



Aaron Smith
Career & Tech. Ed. Coordinator
201 N. Forest Avenue
Independence, MO 64050
(816)521-5299 X10051
Fax (816)521-5601

Surface Grinder, 13" Lathe and CNC Milling Machine Request for Proposal

Proposal Due:

September 6, 2016

9 am

The Independence School District's questions received for bids regarding the Surface Grinder, 13" lathe and CNC Milling machine.

1. Due to the following facts

Machine Tools are normally manufactured to meet customer's needs once an order is received; as yours will be with specific items such as digital readout, micro crossfeed, etc. Manufacturers, such as Clausing Industrial, attempt to shorten the delivery time by ordering their Machines from overseas and stocking attachments so they can provide the customer a better delivery schedule than ordering anew. Currently Clausing has (2) CSG2A618 Surface Grinders and (5) 8027J Lathes in Stock in Kalamazoo, Michigan that can be configured to meet your required specifications. These are for sale to everyone in the USA. With the International Machine Tool Show in Chicago from September 12-17, 2016, these Stock Machines will probably be sold. I have spoken to Clausing about "holding" them for us but without a purchase order number they will not. The Lathes are ordered each month while the Surface Grinders are not. Should the Surface Grinders in Stock be sold we will have a 12 to 14 week delivery; as we did last year.

Will we keep in place the \$100/day penalty for not installing the equipment before Oct. 28th?

Answer: The Independence School District installed that provision to insure that our equipment and payment was completed by Dec. 2016. This is due to a grant we are receiving

to pay for these machines. If there is a manufacturer's back-log or a delay caused by such back-log, we will work with the supplier and waive the \$100/day penalty.

2. Please explain what you want shown on the 'Cost/Credit for removal' item on the bid sheet.

Answer: The credit would be any amount that would be deducted from the total bid for the two pieces of machinery being removed and replaced (surface grinder and lathe). If there will be no credit to remove (whether through a 3rd party or not), then there will automatically be the cost to remove them due to the fact the new equipment will be placed where the old is currently. That line would remain 0 then and the cost to remove them would be part of the overall bid to supply and install those two pieces. This does not affect the CNC milling machine as it is not replacing anything.