



SAN ANTONIO WATER SYSTEM
Addendum No. 1
To
Construction Documents
For
2016 PIPELINES WATER & SEWER CONSTRUCTION PACKAGE III
SAWS WATER JOB NO. 16-5011
SAWS SEWER JOB NO. 16-5511
Solicitation # CO-00085

To Bidder of Record:

This addendum, applicable to the work designed above, is an amendment to the bidding documents and as such shall be a part of and included in the Contract. The original contract documents and any prior addenda remain in full force except as modified by the following that shall take precedence of any contrary provisions in prior documents.

1. PRE-BID ATTENDANCE LIST:

The attendance list for the October 3, 2016, Non-Mandatory Pre-Bid Meeting held at 10 A.M. in room CR-C145 is reproduced below.

| Company Name |
|------------------------|
| 1. BRL NDT Services |
| 2. Atlas Construction |
| 3. AJAQ Plumbing |
| 4. SAC, Ltd. |
| 5. Pronto Sandblasting |

2. BIDDING AND CONTRACT DOCUMENTS CHANGES:

- A. Invitation to Bidders – Modify paragraph 5 of the Invitation to Bidders, sheet IB-1, to read “Sealed bids will be received by the Contract Administration Division, 2800 U.S. Hwy 281 North, Customer Center Building, Suite 171, San Antonio, Texas 78212, until 12:00 PM (CT), October 11, 2016. Bids will then be publicly opened and read aloud by Contract Administration, in CR-C169, Customer Center Building, 2800 U.S. Hwy 281 North, San Antonio, Texas. Note: SAWS security policy requires all visitors to check in at the guard station prior to proceeding to suite 171. Therefore, allow sufficient time to ensure that your firm’s bid is submitted prior to the deadline. Each bid must be accompanied by a cashier's check, certified check, or bid bond in an amount not less than five percent of the total bid price.”
- B. Instructions to Bidders – In paragraph 5(d) on sheet IB-2, replace “SMWB Program Manager, Marisol V. Robles, at 210-233-3420” with “SMWB Specialist, Susan Rodriguez, at 210-233-2950, susan.rodriguez@saws.org.
- C. Supplemental Conditions – Remove the entirety of the “Supplemental Conditions” sheets SS-1 to SS-3, and replace with the attached “Supplemental Conditions” sheets SS-1 to SS-3.

- D. Workers' Compensation Insurance Coverage Exhibit "A" – Delete the entirety of the Section entitled "Workers' Compensation Insurance Coverage Exhibit "A"" sheets WA-1 to WA-3.
- E. Statement of Bidder's Experience – Replace the following (last) sentence of paragraph: "One of the successfully completed projects for water and one successfully completed sewer project must include a 24-inch main", with "One of the successfully completed projects for water and one successfully completed sewer project must include a 12-inch to 24-inch main"

3. RESPONSE TO BIDDERS QUESTIONS:

Q1: In Reference to the proposed Bid times posted; Will SAWS consider changing the bid opening time to the following, which is congruent to past bid solicitations?

October 11, 2016 Pkg I 10:00am
 Pkg II 11:00am
 Pkg III 2:00 pm

This should be to SAWS benefit when considering compliant respondents at the most competitive bid; as a contractor may only have the resources to fulfill a single contract. Bidding two packages simultaneously prevents him from bidding as he may get both contracts. As well, 15 minute intervals between will not allow time to make any adjustments. The bid opening itself will take 10 minutes. I believe by remaining congruent with past Bid openings for similar type contracts will allow SAWS the best bid results possible.

A1: The bid opening time has been modified in the Invitation to Bidders section as part of this Addendum.

Q2: The 12 general locations provided by SAWS showing the 2017 street maintenance projects is very helpful. Will SAWS provide similar information for proposed Alley Work? Any general locations and information would be helpful.

A2: A map of alley project locations is unavailable at this time.

Q3: On the water bid items 126w, 127w & 69w (leak repairs). Is it SAWS intention to only utilize these items if a contractor is working or a work order is in close proximity to a water leak? In other words is it SAWS intention to disperse a work order just to repair a water leak? SAWS already has service and leak repair packages in effect for this scope of work.

A3: The bid stated bid items will be strictly utilized for leak repairs within the project's limits of construction, in association with other bid items within each package. However, for Package II, this question relates to bid items 123w, 124w, and 69wa. Leak repairs would be anticipated to be in areas where work is already taking place, and leaks are discovered in existing water mains during the execution of proposed water and sewer work.

