is estimated that the following analytical services will be requested for a total of five (5) soil samples, two (2) sludge samples, and three (3) water samples.
 - a. Total Metals (Arsenic, Cadmium, Chromium, Copper, Lead, Mercury, Molybdenum, Nickel, Selenium and Zinc)
 - b. Nutrients (Total Kjeldahal Nitrogen, Ammonium-Nitrogen, Nitrate-Nitrogen, extractable phosphorus, extractable potassium, extractable sodium, extractable magnesium, extractable calcium)
 - c. General Chemistry (soluble salts/electrical conductivity and soil water pH)