

BEWARE OF PHISHING MESSAGE – RE: Bid Amendment Notification – Bid #...

It has come to our attention that some vendors may have received a message from bid.info@phila.gov regarding a bid amendment. The City of Philadelphia (City) did not send this message. In the message is a link that starts “<http://bit.ly...>” and brings you to a site not affiliated with the City. We suggest that you exercise caution when entering your personal information into any system.

The City considers this email message a phishing scam. A phishing attack occurs when a fraudster tries to trick you into sharing personal information online. The scam attempts to lure vendors into taking certain actions, including visiting a fraudulent website to input personal information and/or to download malicious programs. Other messages request that the vendor remit payments and provide remittance information within the body of the message in the form of a routing and account number. **If you clicked on the link and entered your email address and password, it highly recommended that you change that information on any website for which you currently use that same login information.**

Please note: The City does not send bid amendments from our bid.info@phila.gov email address. Further, the City Procurement Department does not use or link to any web addresses starting with “<http://bit.ly...>”.

If you have any questions regarding any email sent by any phila.gov email, please contact our customer service desk at 215-668-4720.

EXAMPLE

From: Procurement Department [<mailto:bid.info@phila.gov>]
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 8:38 AM
Subject: Bid Amendment Notification - Bid # MDHGC31031744

A formal bid amendment notification request has been sent to you by the City of Philadelphia Procurement Department. Please login using your login ID and password to the procurement centre file sharing site at <http://bit.ly/2pcUYp8> Once logged in, open formal bids are listed in the Open Bids section of the home page. Select the appropriate Bid # to view and acknowledge the bid amendment. **FAILURE TO ELECTRONICALLY ACKNOWLEDGE BID AMENDMENTS WILL RESULT IN YOUR QUOTE BEING REMOVED FROM CONSIDERATION FOR AWARD.**

NB: If your browser won't allow you to view the bid documents, Look out for our next email with an alternative link to view all open bids.

The information from the request is below:

Bid Header

Requesting Department: HGCP - HGC- PROCUREMENT

Buyer Name: City of Philadelphia Procurement Division

Buyer Phone: (215)686-4720

Buyer Email: bid.info@phila.gov

Bid Number: MDHGC31031744

Opening Date/Time: 04/28/2017 10:00:00 AM

Available Date/Time: 04/20/2017 07:30:00 AM

Bid Amendment Number: 2

Regards,

Procurement Department

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