Q4: On page GC17, 4.8 Suspension of work by Owner. This paragraph allows the owner to suspend work for up to 10 cumulative days with no contract time extension or compensation allowable to the contractor, at SAWS discretion. Will this condition apply only to the overall contract or per Work

Order? If per Work Order and there are 10 Work Orders given over the contract time, that would allow SAWS to stop work for 100 days, correct?

A4: As described in General Conditions, Section 4.8 – SUSPENSION OF WORK BY OWNER, the 10 cumulative days applies to the “entire Contract Time.”

Q5: The specifications for packages I, II and III were prepared by different engineers. Is the language identical in all three packages?

A5: Each Package may have differing language, bid items, etc.

Q6.1: What is the anticipated award date?

A6.1: It is anticipated that the contracts will be awarded at the SAWS November Board meeting.

Q6.2: What is the anticipated Notice to Proceed date? I am trying to establish if any work will be started in 2016.

A6.2: Notices to proceed will be issued after the negotiation and execution of each work order. It is anticipated that work orders will be issued in January of 2017.

Q7: In the Statement of Bidders Experience Requirements it specifies a contractor must have completed a 24” sewer main and a 24” water main in the last 5 years.

On page SC-7 Special Conditions it contradicts this qualification requirement stating within the last 10 years the contractor must have installed at least 1000LF of sewer main with a minimum of 8 inch pipe and a maximum of 24” size.

These are conflicting statements, which supersedes the other? The Special Condition 10 year time frame is congruent to similar bid packages SAWS has solicited in the recent past regarding qualification requirements.

I have constructed 42 inch, 48 inch and 54 inch sewer lines for SAWS, but not in the last 5 years. I have been the low bidder on seven of the bid packages previously in which all of them had bid items for 24” sewer included. None of them had the 5 year specification qualification requirement. Please let us know if the Special conditions supersedes the Statement to Bidders requirement.

A7: The Statement of Bidders Experience calls for three (3) completed water or sewer open-cut projects with a minimum diameter of 8-inches and a maximum of 24-inches in diameter. One (1) of the three projects must have included the open-cut installation of a 24-inch water or sewer pipeline.

The Special Conditions experience qualifications requirement, on page SC-9, requires that the contractor show three (3) completed water or sewer open-cut projects within the last ten (10) years with a minimum 8-inch diameter and a maximum of 24-inch diameter. One (1) of the three projects must have included the open-cut installation of 12-inch to 24-inch water or sewer pipeline.

Both statements require that the example projects have been completed within the last ten (10) years. Neither section supersedes the other; however, as a clarification the Statement of Bidders Experience has been amended to include that one (1) of the three example projects must have included the open-cut installation of 12-inch to 24-inch water or sewer pipeline. Reference Section 2.E of this Addendum for the formal change.

Q8: If a work order is given for Alley work and the project is 3 blocks long, will all work included in this Work Order be paid for under the appropriate Alley work bid items only?

A8: *Yes.*

Q9: Are all three of these contracts actually going to bid within 15 minutes? Atlas does not need all three contracts, however, we definitely want one or two of them.

If there is no time to adjust our proposals, we could easily win all three, and just as easily lose all three contracts.

We always adjust our proposals lower, to ensure a winning bid, so it is to SAWS advantage to allow at least an hour or two for adjustments.

A9: *The bid opening time has been modified in the Invitation to Bidders section as part of this Addendum.*

Q10: There are two items for the Bypass Pumping described as 864-S1 one is Bypass Pumping-pump and Haul Bypass Pumping System and one for Bypass Pumping - Stationary Bypass pumping system.

Can we get a more defined explanation on these two items, please?

A10: *Specification 864-S1 primarily describes the elements of Bypass Pumping Stationary Bypass pumping system, which is the standard usage of said bypass system. However, the specification gives the contractor the option to utilize a pump & haul system (Bypass Pumping – Pump and Haul Pumping System) and describes the requirements for use of said system. Bid items associated with both systems will need to be priced, but when a work order is issued the system to be utilized is at the contractor’s discretion as long as the specification is met.*

Q11: Regarding Bypass Pumping Bid Items, Can this item be bid by duration to base the length of bypass? Bid item is too broad.

A11: *No, the bid item will be paid per each setup.*

Q12: Is there anyway these (bid proposal) can be put on excel?

A12: *We cannot convert the current Bid Proposal into Excel at this time. We are, however, looking at possibly doing this for future solicitations.*

Each bidder is requested to acknowledge receipt of this Addendum No. 1 by his/her signature affixed hereto and to file same as an attachment to his/her bid.



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The Undersigned acknowledges receipt of this Addendum No. 1 and the bid submitted herewith is in accordance with the information and stipulation set forth.

Date

Signature of Bidder

END OF ADDENDUM