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# TOWN OF LUMBERPORT HARRISON COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

# PHASE I WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

#### **ADDENDUM #2**

January 5, 2023

## THRASHER PROJECT #010-10208

## TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

A Pre-Bid Conference was held on Wednesday, December 14, 2022 on the above-referenced project, a copy of the sign in sheet is included in this Addendum. The following are clarifications and responses to questions posed by contractors for the above reference project.

# A. GENERAL

- 1. THE BID OPENING FOR THIS PROJECT HAS BEEN POSTPONED.
  THE BID OPENING WILL BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18,
  2023 AT 2:00 PM AT THE LUMBPERORT COMMUNITY BUILDING,
  LOCATED AT 84 GEORGE STREET, LUMBERPORT, WV 26386.
- 2. A Bid Item will be included for an audit of the Town's existing water metering infrastructure. The Supplier shall complete this audit to obtain the correct number of each size meter, lid and other necessary appurtenances.

# B. <u>SPECIFICATIONS</u>

N/A.

# C. QUESTIONS AND RESPONSES

# 1. QUESTION

Will an inventory of current metering infrastructure be required?

#### RESPONSE

Yes. A bid item will be provided for a water meter inventory. It is the Supplier's responsibility to verify all existing water meters, their sizes, locations, existing environmental conditions, meter well lids, styles, frames, and sizes to ensure the items provided allow for a complete and seamless integration of the cellular metering system.

## 2. QUESTION

What size are the existing residential meters?

#### RESPONSE

The residential meters are either size 5/8" or 5/8" by 3/4". Necessary quantities of each will be determined by the Supplier at the conclusion of the existing water infrastructure audit.

# 3. QUESTION

Will Kamstrup meters be considered as an "or-equal" item?

## RESPONSE

No. The meters submitted were ultrasonic water meters, and the two types of meters specified are positive displacement and bottom load multi-jet meters.

# 4. QUESTION

Will contract extensions be considered for supply chain issues?

# **RESPONSE**

If valid documentation is provided from a manufacturer that material/equipment has been delayed during the procurement process, the Town may consider adjusting the Contract Times via Change Order.

What is meant by the endpoints must be able to be manually reconfigured?

## RESPONSE

If a disruption or error is encountered with a specific water meter or its endpoint, the endpoint can be manually reset at the meter.

# 6. QUESTION

Do endpoints need to be programmable?

## RESPONSE

No.

# 7. QUESTION

Do encoders need to be programmable in the field?

## RESPONSE

No.

# 8. QUESTION

What level of precision does the encoder need to read?

#### **RESPONSE**

For standard residential water meters, the encoder should read to the nearest one hundredth of a gallon.

# 9. QUESTION

Who is responsible for the start-up, implementation and integration of the cellular reading software?

# RESPONSE

It is the Supplier's responsibility to perform all integrations of the new metering system with the Town's existing software.

Is a customer portal required as part of the project?

#### RESPONSE

Yes.

# 11. QUESTION

What billing software does the Town currently use?

## **RESPONSE**

Jayhawk Utility Suite.

# 12. QUESTION

Who is responsible for paying interface charges?

# **RESPONSE**

Should any billing software integration fees be incurred, the Supplier is responsible for those fees.

# 13. QUESTION

Will the Town continue to utilize the same billing software once the new meters are installed?

## **RESPONSE**

Yes.

# 14. QUESTION

What is meant by all meter cost shall be fixed for 10 years?

# **RESPONSE**

The bid item for Meter Reading Software shall also include the cost of 10-years of any applicable subscription fees associated with the cellular metering system and/or cellular endpoints.

Do 10-years hosting fees on cellular endpoints need to be included in the bid price?

## RESPONSE

Yes. 10-years' worth of all applicable advanced metering/cellular endpoint fees shall be included in the Meter Reading Software bid item.

# 16. QUESTION

Will a list of customer addresses be provided?

#### RESPONSE

Yes. The Town will provide a current customer list that contains service addresses at the Supplier's request.

# 17. QUESTION

Will nearby water tank locations be provided?

#### RESPONSE

The location of the Town's existing infrastructure can be obtained, however the cellular metering system specified does not propose any infrastructure other than the meter encoder/endpoints for cellular reading capabilities.

# 18. QUESTION

Can the metering system communicate through external hardware or towers?

#### RESPONSE

No. The endpoints shall communicate directly with the metering software via cellular communication.

# 19. QUESTION

Will a list of available cellular providers in the area be provided?

#### RESPONSE

Common cellular service providers in the area are AT&T, U.S. Cellular and Verizon, among other providers.

What is the current meter reading method?

#### RESPONSE

The current method of water reading is manually reading the existing water meters.

# 21. QUESTION

Does the town produce or buy their water?

## RESPONSE

The Town currently produces their own water.

# 22. QUESTION

Are B&O taxes applicable to this project?

# **RESPONSE**

A copy of the B&O tax schedule can be found as an attachment to this Addendum.

# 23. QUESTION

What are the funding sources for this project?

## **RESPONSE**

West Virginia Infrastructure and Jobs Development Council and Town of Lumberport American Rescue Plan Act funds.

# 24. QUESTION

What is the duration of the bid hold period?

# **RESPONSE**

90 calendar days.

# D. CLARIFICATIONS

- 1. The Town's existing water infrastructure has been maintained by different operators and section of infrastructure were installed at different times. A bid item has been added for a water meter audit. This audit shall be conducted prior to the procurement of the water meters, meter frames (if necessary) and lids.
- 2. The bidding process is a two (2) envelope system. Envelope No. 1 must have the following information presented on the front:

Name and address of Bidder Bid on Phase I Water System Improvements Project Received by the Town of Lumberport

Envelope No. 1 will be opened first and the Bid Opening Requirement items will be checked for compliance as outlined on the Bid Opening Checklist (BOR-1). If such documents are found to be in order, Envelope No. 2 "Bid Proposal", will be opened and will be publicly read aloud. If the documents required to be contained in Envelope No. 1 are not in order, Envelope No. 2 "Bid Proposal", will not be opened and the Bid will be considered non-responsive.

Envelope No. 2 labeled "Bid Proposal" shall be placed inside of Envelope #1.

If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact me at your earliest convenience. As a reminder, bids will be received until 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 10, 2023 at 84 George Street, Lumberport, WV. Good luck to everyone and thank you for your interest in the project.

Sincerely,

THE THRASHER GROUP, INC.

DANIEL E. FERRELL, P.E.

Project Manager

Enclosures: Pre-Bid Sign-In Sheet

**B&O** Tax Schedule



# TOWN OF LUMBERPORT HARRISON COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA PHASE I WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

# PRE-BID CONFERENCE Wednesday, December 14, 2022

Thrasher Project #010-10208

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Charlie Pence	For F. Lie Works WK	434-962-3248	For f. Lie Works WK 434-962-3245 chardis parces Contine
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