



INVITATION FOR BID
IFB #12-2151-OV
Force Main Replacement Project (1A, 2A, and 16A)
Bradenton, FL (Project No. 60522.80)

Manatee County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida, (hereinafter the "County") will receive sealed Bids from individuals, corporations, partnerships, and other legal entities organized under the laws of the State of Florida or authorized to conduct business in the State of Florida.

NON-MANDATORY INFORMATION CONFERENCE

In order to insure that all prospective Bidders have sufficient information and understanding of the County's needs, an Information Conference will be held on: **December 12, 2012 at 10:00 AM** at the **Manatee County Public Works Department, Project Management Division, (Conference Room A), 1022 26th Avenue East, Bradenton, FL 34208.** Attendance is not mandatory, but is highly encouraged.

NOTE: **Article B.05 Inspection of Site (page 00020-2)** – All potential Contractors, it is mandatory that a site visit be performed at each location to familiarize yourselves with the full scope of the construction site.

DEADLINE FOR CLARIFICATION REQUESTS: **December 21, 2012 at 5:00 PM**
(Reference Bid Article A.06)

TIME AND DATE DUE: **January 15, 2013 at 2:00 PM**
Location: **Manatee County Purchasing Conference Room, Suite 803, Bradenton, FL 34205**

Important Note: Lobbying is prohibited (reference Bid Article A.08).

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Purchasing Division

AUTHORIZED FOR RELEASE: 

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SECTION 00010
INFORMATION TO BIDDERS

A.01 OPENING LOCATION

These Bids will be **publicly opened** at **Manatee County Purchasing Division, 1112 Manatee Avenue West, Suite 803, Bradenton, Florida 34205** in the presence of County officials at the time and date stated, or soon thereafter. All Bidders or their representatives are invited to be present.

Any Bids received after the stated time and date will not be considered. It shall be the sole responsibility of the Bidder to have their Bid **delivered to the Manatee County Purchasing Division** for receipt on or before the stated time and date. If a Bid is sent by **U.S. Mail**, the Bidder shall be responsible for its timely delivery to the Purchasing Division. Bids delayed by mail shall not be considered, shall not be opened at the public opening, and arrangements shall be made for their return at the respondent's request and expense.

A.02 SEALED & MARKED

One original and two copies of your **signed Bid** shall be submitted in one **sealed** package, clearly marked on the outside **"Sealed Bid #12-2151-OV, Force Main Replacement Project (1A, 2A, 16A)"** with your company name.

Address package to: Manatee County Purchasing Division
1112 Manatee Avenue West, Suite 803
Bradenton, Florida 34205

A.03 SECURING OF DOCUMENTS

Complete individual copies of the Bidding documents for the project and/or products can be obtained, free of charge, at the Manatee County Administration Building, Purchasing Division, located at 1112 Manatee Avenue West, Suite 803. Documents may be obtained between the hours of 8:00 AM and 4:00 PM Monday through Friday, with the exception of holidays. Complete set of the Bidding document must be used in preparing Bids. The County assumes no responsibility for errors and misinterpretations resulting from the use of incomplete sets of Bidding documents.

A.04 BID DOCUMENTS

Bids on **<http://www.mymanatee.org>**, Bid documents and the Notices of Source Selection related to those Bids are available for download in a portable document format (.PDF) file on the Manatee County web page on the Purchasing tab under "Bids." You may view and print these files using Adobe Acrobat software. You may download a free copy of this software (Adobe) from the Owner's web page if you do not have it.

Manatee County collaborates with the Manatee Chamber of Commerce on distributing solicitations using the RFP Tool web page on the Chambers website: **<http://www.Manateechamber.com>** to post Bid documents in a portable document

A.04 BID DOCUMENTS (Continued)

format (.PDF) file. This step is in addition to the posting on Manatee County Government web pages.

Manatee County may also use an internet service provider to distribute Bids. A link to that service, <http://www.DemandStar.com>, is provided on this web site under the Tab "DemandStar". Participation in the DemandStar system is not a requirement for doing business with Manatee County.

Note: The County posts the Notice of Source Selection seven (7) calendar days prior to the effective date of the Award.

IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF EACH CONTRACTOR, PRIOR TO SUBMITTING THEIR BID, TO CONTACT THE MANATEE COUNTY PURCHASING DIVISION (see contact information on page one of this document) TO DETERMINE IF ADDENDA WERE ISSUED AND TO MAKE SUCH ADDENDA A PART OF THEIR BID .

