



CENTRAL OFFICE BIDS AND AWARDS COMMITTEE

**BID BULLETIN NO. 3
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**PROCUREMENT OF 120 ML SHRINK BANDED VESSELS WITH SODIUM THIOSULFATE
IB NO. 2024-055**

This Bid Bulletin is being issued to respond to the letter of the Prospective Bidder (PB) for the above-cited procurement project. This Bid Bulletin shall form an integral part of the bidding document. Listed below are the corresponding modifications/changes:


1. Letter from the PB:

PB	Requirement	Query	EUA's Response
Metro Drug, Inc. (MDI)	<p>Section VII: Technical Specifications</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 120 ml water sample container/vessel with 100ml fill line 2. Contains 0.01% Sodium Thiosulfate (Na₂S₂O₃) to neutralize at least 15mg/L Chlorine in the 100 mL sample. 3. Sterile screw-top cap with transparent and wide-mouth plastic bottle. 4. With tamper-evident shrink band or equivalent and protects the entire perimeter from possible contamination. 5. Disposable 6. Made of Polyethylene or Polystyrene material 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As the shrink banded vessels are intended for water quality monitoring, the product's <u>performance accuracy and reliability must be established.</u> Therefore, we request to add the following approvals and standard inclusions in the list of technical requirements to assure the Department of Health will receive the items of best quality and compliant with standards. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Sodium Thiosulfate content can neutralize a 100 ml sample with up to 15mg/L chlorine per Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater section 9060A.2. 2. Volume lines around the entire 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No changes. Retain all the provisions.

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		<p>perimeter meet U.S. EPA accuracy guidelines.</p> <p>3. Fill line accuracy is within $\pm 2.0\%$, which meets critical volume requirements as presented in ISO 8199:2018, section 5.3</p> <p>4. Lot sterility done in accordance with ISO 11137-02 (Sterilization of health care products – Radiation – Part 2: Establishing the sterilization dose) with post-irradiated product has a minimum sterility assurance level (SAL) of 10^{-3}</p>	

All other provisions indicated in the bidding documents which are not affected shall remain in force and in effect.

For guidance and information of all concerned.


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