

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

TRUCK SCALE REPLACEMENT AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS

CONTRACT 24-695-22 (RE-BID)

PROPOSALS ARE DUE APRIL 29, 2025

Sealed proposals, endorsed as above, will be submitted to the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago ("District") via an electronic upload to the Bonfire Portal only, from the date of the Invitation to Bid, up to 11:00 A.M. Central Time ("CT"), on the bid opening date, and will be opened publicly by the Director of Procurement and Materials Management or her designee at 11:00 AM CT on April 29, 2025. The public cannot attend but can view the bid opening at <https://mwrdd.org/bid-opening>.

No bids will be accepted after 11:00 A.M. CT on the above scheduled bid opening date. All bids faxed, mailed, emailed, or hand delivered will not be considered and will be returned to the Bidder. There is no bid depository safe available for mailing or hand delivering bids. The District will only accept bids electronically uploaded to the Bonfire portal (please see instructions on how to upload the bid response on pages Bonfire-1 and Bonfire-2). Please see specific instructions on how to upload your bid to the Bonfire portal in the bid document entitled "Submission via the Bonfire Portal." The Bonfire link is unique to each solicitation. Bids will be deemed non-responsive if not submitted using the project-specific Bonfire URL link provided by the District with the bidding documents.

Specifications, proposal forms and/or plans may be obtained from the Department of Procurement and Materials Management by downloading online from the District's website at www.mwrdd.org(Doing Business → Procurement & Materials Management → Contract Announcements). No fee is required for the Contract Documents. Any questions regarding the downloading of the Contract Document should be directed to the following email: contractdesk@mwrdd.org or call 312-751-6643.

Tenders are invited to furnish all necessary labor, supervision, tools, equipment, materials and appurtenances, including transportation, to remove and replace District truck scales at the Stickney Water Reclamation Plant (SWRP), the Lawndale Avenue Solids Management Area (LASMA), and at the Calumet Solids Management Area (CALSMA) East-Side Drying Site and at the CALSMA West-Side Drying Site. Work under this contract includes, but is not limited to, the demolition and removal of the existing scales, the complete and fully functional installation of the new scales, all concrete and electrical work, the setup of all instrumentation and ancillary components, and full site inspection and testing. Work shall commence on or about May 15, 2025, or upon approval of the Contractor's Bond whichever occurs later, and terminate twenty-four (24) months thereafter for Group A, and by December 31, 2026 for Groups B and C.

The Contract is divided, for purposes of bidding, into three (3) groups. Bidders may submit a bid for any group, or combination of groups, as set forth in the Proposal. When submitting a proposal for any group or combination of groups, the Bidder must bid on every Item in that group or the bid for that group will be considered non-responsive. For any group not bid, the Bidder shall insert "NO BID" in the appropriate place. The District reserves the right to award a Contract or Contracts to any Bidder or Bidders for any group or combination of groups as it may deem to be in the best interest of the District to do so.

The estimated cost of the work under this Contract is as follows:

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| Group A – Stickney Water Reclamation Plant (SWRP): | \$ 595,000.00 |
| Group B – Lawndale Avenue Solids Management Area (LASMA): | \$ 180,000.00 |
| <u>Group C – Calumet Solids Management Area (CALSMA) E & W:</u> | <u>\$ 280,000.00</u> |
| TOTAL FOR ALL GROUPS: | \$ 1,055,000.00 |

There is no bid deposit for this Contract. A Contractor's bond will be required. Please refer to the CONTRACTOR'S BOND section in the Agreement of this Contract document, for additional information about this requirement.

Funding of all Contract items is subject to the Board of Commissioners' approval of the District's budget for all years under this Contract.

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.

If any potential Bidder contemplating to submit a proposal is in doubt as to the true meaning of any part of the specifications or other Contract 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 → (Find correct project) → Ask a Question. 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 up to ONE (1) WEEK prior to the bid opening date of the bidding documents. 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 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.

Bidding documents are only available online, and all addenda issued for this contract will be available online at the District's website, www.mwrdd.org. The path is as follows: Doing Business → Procurement and Materials Management → Contract Announcements. A copy of such addenda will also be emailed/faxed to each person which downloads a set of such contract documents.

Failure on the part of the prospective Bidder to receive a written interpretation prior to the time of the opening of bids will not be grounds for withdrawal of proposal.

MULTI-PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENT

Prior to award of the Contract, the lowest responsible Bidder must demonstrate compliance with the District's Multi-Project Labor Agreement by submitting to the Director of Procurement and Materials Management a signed Certificate of Compliance with the Multi-Project Labor Agreement. The Agreement and Certificate of Compliance are contained in the Contract Documents.

The Contractor agrees to comply with the terms and conditions of the District's Multi-Project Labor Agreement (MPLA) which is a part of the Contract. **It is understood that to comply with the Illinois Weights and Measures Act (225 ILCS 470) the scale must be installed by a person, firm or corporation with a certificate of registration. Therefore, any work directly related to the installation of the scale including all scale components must be done by certified scale technicians. Any work in support of the installation of the scale, including hoisting, concrete work, and demolition, shall be done by signatory trades.**

Bidders are **STRONGLY URGED** to inspect all areas of the work sites prior to bidding, in order to familiarize themselves with the nature of the work and the method of accomplishing the same. To schedule an appointment to inspect the work sites, prospective Bidders may contact the Resident Engineer respective for each Group: Ms. Melissa Montgomery at (708) 588-3406 for Group A, and/or Mr. Robert Podgorny at (708) 588-4303 for Group B and/or Mr. Andrew Gierut at (773) 256-3704 for Group C, between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 3:00 P.M., Monday through Friday.

The contact person for this Contract is Mr. Raphael Frost. Mr. Frost will provide online responses to online inquiries.

Bidders should read page R-2, paragraph 6, in regards to questions on this Contract.

All Contracts for the Construction of Public Works are subject to the Illinois Prevailing Wage Act (820 ILCS 130/0.01 et seq.)(the "Act"). Note that submission of certified payroll records when requested by the District's Affirmative Action Administrator in accordance with Section 14(b) of the District's Affirmative Action Ordinance (if applicable), does not relieve a contractor of its obligation to submit certified payroll records to the Illinois Department of Labor pursuant to the Act.

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

Metropolitan Water Reclamation District
of Greater Chicago

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Director of Procurement
and Materials Management

Chicago, Illinois
April 9, 2025