

Vendor Questions: Annual Pipe

Date: September 30, 2024

Questions:

- 1. "Regarding the restrained pipe, is it tri-flex or gaskets?" It just depends on your brand; for example ACIPCO has Fastite (non-restrained) and Flex ring (restrained). US Pipe restrained type is TR Flex the standard other one is Titon.
- 2. On page two of the bid package, it states that not quoting an item will result in the bid being rejected. At X Company we don't make Ductile Iron Pipe larger than 36" diameter, so since we can't price the 42", 48" and 60" diameter pipe does that mean we shouldn't turn in a bid? We can't tell you NOT to bid, but we will need pricing on all items to be considered responsive.
- 3. The last page of the bid form, under the AIS section. The last 4 items are "AIS-MJ GATE VALVE.." I don't believe these are to be part of this bid as they are not fittings. No gate valves should be on the Bid Form. The bid form was updated- please see addendum one.
- 4. The actual bid form is a little confusing with regards to the fittings. The first page of the bid form, has a "Total Pipe", "Total Polyethylene Wrap", and a" Total MJ Fittings" with a "Grand Total". The next page has a "Price Per Net Ton" for fittings with a "Grand Total". I believe there should be a "Ton" quantity listed so we can provide a "Grand Total" on both fittings and "Grand Total" for the bid. The bid form was updated- please see addendum one.
- 5. The bid form, then lists individual prices for all the fittings. However, there is not a different "Price Per Net Ton" for AIS fittings. I believe this should have a separate line with an estimated "ton" quantity of AIS. This would be the same as for non-domestic fittings. I would pick one or the other methods to total the bid amount.
- 6. Can the bid be extended two weeks? Bid is extended to October 8, 2024.
- 7. On Page Three of the document, it states in the lower left hand corner the the bid packet must be submitted by 10:00am on October 3, 2024, but on Page Fourteen it states they are due on Friday, October 4, at 10:00 am. Can you please clarify? The bid form has been updated- please see addendum.
- 8. Do the estimated pipe quantities included in the bid form reflect the quantities required for the WIFI Infrastructure Repair and Rehabilitation Project? Pipe quantities estimated account for the WIFIA planned main replacement projects; developer-install (new residential & commercial

development) projects; and In House main replacement projects.

- 9. How will the pipe required for the WIFI Infrastructure Repair and Rehabilitation Project be procured and can you provide an estimated quantity? The pipe to be utilized is within the Bid Form numbers for pipe.
- 10. There is a statement below the Grand Total item on page four that states the estimated lineal feet of 4" -16" pipe needed through the contract period is 145,400 lineal feet, but the combined 4"-16" total lineal feet in the bid form is 343,750 lineal feet, can you advise why there is such a discrepancy? Refer to updated bid form.
- 11. The bid form has fittings listed twice, one section states AIS requirement and the other section does not state AIS, can this section of fittings be import fittings? There are "domestic" and "non-domestic" fittings section in the Bid. Please see updated bid form.
- 12. Once a PO is sent to the selected manufacturer, what is the expected lead time required for pick-up or delivery to your warehouse? Pipe Manufacturer is to have a local yard for delivery. Real world situations have governed delivery times. I can NOT answer that question.
 13. Does the question "Shipping time after order received" on Page Four
- 13. Does the question "Shipping time after order received" on Page Four represent our estimated lead time required for delivery or customer pick-up? Yes.
- 14. In the requirements, it states that the word "ZINC" must be in the center of the pipe; US Pipe identifies its Zinc coated pipe by painting the bell silver making it easily identifiable from non-Zinc coated pipe, would this be sufficient to BWWB? Pipe should have a marking as "ZINC"- same as in the past.
- 15. On Page Three there is a note at the bottom of the page that state "NOTE: Payment discount terms will not be considered in the award of this bid. Net 30 terms only will apply.", but on Page Four there is a requirement for Terms, can you please elaborate if there is a difference? Please see updated bid form.
- 16. Does unit pricing for the fittings need to include glands, bolts, and nuts? Yes.
- 17. Is HUB participation required to secure this contract? Not required, but preferred.

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