

BRUNSWICK-GLYNN COUNTY JOINT WATER & SEWER COMMISSION

February 25, 2025

PROJECT: INVITATION FOR BID NO. 25-006 Exit 29 Water Production Facility & Elevated Storage Tank – DIVISION II RE-BID

ADDENDUM: TWO (2)

DUE DATE: Thursday, March 6, 2025 - 12:00PM NOON

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

**Please note...the documents for this project, including plans/drawings that are posted on the project website, <u>https://www.bgjwsc.org/itb-no-25-006-exit-29-waterproduction-facility-elevated-storage-tank-division-ii-re-bid/</u> should begin with 2025-01-28. Please do not use documents with a date of 2025-01-23.

1) QUESTION: Invitation to Bid – requires 1 original, 1 copy, and 1 electronic (USB or CD copy) to be submitted. The electronic submittal will be difficult to accomplish as we do not receive final pricing until moments before the bid deadline, which does not leave enough time to transfer and organize data on an electronic device. An electronic bid submittal can be provided post bid. Can the JWSC confirm an electronic bid submittal is not required to be submitted with the hard paper copy and can instead be provided post bid?

ANSWER: The electronic USB or CD copy of the bid MUST be provided at the time of the bid opening as part of the completed, sealed bid package. Complete bid packages must be received by the BGJWSC Office of Procurement no later than 12:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 6, 2025.

2) QUESTION: Invitation to Bid states that one original and one electronic copy is to be submitted. Instructions to Bidders, Item 15 states one original Bid, one duplicate, and one electronic copy is to be submitted. Can the JWSC confirm that bidders are to submit one original Bid, one duplicate, and one electronic copy?

ANSWER: One original bid, one duplicate (hard copy), and one electronic copy is to be submitted at the time of the bid opening.

3) Addendum #1 states that the Bidder is to acknowledge receipt of this Addendum "in original only". Can the JWSC confirm that Addenda Acknowledgement is only required to be made on the Bid Form and to acknowledge "in original only" does not mean to attach a copy of the Addenda Acknowledgement page?

ANSWER: The bidder is to acknowledge receipt of the Addendum on the bid form AND is to attach a copy of the Addenda Acknowledgement page to the bid.

4) QUESTION: Can the JWSC confirm the budget for this project?

ANSWER: The Contractor should provide their best estimate for cost of the project as related to the project plans provided.

5) QUESTION: Is this project subject to any American Iron and Steel or other domestic material procurement requirements? If yes, can the specific requirements and or references be provided?

ANSWER: This project is not subject to these requirements.

6) QUESTION: Is this project subject to any Build America, Buy America, or other domestic material procurement requirements? If yes, can the specific requirements and or references be provided?

ANSWER: This project is not subject to these requirements.

7) QUESTION: Is this project subject to any Buy American, American Iron and Steel or other domestic material procurement requirements? If yes, can the specific requirements and or references be provided?

ANSWER: This project is not subject to these requirements.

8) QUESTION: Is this project subject to any prevailing wage rates?

ANSWER: N/A. There are no wage rates applicable to this project.

9) QUESTION: Is a building permit required for the elevated tank?

ANSWER: The contractor is responsible for obtaining all pertinent county and building permits and ROW permits. This includes all fees, modifications, and coordination with Glynn County. The contractor is also responsible for notifying Glynn County when particular tests are being conducted as required by these permits. 10) QUESTION: If a building permit is required, will the associated permit and review fees be waived?

ANSWER: Please refer to Question 9 of this addendum.

11) QUESTION: If a building permit is required and the Contractor is to pay all associated fees, can a fee schedule be provided so Bidders can include appropriate costs within the bid pricing?

ANSWER: Please refer to Question 9 of this addendum. Contractor is responsible for scheduling and coordination.

12) QUESTION: Due to the nature of tank erection work and the travel distance for our field personnel, working weekends is advantageous for the project from both a cost and schedule perspective. This is true even if the work allowed on the weekends is restricted to non-inspected work. Can the JWSC confirm that *SATURDAY* work will not be restricted?

ANSWER: Work on Saturdays should be restricted to non-inspected work and must comply with Glynn County Ordinances concerning noise restrictions. The tank site is adjacent to a residential area, and due care and concern should be given to limiting disturbance to the residential area. Should there be significant complaints from the adjacent areas, the JWSC, at its discretion, may restrict weekend work out of respect to our customer base.

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ANSWER: Work on Sundays should be restricted to non-inspected work and must comply with Glynn County Ordinances concerning noise restrictions. The tank site is adjacent to a residential area, and due care and concern should be given to limiting disturbance to the residential area. Should there be significant complaints from the adjacent areas, the JWSC, at its discretion, may restrict weekend work out of respect to our customer base.

