

Quick Guide S3: Viewing a Negotiation Before Responding

Sourcing Supplier

Viewing Negotiations

- View negotiations before you acknowledge participation, or create a response.
- Search for and select the negotiation you wish to view.
 - Click on the negotiation number link.

Negotiation Header



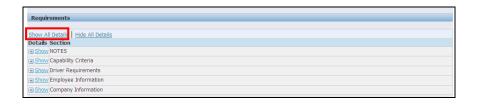
- The negotiation type and number are displayed in the top left corner.
 - o For example RFQ (Request For Quote), RFI (Request For Information).
 - Note: The process is the same for each negotiation type.
- **Time left** the time left before the negotiation closes.
- Open Date the date and time after which you can submit your response.
- Close Date the date and time by which you must have submitted your response.
 - o Responses cannot be submitted after the close date and time.

Quote Style

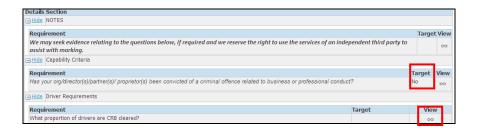
- Blind buyers can view quotes once submitted by the supplier.
- Sealed the buyer cannot see quotes until after the close date and time and the negotiation is unlocked.

Outcome

- Standard Purchase Order a one-time purchase.
- Blanket or Contract Purchase Agreement a contract for future purchases.
- Terms if this is a blanket or contract purchase agreement, the date range and value of the contract will be shown.



- Requirements are used to request information from a supplier.
- The information provided will typically be used to shortlist suppliers.
- Click the 'Show All Details' link to view the requirements.



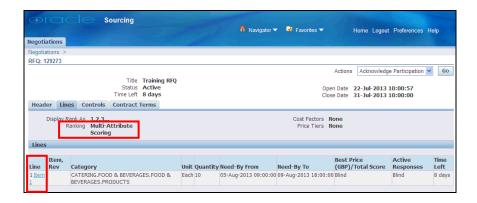
- A target answer for the requirement may be shown in the Target column.
- Click on the view icon to see if the requirement is display only, optional or mandatory.



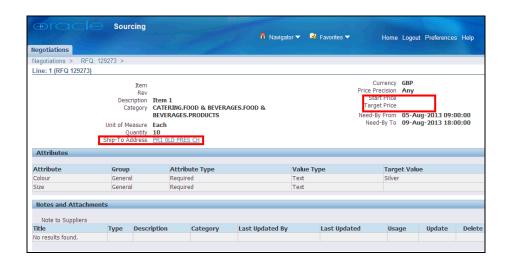
Click on an attachment title to view.

Lines

Click on the 'Lines' tab at the top of the page.

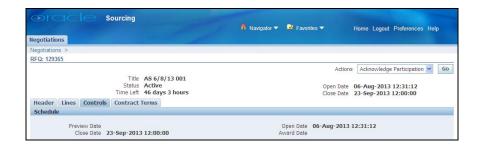


- Please note; line information may not be displayed for an RFI.
- Ranking identifies if the line information you provide will be scored on 'Price Only' or 'Multi Attribute Scoring'.
 - Multi Attribute Scoring line attributes relating to one or many lines that you must respond to. Your responses are scored.
 - Line attributes are questions, additional information or requirements relating to the item.
 - Price Only line attributes may be displayed or requested for information only. Your attribute responses are considered but not scored.
- View the items, the number of units and the dates the items are required.
- Click on the 'Line' description to view additional information, including line attributes and attachments.



- **Ship To Address** the address the items should be delivered to or are required at.
 - Click on the link to view the full address.
- Start Price if specified, all responses must be equal to or below this.
- Attributes required for this line item are displayed.
- Notes and Attachments view, if displayed.
- Click on the 'Return to RFQ' link at the bottom of the screen to return to the negotiation.

Controls

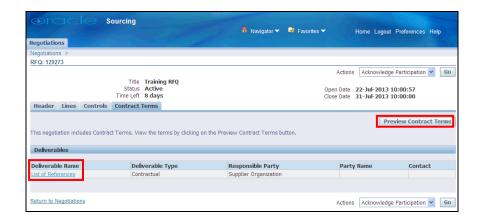


Schedule

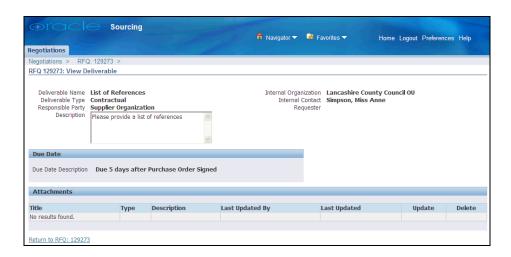
- Preview Date date and time after which the negotiation can be viewed, but a response cannot be submitted until the Open Date.
 - o If not displayed, a response can be submitted immediately.
- Open Date date and time after which eligible suppliers can participate.
- Close Date the date and time when the negotiation will be closed.
 - Please note; the system does not allow the negotiation to be re-opened once closed. No further responses can be accepted after this date and time.
- Award Date if displayed, the date and time the buyer anticipates announcing the successful supplier.

Contract

• Click on the 'Contract Terms' tab at the top of the page.



- The contract terms page allows you to preview the contract terms and view deliverables associated with the negotiation.
- Click on the 'Preview Contract Terms' button to view the contract.
- If deliverables are shown, click on the 'Deliverable Name' to view.
 - Deliverables are additional requirements a buyer may request of a supplier; these may be additional pieces of documentation.



- The deliverable required and the associated due date are displayed.
- Click on the 'Return to RFQ' link at the bottom of the screen.

- You may now:
 - o Acknowledge Participation (if invited to participate),
 - o Create a Response, or
 - o Create an Online Discussion if you have any queries.

If you need further assistance please call the Customer Service team on: 0300 1236710.