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## Solicitation Addendum

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Addendum No.: 2  
Solicitation No.: 21-R076017BB  
Solicitation Title: Water, Sewer, Backflow, and Related Parts  
Addendum Date: March 8, 2021  
Procurement Contact: Brooke Baker, CPPB, Procurement Team Leader

**IFB No. 21-R076017BB is amended as set forth herein. Responses to questions posed by prospective bidders are provided below. This addendum is hereby incorporated in and made a part of IFB No. 21-R076017BB.**

**The deadline to submit all inquiries concerning interpretation, clarification or additional information pertaining to this IFB was February 18, 2021.**

### **CHANGE:**

#### **ATTACHMENT G, PRICING FORM**

Bidder must complete Attachment G, Revised Pricing Form, in PDF format and in Microsoft Excel format.

### **CHANGE:**

#### **ATTACHMENT G, PRICING FORM; GROUP F; LINE ITEM NO. F240; CELL NO. A502**

See Attachment G, Revised Pricing Form; Group F; Line Item No. F240; Cell No. A502, issued with this Addendum No. 2: The Required Manufacturer has been changed to “JCM”. Bidders must utilize the Revised version of Attachment G for bid submittal. Bidder’s failure to utilize the Revised version of Attachment G for bid submittal may result in the Bidder’s response being deemed non-responsive.

### **CHANGE:**

#### **ATTACHMENT G, PRICING FORM; GROUP G; LINE ITEM NO. G1; CELL NO. A546**

See Attachment G, Revised Pricing Form; Group G; Line Item No. G1; Cell No. A546, issued with this Addendum No. 2: The Line Item No. has been changed to “G1.1” and the Manatee County Stock No. has been changed to “3G1224”. Bidders must utilize the Revised version of Attachment G for bid submittal. Bidder’s failure to utilize the Revised version of Attachment G for bid submittal may result in the Bidder’s response being deemed non-responsive.

**CHANGE:**

**EXHIBIT 1, SCOPE OF SERVICES; 1.06, PRICE ESCALATION/DE-ESCALATION; A**

- A. The Supplier's pricing for water, sewer, backflow, and related parts must remain firm for a minimum of one (1) year after execution of the Agreement. Requests for price increases or decreases, price escalation or de-escalation, (hereinafter in this Scope referred to as Price Change Request) may be submitted annually, at least 60 days prior to the expiration date of an Agreement period but no sooner than 90 days prior to the expiration date of an Agreement period. Should the Supplier not honor their price for one (1) year after the execution of the Agreement or for any Agreement period thereafter, the County reserves the right to terminate the Agreement in its entirety.

**ADD:**

**EXHIBIT 1, SCOPE OF SERVICES; 1.06, PRICE ESCALATION/DE-ESCALATION**

- G. The maximum annual Price Change Request per Line Item shall not exceed six percent (6%).

**QUESTIONS AND RESPONSES:**

- Q1. I noticed on the bid sheet that Ford is listed as a required manufacture on the service brass and the saddles. The APL list other manufactures for these items. Will you only accept Ford and if so may I please have an explanation as to why?**
- R1. Refer to the IFB; Attachment G, Pricing Form: Each Line Item that has a specific manufacturer listed in the "Required Manufacturer" column is the Required Manufacturer for that Line Item. The Approved Products List (APL) may list additional manufacturers outside of the Required Manufacturer; however, the County oftentimes selects one manufacturer as the Required Manufacturer.
- Q2. In Group F, line item 502 the Bid lists JCM 412 style Tapping Saddle for the description, but all other Tapping Saddles list FORD in the description. Was this line item supposed to be FORD or JCM?**
- R2. Refer to the Change above issued with this Addendum No. 2: Attachment G, Pricing Form; Group F; Line Item No. F240; Cell No. A502.
- Q3. With nearly 1,000 items & extreme market volatility, will the County consider offering Vendors a 2 week extension on the due date?**
- R3. Refer to Addendum No. 1 that was issued on February 25, 2021.
- Q4. Will this Bid be awarded to the lowest Total Bid, by Group, or by Line Item?**
- R4. Refer to the IFB; Section A, Instructions to Bidders; A.27, Basis of Award.