A.05 MODIFICATION OF BID SPECIFICATIONS

If a Bidder wishes to recommend changes to the Bid specifications, the Bidder shall furnish in writing, data and information necessary to aid the Owner in evaluating the request to modify the specifications. The Owner is not obligated to make any changes to the Bid specifications. Unless an addendum is issued, the Bid specifications shall remain unaltered. **Bidders must fully comply with the Bid specifications, terms, and conditions.**

A.06 DEADLINE FOR CLARIFICATION REQUESTS

December 21, 2012 at 5:00 PM shall be the deadline to submit all inquiries, suggestions, or requests concerning interpretation, clarification or additional information pertaining to the Invitation for Bids to the Manatee County Purchasing Division.

This deadline has been established to maintain fair treatment for all potential Bidders, while maintaining the expedited nature of the Economic Stimulus that the contracting of this Work may achieve.

A.07 CLARIFICATION & ADDENDA

Each Bidder shall examine all Invitation for Bid documents and shall judge all matters relating to the adequacy and accuracy of such documents. Any inquiries, suggestions or requests concerning interpretation, clarification or additional information pertaining to the Invitation for Bids shall be made through the Manatee County Purchasing Division. The County shall not be responsible for oral interpretations given by any County employee, representative, or others. The issuance of a written addendum is the only official method whereby interpretation, clarification or additional information can be given.

A.07 CLARIFICATION & ADDENDA (Continued)

If any addenda are issued to this Invitation for Bid, the County will broadcast the addenda on the DemandStar distribution system to "Planholders" on this web service, and post the documents on the Purchasing Division's web page at <http://www.mymanatee.org> which can be accessed by clicking on the "Purchasing" button and then clicking on the "Bids" button. It shall be the responsibility of each Bidder, prior to submitting their Bid, to contact Manatee County Purchasing (see contact on page 1) to determine if addenda were issued and to make such addenda a part of their Bid.

A.08 LOBBYING

After the issuance of any Invitation for Bid, prospective Bidders, or any agent, representative or person acting at the request of such Bidder shall not contact, communicate with or discuss any matter relating in any way to the Invitation for Bid with any officer, agent or employee of Manatee County other than the Purchasing Official or as directed in the Invitation for Bid. This prohibition begins with the issuance of any Invitation for Bid, and ends upon execution of the final Contract or when the invitation has been canceled. Violators of this prohibition shall be subject to sanctions as provided in the Manatee County Purchasing Code.

The County reserves the right to amend or to add to the names listed as persons to contact. All amendments or additions to the names listed as persons to contact shall be issued by the Purchasing Division, in writing.

A.09 UNBALANCED BIDDING PROHIBITED

Manatee County recognizes that large and/or complex projects will often result in a variety of methods, sources, and prices. However, where in the opinion of the County such variation does not appear to be justified, given Bid specifications and industry and market conditions, the Bid will be presumed to be unbalanced. Examples of unbalanced Bids will include:

1. Bids showing omissions, alterations of form, additions not specified or required conditional or unauthorized alternate Bids.
2. Bids quoting prices that substantially deviate, either higher or lower, from those included in the Bids of competitive Bidders for the same line item unit costs.
3. Bids where the unit costs offered are in excess of or below reasonable cost analysis values.

A.09 UNBALANCED BIDDING PROHIBITED (Continued)

In the event the County determines that a Bid is presumed unbalanced, it will request the opportunity to, and reserves the right to, review all source quotes, Bids, price lists, letters of intent, etc., which the Bidder obtained and upon which the Bidder relied upon to develop the Bid. The County reserves the right to reject as non-responsive any presumptive unbalanced Bids where the Bidder is unable to demonstrate the validity and/or necessity of the unbalanced unit costs.

A.10 FRONT END LOADING OF BID PRICING PROHIBITED

Prices offered for performance and/or acquisition activities to occur early in the project schedule, such as mobilization; clearing and grubbing; or maintenance of traffic; that are substantially higher than pricing of competitive Bidders within the same portion of the project schedule, will be presumed to be front end loaded. Front end loaded Bids could reasonably appear to be an attempt to obtain unjustified early payments creating a risk of insufficient incentive for the Contractor to complete the Work or otherwise creating an appearance of an under-capitalized Bidder.

