I-1 NOTICE INVITATION TO BID TO

METROPOLITAN WATER RECLAMATION DISTRICT OF GREATER CHICAGO

FERC RELICENSING FOR LOCKPORT POWERHOUSE

CONTRACT 25-RFP-06

The Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago ("District") requests proposals from any prospective Proposer for the above captioned subject which is described in document 25-RFP-06.

PROPOSALS ARE DUE JANUARY 16, 2026

Proposals, endorsed as above, will be submitted to the District via an electronic upload to the Euna Portal only. See "Submission Via the Euna Portal" section for instructions. Proposals will be accepted from the date of the Invitation to Bid, up to 11:00 A.M. Central Time ("CT"), on January 16, 2026. Bids will be deemed non-responsive if not submitted using the project-specific Euna URL link provided by the District with the bidding documents.

No bids will be accepted after 11:00 A.M. CT on the above scheduled due date. Faxed, mailed, emailed, or hand delivered proposals will not be accepted. There is no Bid Depository safe for this purpose.

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) relicensing for the Lockport Powerhouse work includes, but is not limited to, preparing the Notice of Intent (NOI) and an Initial Consultation Document (ICD)/Pre-Application Document (PAD), Support Stage Consultations, Environmental Studies, preparation and distribution of draft and final license applications, consultation with relevant agencies and conducting follow-up meetings with FERC. The current FERC license was issued November 2, 2000 and will expire November 30, 2031. Services will start upon award of the purchase order until the reissuance of the new FERC license by or before November 30, 2031. The Proposer is responsible for thoroughly examining and knowing the Lockport Powerhouse site, facility, and adjacent/affected premises conditions to successfully obtain a reissued/renewed FERC license.

The estimated cost for these services is \$2,000,000.00 over a six (6) year period (\$375,000.00 per year in years 2026 to 2030 and \$125,000.00 in year 2031.) There is no bid deposit required to submit a Proposal. Funding of all RFP items is subject to the Board of Commissioners' approval of the budget for each year of the RFP.

Copies of the Request for Proposal are only available online from the District's website at www.mwrd.org (DOING BUSINESS → PROCUREMENT & MATERIALS MANAGEMENT → CONTRACT ANNOUNCEMENTS). No fee is required for the Request for Proposal documents. Any questions regarding the downloading of Request for Proposal documents should be directed to contractdesk@mwrd.org or call (312) 751-6643.

The District assumes no liability or responsibility for the failure or inability of any Proposer to successfully download any and all RFP 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 RFP documents by the Proposer, whether caused by the District or other parties, directly or indirectly.

Proposers 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 RFP. Failure to do so may be cause for the rejection of any bid. Bidding documents are available only online, and any addenda issued for this RFP will be available online at the District's website, www.mwrd.org (Doing Business-Procurement and Materials Management-Contract Announcements). Addenda will also be emailed/faxed to each person receiving a set of such RFP documents and to such other prospective Proposers who have requested that they be furnished with a copy of the addenda.

If any potential Proposer contemplating to submit a proposal is in doubt as to the true meaning of any part of the specifications or other RFP documents, such inquiry should be submitted online at the District's website, www.mwrd.org. The path is as follows: Doing Business-Procurement and Materials Management-Contract Announcements. 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 will only respond to questions received online ONE WEEK prior to the date set to receive proposals. The District will not respond to questions received after this date. 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 must 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 Resident Engineers for the request for proposal are Arturo Hernandez, Principal Engineer, at (708) 588-3171, and John Kargbo, Senior Engineer, at (708) 588-3499. The Resident Engineers will provide online responses to online inquiries.

The District reserves the right to accept any Request for Proposal or any part thereof or to reject any and all Request for Proposals.

Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

By Darlene A. LoCascio Director of Procurement & Materials Management

DATE OF ADVERTISEMENT: Wednesday December 3, 2025