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April 15, 2021

ADDENDUM NO. 2
TO PREQUALIFICATION APPLICATION
FOR GENERAL CONTRACTORS SEEKING TO BID ON
SOUTH COUNTY RECYCLED WATER PIPELINE
SHORT-TERM PHASE 1B/2A/1C/2B PROJECT
Project No. 91094009 Contract No. C0668

Notice is hereby given to Prospective Bidders that Prequalification Application document is modified as hereinafter set forth.

PREQUALIFICATION APPLICATION

SECTION 5. CONTRACTOR PREQUALIFICATION QUESTIONNAIRE

1. **REPLACE** the paragraph under **Comparable Projects** in PART IV. Comparable Project Experience with:

“Provide the following information for **6** comparable projects that your company has completed within the last **10** years.

The qualifying Contractor can submit the same project that accounts for a combination of two or three categories (welded steel pipe, HDPE, and Microtunneling) and will be considered as a comparable project experience for multiple categories. For example, if one (1) project is composed of a welded steel pipe, HDPE, and microtunneling, that will be considered as three (3) different comparable project experience.”

2. **REPLACE** (Addendum No. 1) Item 3.b in PART IV. Comparable Project Experience with:

“b. The qualifying Contractor may utilize a subcontractor’s project experience to meet the microtunneling requirements. If the qualifying Contractor chooses to utilize a Subcontractor’s project experience to meet these requirements, the qualifying Contractor shall submit resumes that indicate the following qualifications of the Subcontractor’s staff are met:

- 1) Managerial and Supervision: Each jacking shift shall be supervised by at least one person with previous experience in microtunneling work and meet the qualification requirements. Managerial and Supervisor shall have a minimum of 10 years of experience in microtunneling in similar ground conditions.
- 2) Microtunnel System operators for each shift shall be experienced personnel with prior knowledge and ability in the proper operation of the systems being employed and meet the qualification requirements. Operators shall have a minimum of 5 years of experience operating microtunnel systems in similar ground.
- 3) **A maximum of two (2) microtunneling subcontractor can be used.**

The qualifying Contractor must submit the same subcontractor utilized on this Prequalification Application to the bid package. If a qualifying Contractor listed a different subcontractor in the bid package, the bid shall be considered Non-Responsive.”

GENERAL QUESTIONS & RESPONSES

QUESTION 1: (Date Received: April 12, 2021)

Are we able to submit multiple subcontractors for the micro piling qualifications to ensure competitive bids?

RESPONSE 1:

See Item No. 2 of Addendum No. 2.

QUESTION 2: (Date Received: April 12, 2021)

I'm wondering what constitutes an "original letter" from our CPA?

RESPONSE 2:

An original letter, with audited financials, including an original CPA cover letter, along with an electronic signature of the CPA firm.

QUESTION 3: (Date Received: April 12, 2021)

We have original audited financials with an original CPA cover letter, but the signature itself is the firm's signature, and not someone's personal signature. Would this suffice?

RESPONSE 3:

Yes, original audited financials with an original CPA cover letter, along with the firm's signature fulfills this request.

QUESTION 4: (Date Received: April 12, 2021)

If Valley Water is indeed requiring an original wet signature, our CPA firm requires the CPA firm itself to send in sealed financials directly to Valley Water, instead of sending in financials with our prequalification package. Upon asking our CPA firm for an original letter, they have stated that since they are not sending the original financials themselves, they would be unable to provide a secondary letter stating that something is "true and correct" because they

aren't there to see what we (the Contractor) are providing the agency. Will the agency allow CPA firms to send financials directly to Valley Water?

RESPONSE 4:

Valley Water requests a copy of the original audited CPA financials, along with an original CPA cover letter, including the firm's signature. An original wet signature is not necessary. All documents should be received in one Prequalification Application submittal package.

QUESTION 5: (Date Received: April 12, 2021)

Part IV. Comparable Project Experience asks for 6 comparable projects, two welded steel pipe, two HDPE, and two using the microtunneling installation method. Can a submitted project be counted towards multiple categories if it included more than one work type? If so, can a contractor meet the minimum requirements with five (5) total submitted projects?

RESPONSE 5:

See Item No. 1 of Addendum No. 2


QUESTION 6: (Date Received: April 12, 2021)

In regards to PART V. Required Attachments and Enclosures, the original opinion letter provided by an Independent CPA is sent to us via email with an electronic signature (not a wet signature). Please confirm that this is acceptable or if we need to provide an additional letter with a wet signature.

RESPONSE 6:

This is acceptable, no additional letter with wet signature required.

THIS ADDENDUM NO. 2, WHICH CONTAINS 3 PAGES, IS ATTACHED TO AND IS A PART OF THE PREQUALIFICATION APPLICATION FOR THIS PROJECT.

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Date: 4/15/2021

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