ADDENDUM #1 FOR SOLICITATION
LIQUID CHROMATOGRAPHY – TANDEM MASS SPECTROMETER (LC-MS/MS)
THIS ADDENDUM NO. 1 ISSUED: SEPTEMBER 23, 2025

This Addendum No. 1 serves to address questions submitted by vendors interested in the Invitation for Bid (IFB) issued by OWASA. The purpose of this addendum is to provide a response to that inquiry.

Addendum No. 1 is now an official part of the Contract Documents and amends the original Bidding Documents dated September 15, 2025.

All bidders are required to acknowledge receipt of Addendum No. 1 in their bid submissions. Failure to do so may result in the rejection of the bid.

INVITATION FOR BID SUBMITTAL DEADLINE

The bid submission deadline remains unchanged, and bids will be accepted until **Wednesday, October 8, 2025, at 2:00 PM ET.**

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Question 1:
Does OWASA prefer a specific brand?

Answer:
No. OWASA does not require or prefer a specific brand. The specifications are intended to describe the minimum functional and performance requirements of the instrument. Any manufacturer's product that meets or exceeds these specifications will be considered. (In other words, "or equal" equipment is acceptable.)

Question 2:
Can a vendor submit more than one proposal?

Answer:
Yes. Vendors may submit separate bids for more than one brand/model, provided each bid independently demonstrates compliance with the specifications. Each will be evaluated on its own merits against the published requirements for the lowest responsive, responsible bid.

CLARIFICATION ON MULTIPLE BIDS
If a vendor chooses to submit more than one bid, each bid must be: • *Complete and stand-alone, with all required forms, certifications, pricing, and technical documentation.* • *Clearly labeled to identify the manufacturer/model being offered.* • *Submitted separately in accordance with the submission instructions of the solicitation (not combined into a single document).* *This requirement ensures that each bid can be independently evaluated and documented, and avoids ambiguity about which forms, certifications, or pricing apply to each offer.*

End of Addendum