NOTICE
INVITATION TO BID
TO
METROPOLITAN WATER RECLAMATION DISTRICT OF GREATER CHICAGO
ENVIRONMENTAL ATTRIBUTES SERVICES PROVIDER

CONTRACT 21-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 21-RFP-06.

PROPOSALS ARE DUE AUGUST 13, 2021

Sealed proposals, endorsed as above, will be submitted to the District via an electronic upload to the Bonfire Portal only. See “Submission Via the Bonfire Portal” for instructions. Proposals will be accepted from the date of the Invitation to Bid, up to 11:00 A.M. (Central time), on August 13, 2021 stated above.

No proposals will be accepted after 11:00 A.M. (Central time zone) on the above scheduled due date. Mail or hand delivered proposals will not be accepted. There is no Bid Depository safe for this purpose.

The purpose of this Request for Proposal (“RFP”) is to partner with an environmental attribute service provider possessing the requisite expertise to prepare an analysis of the potential value of the uncontracted environment attributes associated with the District’s facilities, as well as a detailed plan to capture any such identified value. Upon the District’s approval of the submitted plan, the service provider would perform all actions necessary to implement the plan, including asset registrations and/or validations, and generation and/or emissions verifications. Subsequent to the development of the plan and registration of assets, it is the District’s expectation that the service provider coordinate the sale of the assets.

At the direction of the District Board of Commissioners, the District may request the proposer to purchase environmental attributes on behalf of the District to reduce our environmental impact and carbon footprint.

Funding of all contract items is subject to the Board of Commissioners’ approval of the budget for those years. This contract will be for a three (3) year period with an option to extend for up to two (2) additional years.

The successful Proposer would enter into an agreement with the District, wherein it would generate revenue for the District through the sale of the environmental attributes. The District’s expectation is that the service provider earn its compensation through the transaction process, preferably, by taking title of the attributes from the District in exchange for fair remuneration to the District. The District will also consider brokerage arrangements.

The Proposer must provide a detailed narrative including specific examples and support information of the proposed services that will be provided. This detailed narrative will address all the services listed above and all tasks required hereunder. The format of this narrative will correspond to the outline of tasks identified under the scope of work.
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.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 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 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 contract. 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 contract 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 contract documents and to such other prospective Proposers as shall 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 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. 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 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 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 contact person for the request for proposal is James Laskowiecki, Senior Electrical Engineer. This contact person 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

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