



BRUNSWICK-GLYNN COUNTY JOINT WATER & SEWER COMMISSION

January 29, 2024

**PROJECT: INVITATION FOR BID NO. 24-006 ACADEMY CREEK RAS & UV
UPGRADES**

ADDENDUM: ONE (1)

DUE DATE: WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2024 - 12:00PM, NOON

**THIS ADDENDUM IS FOR THE PURPOSE OF MAKING THE FOLLOWING
CHANGES AND CLARIFICATIONS:**

- 1) QUESTION: Was there a pre-qualification event for this project that would prohibit prospective bidders from submitting a bid?**

ANSWER: No pre-qualification process was conducted for this solicitation. If your firm has performed this type of plant rehab work/installation previously, you are considered qualified. The engineering team may ask for project references from the low bidder if they are not familiar already with your work or firm.

- 2) QUESTION: The specifications state that this project is being funded, but we do not see any minority goals or forms. Is this a DBE project?**

ANSWER: No specific percentage goals for DBE participation have been set. However, we will adhere to the Uniform Guidance in our procurement standards as project owner and prime contractor roles. As a general practice, our solicitation process already contains elements of the affirmative steps including our mailing list including DBE and small qualified businesses within the applicable work categories for our projects.

3) **QUESTION: Does this project require Buy American?**

ANSWER: This is covered under section 200.322, Domestic Preferences for Procurements of the Uniform Guidance, linked here: <https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-2/section-200.322>

4) **QUESTION: Does this project require Davis-Bacon wages?**

ANSWER: It is anticipated that the funding for this project (from ARPA CPF Funds) will be less than the \$5M threshold that has been set by the awarding agency. If for some reason this will exceed this \$5M threshold, it would either be Davis-Bacon implementation or providing a quarterly Project Employment and Local Impact Report with the requirements outlined in this document.

5) **QUESTION: Would the JWSC consider moving the due date for this solicitation to February 22 or later?**

ANSWER: No, the date for this solicitation will not be extended. Please submit your bids no later than Wednesday, February 7, 2024 at 12:00PM, Noon. Late bids will not be accepted.

6) **QUESTION: What is the engineers estimate for this project?**

ANSWER: The estimate for this project is approximately \$3.5M.

7) **QUESTION: Section 43.23.31 – Horizontal Centrifugal Chopper Pumps: Reference paragraph 1.1B.4 Section 26.05.93 Common Motor Requirements for Process Equipment is not included in the manual. Is the motor for the RAS pumps to be supplied based on the motor information included in Section 43.23.31?**

ANSWER: Yes. Disregard reference to Section 26 05 93.

8) **QUESTION: How many extra copies are required to be submitted with the bid?**

ANSWER: Please submit one (1) original hardcopy of the bid along with one (1) USB electronic copy. Additional hardcopies are not necessary.

9) **QUESTION: Would Cri-Man be considered an approved equal for pumps for this project?**

ANSWER: BGJWSC declines to approve Cri-Man as equal.

10) **QUESTION: On reference Drawing E-102, Note 9; this note indicates that thermistors are to be provided in the RAS pump motors. Please confirm that thermistors are to be supplied and not thermostats.**

ANSWER: Thermostats shall be used in the RAS pump motors. Disregard mention of thermistors.

- 11) QUESTION:** In the plans, S-613 and D-614 seem to show different elevations. Please advise.

ANSWER: S-613 and D-615 show the correct elevation. Please see attached revised drawings.

- 12) QUESTION:** The electrical panel looks to be feeding only 4.6kVA to the PDCs. Please advise.

ANSWER: See revised Electrical Drawings.

- 13) QUESTION:** Bid Form footer shows a different project name and is listed as Addendum 3. Is a corrected Bid Form expected to be issued?

ANSWER: See revised Bid Form.

- 14) QUESTION:** Item 7.c of Bid Form calls for Bidder's Qualification Statement to be attached with the bid. Bidder's Qualification Statement is not included with the bidding documents. Does the Contractor need to provide their own qualification, and if so please provide minimum qualification requirements.

ANSWER: Please submit the following with your final sealed bid: Bid Form, Bid Bond, Representative Statement/Non-Collusion Statement, and GA E-Verify. A link to these documents can be found at the solicitation website, <https://www.bgjwsc.org/invitation-for-bid-no-24-006-ras-uv-upgrades-for-academy-creek-wwtp/>.

- 15) QUESTION:** Article 11.1 of ITB indicates each bid must be accompanied by a list of Subcontractors, Suppliers, Individuals, or Entities proposed for those portions of the Work for which such identification is required. Such list shall be accompanied by an experience statement with pertinent information regarding similar projects and other evidence of qualification for each such Subcontractor, Supplier, Individual, or Entity. Would owner consider only listing subcontractors and suppliers on bid day and okay to submit subcontractors experience post award by successful bidder?

ANSWER: Listing subcontractors only is acceptable, however, the Bidder must provide/request GA E-Verify paperwork from any subcontractors.

- 16) CLARIFICATION:** X-423 note 2; disregard reference to electrical drawings. Existing VFDs removed shall remain property of the owner.

- 17) CLARIFICATION:** Slide gates shall be Stainless Steel instead of aluminum construction.

18) QUESTION: Is the intention for Vaughan to be the Base Bid MFR for 2 and the other named manufacturers being the Alternate MFR for 2A?

ANSWER: Yes.

19) QUESTION: D-613 calls for the reuse of existing Gate, SG5300, at the 48" SE pipe penetration connection in the UV Area. Can you please confirm that this gate is operational and does not to be modified/rehabbed by the Contractor?

ANSWER: Confirmed gate is currently operational.

20) QUESTION: There appears to be one Radar Level, one UV SCADA Panel (See Question below.), and some SCADA Integration required to be provided under this Contract. Can you please provide a list of approved System Integrators, or is the SCADA Integration to be provided under a separate contract?

ANSWER: System Integrator shall be Electrical Machine Control, Inc. Trussville, AL: Contact Hunter Holmes (205-661-399); James Denton (205-910-834)

21) QUESTION: E-103 & I-601 call for a new UV SCADA Panel with Remote I/O (Briefly mentioned in the Process Control Narrative – 40 70 23). Can you please provide detailed panel information and/or panel specification?

ANSWER: Panel shall be provided to meet BGJWSC standard requirements. Contact System Integrator for additional information: Electrical Machine Control, Inc. Trussville, AL: Contact Hunter Holmes (205-661-399); James Denton (205-910-834)

22) QUESTION: The Technical Specifications include Sections 40 73 13 (Pressure & Differential Pressure Gauges), 40 73 26 (Gauge-Pressure Transmitters), 40 73 63 (Diaphragm Seals), and 40 73 64 (Annular Seals). These instruments appear to be called out only on the Instrumentation Details, I-901. There does not to appear to be any new scope required for these Specifications in this Contract. Please advise if these Specifications are required, and if so, where are the instruments located?

ANSWER: No new scope required for these Specifications is in this Contract.

23) QUESTION: Can the JWSC please provide the part number for the specific VFD to be used on this project?

**ANSWER: Drives should be Danfoss VLT Aqua Drives - 30HP NEMA 4X
Part# FC-202P22KT4P66H2XGCXXXXXXXAQBXCXXXXDX**



All applicants under this Invitation for Bid are kindly requested to acknowledge receipt of this Addendum in original only.

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT
ADDENDUM: ONE (1)**

DATE: _____

The above Addendum is hereby acknowledged:

(NAME OF BIDDER)

Signature

Title