

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

**HIGH TEMPERATURE EPOXY PIPE COATING AT THE KIRIE WATER
RECLAMATION PLANT**

CONTRACT 25-722-11

PROPOSALS ARE DUE JUNE 17, 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 AM Central Time (CT), on the bid opening date, and will be opened publicly by the Director of Procurement and Materials Management or designee at 11:00 AM CT on June 17, 2025. The public cannot attend but can view the bid opening at <https://mwrld.org/bid-opening/>.

No bids will be accepted after 11:00 AM 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.

Tenders are invited to furnish all necessary labor, supervision, tools, equipment, appurtenances, and materials, including transportation, required to spray in place a high temperature epoxy coating on a 100-foot section of 8-inch ductile iron pipe on the supply air piping to the grit building at Kirie Water Reclamation Plant, 701 West Oakton Street, Des Plaines, Illinois 60018. The Contract shall commence upon approval of the Contractor's Bond and shall be completed within ninety (90) calendar days after the Engineer gives official notice to begin, or by December 31, 2025, or upon expenditure of available funds, whichever occurs sooner.

The estimated cost of the work under this Contract is \$80,000.00.

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

The Contract is divided, for purposes of bidding, into two (2) Items. Bidders must submit a bid for all Items as set forth in the Proposal, or the bid will be rejected as non-responsive. The District intends to award one (1) Contract to one (1) Bidder for all the work to be performed.

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 for additional information about this requirement.

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.mwrd.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@mwrd.org or call 312-751-6643.

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.

Bidding documents are only available online, and all addenda issued for this Contract will be available online at the District's website, www.mwrd.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.

Bidders shall acknowledge receipt of each addendum issued in the space provided on the Proposal signature page or submit a signed copy of each addendum with the Bidder's Proposal at the time and date set to receive bids.

Any Proposal which indicates multiple or alternate bids will be deemed non-responsive and will be rejected by the Director of Procurement and Materials Management.

Proposals shall conform to all the terms and conditions of the Bidding Requirements attached hereto. Failure to submit the required documents as specified may render the bid non-responsive and the bid may be rejected.

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 phone, 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.

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.

The contact person for this Contract is Mr. John Harty. Mr. Harty will provide online responses to online inquiries.

Prior to award of the Contract, the lowest responsible Bidder MUST demonstrate compliance with the MWRDGC Multi-Project Labor Agreement by submitting to the Director of Procurement and Materials Management a signed Certificate of Compliance with Multi-Project Labor Agreement.

Bidders are **STRONGLY URGED** to inspect all areas of the work sites, prior to bidding, to familiarize themselves with the nature of the work and the method of accomplishing the same. Site inspections may be arranged by contacting the Resident Engineer, John Harty, at (847) 568-8308 or hartyj@mwrdd.org. Contractors shall bring a hard hat and must wear appropriate footwear for the site inspection. No questions will be taken during any site inspections. Bidders are hereby reminded they may raise questions to the District's Question and Answer Board, online at the District's website, at www.mwrdd.org. The path is as follows: Doing Business → Procurement and Materials Management → Contract Announcements → (Find correct project) → Ask a Question.

Bidders should read the bidding requirements set forth on pages R-1 through R-6, and in particular page R-2, Paragraph 6, in regard to questions on this Contract.

It is the responsibility of the Contractor to verify the applicability of the Prevailing Wage Act to this Contract with the Illinois Department of Labor. In the event the Illinois Department of Labor (IDOL) indicates the Prevailing Wage Act is not applicable to the work to be performed under this Contract, then a copy of IDOL's written indication of this determination must accompany the Contractor's initial request for payment.

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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and Materials Management

Chicago, Illinois
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