14) QUESTION: Can the JWSC confirm that the Owner will pay all Electrical Utility Company costs and fees required to establish permanent power to the Project Site?

ANSWER: Bidder shall incorporate the costs of coordination, and any fees associated with securing final permanent electrical services to the proposed construction in the lump sum prices of their respective bid.

15) QUESTION: If the Owner will not pay all Electrical Utility Costs, can a cash allowance be established to ensure all Bidders include the same Scope of Work and the Owner pays only the cost of the work?

ANSWER: No allowance will be added for this work. This shall be included in the lump sum price.

16) QUESTION: Section 33 16 13, Item 2.3 D.2 states the tank roof is to be domed. This is one specific manufacturer detail. Our standard roof construction is conical in shape, not domed. Either option will minimize snow accumulation and water ponding, and both are acceptable per AWWA D107 standards. The specification states than an approved individual tank roof design is acceptable. Can the JWSC confirm that a conical roof design is approved?

ANSWER: An approved individual tank roof can be acceptable if they are proprietary in design. Tank manufacturers are responsible for guaranteeing functional, reliable, and safe tank design that conforms to AWWA standards. All design shall be sealed and stamped by a structural engineer licensed in the State of Georgia

17) QUESTION: Drawing C3.2 – The proposed 12" water line is shown to tap the existing 12" water main. Can the JWSC confirm the Owner will isolate existing water main for the waterline tap?

ANSWER: The use of a tapping sleeve and valve is to allow the water main to remain active during construction. It is not anticipated for Owner to isolate the main for the connection portion of work.

18) QUESTION: Drawing C3.2 – The plan notes indicate the proposed 12" water line to tie in to the existing 12" water main. Can the JWSC confirm there are no work or hour restrictions of the water line tie-in?

ANSWER: For tying into the water main, Contractor shall comply with work hours stated in Contract Documents, Special Conditions, 2.3.

19) QUESTION: Regarding fence detail, can you confirm black vinyl or galvanized for materials? Details show different options

ANSWER: Fence shall be black vinyl coated.

20) QUESTION: Can the bid due date be pushed 2 additional weeks?

ANSWER: Bid due date will not be adjusted at this time.

21) QUESTION: Actual construction days – how many days? When do we have to start?

ANSWER: Per Article 4 of General Conditions: Contract Times must commence within 60 days of Bid Opening OR 30 days after Effective Date of Contract. Whichever date is sooner. Contractor shall have 540 calendar days until Substantial Completion and 600 calendar days until Final Payment, from Notice to Proceed, per article 12 in Instructions to Bidders.

22) QUESTION: Tree Clearing – please confirm detail on tree/site clearing

ANSWER: Tree protection shall be used to the greatest extent possible, per sheet EC2.3. Pertaining to tree/ site clearing, Contractor shall consult specification section 31 10 00 for site clearing notes, however, Contractor shall be the sole responsible party for means and methods of construction per the General Conditions.

23) QUESTION: Weather days – how do you handle those in general?

ANSWER: Contractor shall submit letter documenting actual weather days used, as justified by NOAA's data with each pay application. As we near substantial completion, Contractor may apply for a change order for contract extension, citing bad weather days in excess of Exhibit B – Foreseeable Bad Weather Days in Supplementary Conditions, per the contract.

24) QUESTION: Scheduling/meetings – is there an intent to hold a joint meeting between the contractors of each division? Is that needed to confirm schedules or will JWSC PM handle this?

ANSWER: Coordination between contractors of Div I, Div II, and Div III is not foreseen to be required for Contractor of Division II to complete his/her work. If Division II Contractor determines that coordination will be required, he/she shall be responsible for such coordination.

25) QUESTION: Project management – will the same manager handle all three (3) divisions of the project.

ANSWER: Thomas & Hutton will be responsible for construction administrative services for all 3 divisions of this project. Each stage of the project will also have JWSC staff oversight.

26) QUESTION: Can we share how we would fund any shortfall in bid amounts received vs. posted project budget? Is your posted budget the real budget? (We need to confirm what budget number was posted on the State Registry website for the original solicitation and this re-bid) It was expressed that the posted budget may be lower than needed to successfully complete project. It was expressed this was one reason tank contractor did not submit bid.

ANSWER: It is the intent of the JWSC to fund the project.



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

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT ADDENDUM: TWO (2)

DATE:_____

The above Addendum is hereby acknowledged:

(NAME OF BIDDER)

Signature

Title