- Q5. Regarding escalation clause in Pricing (1.06 C) – What is meant by “most recent 12 month period changes” for applicable Bureau of Labor Statistics / Producer Price Indexes? (See Attachment) The past 12 months may not be indicative of the next 12, and with the County asking vendors to present pricing 60 days in advance, which really means 90 days so as to allow time for Mfr. Responses. The net effect becomes predicting pricing 15 months in advance after looking at past 9-12 month period “changes”. How do vendors interpret the figures from the attachment and take in to consideration the fine print stating “Preliminary, all indexes are subject to revision four months after publication”?**
- R5. Refer to the IFB; Exhibit 1, Scope of Services; 1.06, Price Escalation/De-Escalation: “The most recent 12-month period for the applicable Bureau of Labor Statistics Index” refers to the 12 months prior to a Price Change Request. The County will utilize the applicable Bureau of Labor Statistics Index for each Line Item Price Change Request, averaging the prior 12 months to get the Index Calculation. All Price Change Requests must be submitted in accordance with Section 1.06, Price Escalation/De-Escalation.
- Q6. Why can’t the County allow Vendors to show proof of (Annual) Group price increase similar to the method used for “Non-Group” Cost-Plus items?**
- R6. Refer to the IFB; Exhibit 1, Scope of Services; 1.06, Price Escalation/De-Escalation: All Price Change Requests must be submitted in accordance with Section 1.06, Price Escalation/De-Escalation.
- Q7. In Group N, line items 972, 973, and 974 there is listed 3” wide tape for Water, Reclaimed, and Sewer. On the line item requirements, it refers to the APL and the new county spec listed is a 6” wide 3M 7600 XR detectable tape. Is the 6” wide 3M 7600 XR detectable tape the correct tape to quote?**
- R7. Yes, 6” is the correct width for bury tape. The Line Items must be bid in accordance with the APL.
- Q8. Group G Meter Boxes in the line requirements it says refer to the APL. The APL calls out for the manufacturer SIP.**
- R8. Refer to the IFB; Attachment G, Pricing Form: Each Line Item that has a specific manufacturer listed in the “Required Manufacturer” column is the Required Manufacturer for that Line Item. Each Line Item that has a specific manufacturer listed in the “Preferred Manufacturer” column is the Preferred Manufacturer for that Line Item. The APL may list additional manufacturers outside of the Required or Preferred Manufacturer; however, the County oftentimes will select one manufacturer as the Required or Preferred Manufacturer.
- Q9. Line 561 G17 part description calls for Rome?**
- R9. Refer to Q8 above.
- Q10. Line 562 G18 and Line 563 G19 call for fiberglass Oki Dokie boxes. Duralite from Old Castle has been used is this acceptable?**
- R10. Yes.

- Q11. Are all mega lugs (3K) to include accessory packs?**
- R11. No, only where specified to include.
- Q12. Are all MJ/Flange fittings for water/reclaim that are noted as epoxy or blank to be FBE? Example 3M1015 is blank while 3M1022 is Epoxy.**
- R12. Yes.
- Q13. Are all sewer MJ/Flange fittings to be Permox even if P-401 is listed? Example 3M1489 states P-401 while 3M1601 states Permox.**
- R13. No.
- Q14. Do the MJ accessory and trans packs need to be EPDM gaskets and core-blue hardware?**
- R14. Yes.
- Q15. Is the square reclaim box 3W1045 to be 6" or 9"?**
- R15. 9" as stated in the APL.
- Q16. Flange meter kits 3W1188 is the kit to include 2 flanges 4 bolts and 2 gaskets, or 1, 2 and 1?**
- R16. Two (2) flanges, four (4) bolts, four (4) nuts.
- Q17. Will an equal to the SIP meter boxes be accepted due to the extensive lead times?**
- R17. No.
- Q18. There are items on the attached (Attachment G, Pricing Form) that call for P-401 – just a couple of examples are 3M1497 and 3M1498 – is the P-401 reference correct?**
- R18. Yes.
- Q19. Below is an excerpt from an email from a manufacturer from which we have requested pricing for this solicitation. This and Covid related issues, folks working from home, etc. is making the time involved to respond to the solicitation much greater. Would it be possible to get the bid date extended at least a week? There is a tremendous amount of manual entry required (yellow highlighted section) for which data needs to be obtained from these manufacturers also.**
- R19. Refer to Addendum No. 1 that was issued on February 25, 2021.
- Q20. We will need to know if the flanged valves are non-rising stems for lift stations or os&Y for potable and reclaimed water or both and if so which os&y and which nrs?**
- R20. Flanged valves for lift stations should be non-rising stems. Potable and reclaimed should be type OSY.

**NOTE:**

Items that are ~~struck through~~ are deleted. Items that are underlined have been added or changed. All other terms and conditions remain as stated in the IFB.

**INSTRUCTIONS:**

Receipt of this Addendum must be acknowledged as instructed in the solicitation document. Failure to acknowledge receipt of this Addendum may result in the response being deemed non-responsive.

**END OF ADDENDUM**

AUTHORIZED FOR RELEASE

## **ATTACHMENT G, REVISED PRICING FORM**

### **IFB NO. 21-R076017BB**

### **WATER, SEWER, BACKFLOW, AND RELATED PARTS**

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1. Bidder must complete this Attachment G, Pricing Form, in PDF format. Bidder must also complete Attachment G, Pricing Form, in Microsoft Excel format, which is posted as a separate attachment on the Procurement webpage of the County's website with this solicitation and available for download.
2. Bidder must provide a hardcopy of this Attachment G, Pricing Form, in PDF format. Bidder must also provide a hardcopy of Attachment G, Pricing Form, in Microsoft Excel format, which is posted as a separate attachment on the Procurement webpage of the County's website with this solicitation and available for download.
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4. Bidder must bid all Line Items in accordance with Exhibit 3, Utilities Standards Manual & Utilities Approved Product List (as adopted by the Board of County Commissioners on February 25, 2020 via Resolution R-20-031). The County reserves the right to reject all parts that are not in accordance with Exhibit 3, Utilities Standards Manual & Utilities Approved Product List.
5. Bidder's price must be all-inclusive, including any delivery fees, to provide the goods and/or services.
6. When filling out/completing Attachment G, Pricing Form, in Microsoft Excel format, Bidder must do so in accordance with the "Instructions to Bidder" noted on the Pricing Form.

