NOTICE INVITATION TO BID TO METROPOLITAN WATER RECLAMATION DISTRICT OF GREATER CHICAGO FOR

FURNISH AND DELIVER UNINTERRUPTIBLE POWER SUPPLIES TO THE KIRIE AND EGAN WATER RECLAMATION PLANTS

CONTRACT 17-611-21

PROPOSALS ARE DUE OCTOBER 31, 2017

Sealed proposals, endorsed as above, will be deposited in the sealed bid depository located in the lobby of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District Administration Building, 100 East Erie Street, Chicago, Illinois 60611, from the date of the Invitation to Bid, up to 11:00 A. M., on the bid opening date, and will be opened publicly by the Director of Procurement & Materials Management or her designee at 11:00 A. M. on October 31, 2017

NO BIDS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER 11:00 A.M. ON THE ABOVE-SCHEDULED BID DATE. ALL BIDS FAXED, OR ELECTRONICALLY TRANSMITTED TO THE METROPOLITAN WATER RECLAMATION DISTRICT OF GREATER CHICAGO WILL BE RETURNED TO THE BIDDER. PROPOSALS TRANSMITTED BY U. S. MAIL OR OTHER DELIVERY WILL BE CONSIDERED ONLY WHEN SAID PROPOSALS ARE IN THE DEPOSITORY AT THE TIME FIXED OF OPENING THEREOF. THE METROPOLITAN WATER RECLAMATION DISTRICT OF GREATER CHICAGO DOES NOT GUARANTEE THAT THE PROPOSAL RECEIVED BY MAIL OR OTHER DELIVERY WILL BE DEPOSITED IN THE DEPOSITORY IN TIME FOR SUCH OPENING.

Tenders are invited to furnish and deliver three new uninterruptible power supplies for the Kirie and Egan Water Reclamation Plants.

The estimated cost of this Contract is \$60,000.00.

The Contract is divided, for purposes of bidding, into two Items. Bidders must submit bids for both Items or the bid will be rejected as non-responsive. The Metropolitan Water Reclamation District intends to issue one Purchase Order to one bidder for all the equipment to be furnished.

Specifications, proposal forms and/or plans may be obtained from the Department of Procurement & Materials Management, Room 508, 100 East Erie Street, Chicago, Illinois 60611, Monday - Friday, between 8:45 a.m. and 4:15 p.m. Documents will be mailed in response to a fax request (#312/751-3042). Specifications, proposal forms and/or plans may also be downloaded online from the District's website, www.mwrd.org. No fee is required for the contract documents.

The District assumes no responsibility for documents sent through the mail. Further, the District assumes no liability or responsibility for the failure or inability of any Bidder to successfully download any and all contract documents, including but not limited to specifications, proposal forms and/or plans, as a result of any type of technological computer and/or software system failure or breakdown that restricts, prohibits or prevents successful downloading of any and all District contract documents by the Bidder, whether caused by the District or other parties, directly or indirectly.

Proposals must be submitted on proposal forms. Proposal forms are to be placed in the special envelope furnished by the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago. If proposal forms are downloaded online, the Bidder is responsible to submit the complete set of contract documents. This volume is to remain intact. The Bidder shall place the complete set of contract documents in a sealed envelope clearly marked as follows:

Sealed Bid Depository, MOB Lobby Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago 100 E Erie Street Chicago, Illinois 60611 Proposal For: Contract #17-611-21

Failure to submit the complete set of contract documents as specified may render the bid non-responsive and the bid may be rejected.

Bidders are to include with their proposal signed copies of any addenda, or acknowledge receipt of any addenda, if the District issued any addenda to this contract. Failure to do so may be cause for the rejection of any bid. If bidding documents are available online, any addenda issued for this contract will be available online at the District's website, <u>www.mwrd.org</u> Addenda will also be mailed, delivered, or faxed to each person receiving a set of such contract documents and to such other prospective bidders as shall have requested that they be furnished with a copy of the addenda.

The proposal must be accompanied by a bid deposit in the form of cash (us currency only), cashier's check, certified check, or bid bond, as stated in the bidding requirements and instructions to bidders contained in the contract documents.

The bid deposit for this Contract is \$3,000.00.

Bidders should read page G-4, under Interpretation of Contract Documents, in regards to questions on this contract.

Any potential bidder with questions regarding the meaning of any part of the specifications or other bidding documents should submit such inquiries online at the District's website, www.mwrd.org, under the "Contracts and Proposals" section of the website. The District will provide an online response to such inquiries, as the District deems appropriate. Strings of appropriate questions and answers regarding the bidding documents will be available online on the District's website until the bid opening date of the bidding documents. No questions will be accepted by telephone, fax, email, mail, or any other such form of delivery.

The District does not guarantee the timeliness of responses provided online, nor does the District guarantee that such responses will be provided in adequate time to affect the submission of bids. The District shall provide responses online ONLY if the responses do not interpret or otherwise change the bidding documents.

The District's responses online are NOT official responses and, therefore, are not binding to the bidding documents. Any official interpretation or change to the bidding documents will be made only by addenda duly issued to all plan holders on record by the Director of Procurement and Materials Management.

The District will only respond to questions received online up to ONE WEEK prior to the bid opening date of the bidding documents. The District will not respond to questions received after this date.

The contact person for this contract is Mr. Syama Pappu. This Resident Engineer will provide online responses to online inquiries.

The Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago reserves the right to reject any or all Proposals.

Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

By Darlene A. LoCascio Director of Procurement and Materials Management