FISHING HARBOR SEWER PLANT TEMPORARY EQUIPMENT INSTALLATION & RENTAL

February 6, 2025

1. CHANGES TO BID OPENING DATE AND TIME:

a. The **Bid Opening Date** has been changed from **Tuesday, February 11, 2025** to **Tuesday, February 25, 2025**. **Bid Opening Time** remains at **2:00 P.M. C.D.T**.

2. ANSWERS AND CLARIFICATIONS TO BIDDERS' QUESTIONS:

BIDDERS QUESTION		BND RESPONSE
1.	Can we use UV light for disinfection in discharged water?	This disinfection can be considered as an alternative process as long as it complies with TCEQ outfall parameters.
2.	At the headworks, does the Port of Brownville prefer a mechanical screen or a manual screen?	Please provide price or both options. This is only a temporary set-up.
3.	After the bid is awarded, how long will it take to issue the notice to proceed?	The plan is to award the project at the Board Meeting immediately after the bid opening date.
4.	Since this is a temporary rental system, can the requirement for performance and payment bond be waived?	The bonding requirement will apply for the installation of the equipment and not for the rental.
5.	How will additional rental time and related services be addressed in the event the requirement to have the rental system on site extends beyond the original contract?	If additional months are necessary a Change Order to add time will be recommended to the Board for approval.
6.	Can retention be waived considering the project scope is to provide a temporary rental system?	The 5% retainage will only apply to the initial equipment installation. Once installed and in operation, retained amounts will be paid.
7.	The Agreement, Standard General Conditions and Supplementary General Conditions are presented in a format that is for equipment or material sale, and permanent installation. Does the Port of Brownsville have another agreement that can be used to address the scope of work for providing a temporary rental system with install? How will rental equipment terms and conditions be addressed as part of this bid process?	Payment of rental will be made on a monthly basis based on monthly invoices from the contractor. Payment will be made for the number of months the system is in operation. Should the rental time be more than the projected 12 months, a Change Order will be executed for the additional time. Rental price will include upkeep and any needed repairs of the installed equipment due to other than normal wear and tear.
8.	Is this a prevailing wage project?	The prevailing wage provision does not apply to this project.

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9.	The Sanitary Sewer Pipework (SSP) and Water Line Pipe Work (WP) are written for material sale and permanent install. Are these applicable to the scope of work? Was a different scope of work supposed to be attached?	The attached specifications are general for Sanitary Sewer Pipework and Water Lines Pipe Work performed in the Port's projects. Only applicable items should be followed.
10.	RfR is classified as a "large business". We want to confirm that we are able to participate in this bid.	Any responsible and responsive bidder will be considered for this project, provided the bid is submitted on time.
11.	Are bid submittals accepted electronically, or only sealed folders?	Bid proposals may be submitted as hard copy or electronically through BidNet <u>only</u> . Bid proposals sent by email will not be considered.
12.	We request "As-built" drawings for existing infrastructure.	A copy of the existing plant plans is attached to this addendum.
13.	We request geotechnical data for the excavation to expose the existing pipe.	A copy of the existing geotechnical study is attached to this addendum.
15.	We request current influent analytical water analysis please.	BND does not have any analytical water analysis of the inflow as it is not required by TCEQ.
16.	What is the normal operating flow for this system? I noted that the maximum operating flow was 250,000 gallons per day which I calculate to be 174gpm in a 24 hour period.	BND records show maximum peak flows of just over 0.2 MGD. Average flow is approximately 0.08 MGD.
17.	Please confirm that POB will supply and inject the chlorine (as is being done in process already). Is this liquid or gas chlorine for disinfection? Please confirm.	BND will install the existing chlorine equipment for proper disinfection. The existing chlorine supply is with gas tanks.
18.	Confirm if manual barscreen or automatic barscreen is required? What is the spacing requirement on this barscreen?	The existing barscreen is BAUER Hydrasieve Model No. 554-2-72" as shown on the plans attached. Please provide price for both manual and automatic screen.
19.	Sludge by product: Who will be responsible for the removal, waste hauling, and disposal of the solids/sludge that is screened? I think there is already an existing operation for this using vac trucks, but just want to make sure.	It is the responsibility of BND to remove the sludge screened. Contractor shall only be responsible for the installation of the equipment.
20.	We would like to request an extension please on the bid due date to calibrate our services / equipment.	Bid Opening will be re-scheduled as indicated above in this Addendum No. 1.