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**ATTACHMENT G, REVISED PRICING FORM****IFB NO. 21-R076017BB****WATER, SEWER, BACKFLOW, AND RELATED PARTS**

GROUP A - COST PLUS MARKUP PERCENTAGE FOR ALL LIKE WATER, SEWER, BACKFLOW, AND RELATED PARTS NOT LISTED IN GROUP A <u>(NOT TO EXCEED 12%):</u>	%
GROUP B - COST PLUS MARKUP PERCENTAGE FOR ALL LIKE WATER, SEWER, BACKFLOW, AND RELATED PARTS NOT LISTED IN GROUP B <u>(NOT TO EXCEED 12%):</u>	%
GROUP C - COST PLUS MARKUP PERCENTAGE FOR ALL LIKE WATER, SEWER, BACKFLOW, AND RELATED PARTS NOT LISTED IN GROUP C <u>(NOT TO EXCEED 12%):</u>	%
GROUP D - COST PLUS MARKUP PERCENTAGE FOR ALL LIKE WATER, SEWER, BACKFLOW, AND RELATED PARTS NOT LISTED IN GROUP D <u>(NOT TO EXCEED 12%):</u>	%
GROUP E - COST PLUS MARKUP PERCENTAGE FOR ALL LIKE WATER, SEWER, BACKFLOW, AND RELATED PARTS NOT LISTED IN GROUP E <u>(NOT TO EXCEED 12%):</u>	%
GROUP F - COST PLUS MARKUP PERCENTAGE FOR ALL LIKE WATER, SEWER, BACKFLOW, AND RELATED PARTS NOT LISTED IN GROUP F <u>(NOT TO EXCEED 12%):</u>	%
GROUP G - COST PLUS MARKUP PERCENTAGE FOR ALL LIKE WATER, SEWER, BACKFLOW, AND RELATED PARTS NOT LISTED IN GROUP G <u>(NOT TO EXCEED 12%):</u>	%
GROUP H - COST PLUS MARKUP PERCENTAGE FOR ALL LIKE WATER, SEWER, BACKFLOW, AND RELATED PARTS NOT LISTED IN GROUP H <u>(NOT TO EXCEED 12%):</u>	%
GROUP I - COST PLUS MARKUP PERCENTAGE FOR ALL LIKE WATER, SEWER, BACKFLOW, AND RELATED PARTS NOT LISTED IN GROUP I <u>(NOT TO EXCEED 12%):</u>	%
GROUP J - COST PLUS MARKUP PERCENTAGE FOR ALL LIKE WATER, SEWER, BACKFLOW, AND RELATED PARTS NOT LISTED IN GROUP J <u>(NOT TO EXCEED 12%):</u>	%
GROUP K - COST PLUS MARKUP PERCENTAGE FOR ALL LIKE WATER, SEWER, BACKFLOW, AND RELATED PARTS NOT LISTED IN GROUP K <u>(NOT TO EXCEED 12%):</u>	%

GROUP L - COST PLUS MARKUP PERCENTAGE FOR ALL LIKE WATER, SEWER, BACKFLOW, AND RELATED PARTS NOT LISTED IN GROUP L (NOT TO EXCEED 12%):	%
GROUP M - COST PLUS MARKUP PERCENTAGE FOR ALL LIKE WATER, SEWER, BACKFLOW, AND RELATED PARTS NOT LISTED IN GROUP M (NOT TO EXCEED 12%):	%
GROUP N - COST PLUS MARKUP PERCENTAGE FOR ALL LIKE WATER, SEWER, BACKFLOW, AND RELATED PARTS NOT LISTED IN GROUP N (NOT TO EXCEED 12%):	%
COST PLUS MARKUP PERCENTAGE FOR ALL MISCELLANEOUS TOOLS/ITEMS NOT LISTED IN THE PRICING FORM (EXAMPLES: SHOVELS, COOLERS, ETC.) (NOT TO EXCEED 12%):	%

**We, the undersigned, hereby declare that we have carefully reviewed the IFB documents in their entirety and with full knowledge and understanding of the Bid information and all its requirements, submit this Bid, which is complete in meeting each specification, term, and condition contained therein.**

**As Bidder, we understand that the IFB documents, including but not limited to, all specifications, terms, and conditions shall be made a part of any resulting Agreement between County and the successful Bidder.**

**Authorized Signature:\_\_\_\_\_ Date:\_\_\_\_\_**