



**2014 METER REPLACEMENT PROGRAM
REQUEST FOR COMPETITIVE SEALED PROPOSALS**
Solicitation Number: B-14-015-DD
Job No.: 14-4003 and 14-4304

ADDENDUM #2
June 6, 2014

This addendum, applicable to work referenced above, is an amendment to the proposal and specification documents and as such will be a part of and included in the Contract. Acknowledge receipt of this addendum by entering the Addendum number and issue date on the space provided in submitted copies of the proposal.

MODIFICATIONS TO THE SPECIFICATIONS

1. Invitation for Competitive Sealed Proposals – Proposals will not be accepted from any company not represented at the mandatory pre-proposal meeting held May 23, 2014 at 1:00 p.m. The following list is a record of the represented firms:

Corix Water Products
Frontline Support Solutions
Grid One Solutions
HD Supply Waterworks
Pronto Sandblasting
San Antonio Constructors, Ltd.
Thielsch
XtraLight/Utility Metering Solutions

RESPONSES TO QUESTIONS

1. **Can you provide more detail (or maps) on the specific areas selected for the 2014 Meter Replacement Program? Are they all within a specific region of the service territory?**

Yes, maps will be provided to the selected contractor. The meters in question are in specific meter reading routes within the SAWS/former Bexar Met service territory.

2. **For the 2013 deployment, we assigned .6 FTE for each installer to go ahead of their assigned installers to clean and level the pits. Do you anticipate the pit conditions for this deployment being similar to those assigned last year?**

Yes, SAWS would anticipate similar conditions as to those experienced in the previous three (3) years of the Meter Replacement Program.

3. **Is there an estimate for the number of meter box replacements and cleaning & leveling of the pits should be included within the quoted installation prices?**

Coordination with the SAWS Project Manager/Inspector will need to occur so that replacement of these meter boxes will occur if authorization is given. It is anticipated that less than 5% of the total number of meters replaced will require a new box and/or lid. Yes, SAWS will provide these materials.

- 4. Please confirm that the box replacements and cleaning & leveling of the pits should be included within the quoted installation prices?**

Yes, pricing should be inclusive.

- 5. Regarding Bexar Met, what is the average age and/or condition of the infrastructure piping?**

No information can be provided at this time. However, the meters will be at least 15 years of age or older. So, the piping will be at least that old as well.

- 6. What percent of accounts within the Bexar customer database are estimated to contain errors?**
a. What percent of accounts are estimated to contain meter number mismatch errors?

It is anticipated that less than 1% of accounts will contain errors. Verification of mismatched meter information can be verified with the SAWS Project Team at the time of replacement.

- 7. What criteria or methodology will be used in selecting the meters to be replaced?**

The eligible meters to be replaced are identified as any meter older than 15 years in areas that have a high number of eligible meters.

- 8. Will the accounts issued for meter replacement be complete routes? No.**

- a. If not, can you please provide the anticipated minimum density per route? (i.e. what percent of the route will be assigned to the installation contractor?)**

It is anticipated that the minimum density per route will be 62% or greater.

- 9. Will the assigned routes be geographically contiguous?**

No. However, careful attention will be given so that the project is phased by geographical territories.

- 10. Please provide percentage estimates for the types of service line material in each area? (i.e. copper, galvanized, lead, PVC)**

- a. SAWS**
b. Bexar

SAWS does not currently have this information available.

- 11. What percent of the meters will have PVC on the City side in each area?**

- a. SAWS**
b. Bexar

SAWS does not currently have this information available.

- 12. For each area, how many meter boxes may be located in roadways?**

- a. SAWS**
b. Bexar

SAWS does not currently have this information available.

13. What percent of the assigned meters will be hard to access in each area?

- a. SAWS
- b. Bexar

SAWS does not currently have this information available.

14. Can you please provide the estimated percentage of meter pits expected to have debris that will require removal and cleaning for each area?

- a. SAWS
- b. Bexar

SAWS does not currently have this information available.

15. Do you have an estimated percentage of meter pits expected to require leveling for each area?

- a. SAWS
- b. Bexar

SAWS does not currently have this information available.

16. Price Proposal Sheets, item no. 11, Maintain, Clean, & Adjust Meter Pit Boxes to Grade:

- a. Is the pricing requested for this work based on accounts where the installation vendor will not be performing meter exchanges?

Yes.

- b. Please provide the estimated quantity for each meter size by area.

- i. SAWS
- ii. Bexar

SAWS does not currently have this information available.

- c. Will any of this work be performed in confined spaces? If so, please provide the quantity for each area.

- i. SAWS
- ii. Bexar

No confined space entry locations have been identified. Locations in question should be coordinated with SAWS Project Inspector/Project Manager.

17. Price Proposal Sheets, item no. 10, Relocation of Meter Service:

- a. Who is responsible for the shut-down? Will SAWS be responsible for turning off the curb stops or will the contractor be able to freeze the lines to install new valves?

SAWS does not allow "freezing" of the water lines to isolate water service. The contractor is responsible for the shutdown. Should there be a need to shut down a water main, further coordination with the Project Inspector/Project Manager will be required.

- b. Are there curb stops just outside the customer property line?

The placement of the curb stop varies.

18. Page PR-2, 1.1, Attentive Care: The Installation Vendor shall operate the customer valve to verify its successful operation, prior to the installation of new equipment, and shall take a construction photograph of the site.

- a. We typically do not operate customer valves during the exchange, please confirm the installation vendor will now be required to perform this function.

Yes, verifying customer valves, if presently available, will be required.

- b. What is the process to follow if the customer valve is dilapidated or in a condition that indicates breakage will occur if operated?

Coordination with the SAWS Project Inspector will be required.

- c. If replacement is required, should this cost be included within the meter installation rates?

Yes, pricing should be included.

- i. If so, please provide the estimated quantity of customer valve replacements.

SAWS does not currently have this information

19. Would it be possible to extend the due date until Wednesday, June 18, 2014?

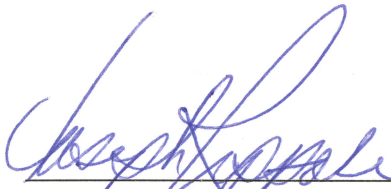
The proposal opening date will remain the same.

20. Can you provide me with who won the contract last year and the bid price entries?

Contract award information may be found on SAWS website at the following link:

http://www.saws.org/business_center/ContractSol/Drill.cfm?id=725&View=Yes

The bid tabulation for projects solicited through the Request for Competitive Sealed Proposal method are not available on SAWS' website and can only be obtained through an open records request.



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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT BY RESPONDENT

Each Respondent is requested to acknowledge receipt of this Addendum No. 2 on the Price Proposal and by his/her signature affixed hereto and to file same as an attachment to his/her proposal.

This undersigned acknowledges receipt of this Addendum No. 2 and the proposal submitted herewith is in accordance with the information and stipulations set forth.

Date

Signature of Respondent

END OF ADDENDUM