In the event the County determines that a Bid is presumed to be front end loaded, it will request the opportunity to, and reserves the right to, review all source quotes, Bids, price lists, letters of intent, etc., which the Bidder obtained and upon which the Bidder relied upon to develop the pricing or acquisition timing for these Bid items. The County reserves the right to reject as non-responsive any presumptive front end loaded Bids where the Bidder is unable to demonstrate the validity and/or necessity of the front end loaded costs.

A.11 WITHDRAWAL OF OFFERS

Contractors may withdraw offers as follows: a) Mistakes discovered before the opening of a solicitation may be withdrawn by written notice from the Bidder submitting the offer. This request must be received in the office designated for receipt of offers in the solicitation document prior to the time set for delivery and opening of the offers. A copy of the request shall be retained and the unopened offer returned to that Contractor. b) After the responses to a solicitation are opened or a selection has been determined, but before a Contract is signed, a Contractor alleging a material mistake of fact may be permitted to withdraw their offer if: (1) the mistake is clearly evident on the solicitation document; or (2) the Bidder submits evidence which clearly and convincingly demonstrates that a mistake was made. Request to withdraw an offer must be in writing and approved by the Purchasing Official.

A.12 IRREVOCABLE OFFER

Any Bid may be withdrawn up until the date and time set for opening of the Bid. Any Bid not so withdrawn shall, upon opening, constitute an irrevocable offer for a period of ninety (90) days to sell to Manatee County the goods or services set forth in the attached specifications until one or more of the Bids have been duly accepted by the County.

A.13 BID EXPENSES

All expenses for making Bids to the County are to be borne by the Bidder.

A.14 RESERVED RIGHTS

The County reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all Bids, to waive irregularities and technicalities, and to request resubmission. Also, the County reserves the right to accept all or any part of the Bid and to increase or decrease quantities to meet additional or reduced requirements of the County. Any sole response received by the first submission date may or may not be rejected by the County depending on available competition and current needs of the County. For all items combined, the Bid of the lowest responsive, responsible Bidder will be accepted, unless all Bids are rejected. The lowest responsible Bidder shall mean **that Bidder who makes the lowest Bid to sell goods and/or services of a quality which** meets or exceeds the quality of goods and/or services set forth in the attached specifications or otherwise required by the County, and who is fit and capable to perform the Bid as made.

To be responsive, a Bidder shall submit a Bid which conforms in all material respects to the requirements set forth in the Invitation for Bid. To be a responsible Bidder, the Bidder shall have the capability in all respects to perform fully the Contract requirements, and the tenacity, perseverance, experience, integrity, reliability, capacity, facilities, equipment, and credit which will assure good faith performance. Also, the County reserves the right to make such investigation as it deems necessary to determine the ability of any Bidder to furnish the service requested. Information the County deems necessary to make this determination shall be provided by the Bidder. Such information may include, but shall not be limited to current financial statements, verification of availability of equipment and personnel, and past performance records.

A.15 APPLICABLE LAWS

Bidder must be authorized to transact business in the State of Florida. All applicable laws and regulations of the State of Florida and ordinances and regulations of Manatee County will apply to any resulting Agreement. Any involvement with any Manatee County procurement shall be in accordance with Manatee County Purchasing Ordinance as amended. Any actual or prospective Bidder who is aggrieved in connection with the solicitation or award of a Contract may protest to the Board of County Commissioners of Manatee County as required in Manatee County Code of Laws.

A.16 COLLUSION

By offering a submission to this Invitation for Bid, the Bidder certifies that he has not divulged, discussed or compared their Bid with other Bidder, and has not colluded with any other Bidder or parties to this Bid whatsoever. Also, Bidder certifies, and in the case of a joint Bid each party thereto certifies as to their own organization, that in connection with this Bid:

A.16 COLLUSION (Continued)

- a. any prices and/or cost data submitted have been arrived at independently, without consultation, communication, or agreement, for the purpose of restricting competition, as to any matter relating to such prices and/or cost data, with any other Bidder or with any competitor;
- b. any prices and/or cost data quoted for this Bid have not been knowingly disclosed by the Bidder and will not knowingly be disclosed by the Bidder, prior to the scheduled opening, directly or indirectly to any other Bidder or to any competitor;
- c. no attempt has been made or will be made by the Bidder to induce any other person or firm to submit or not to submit a Bid for the purpose of restricting competition;
- d. the only person or persons interested in this Bid, principal or principals is/are named therein and that no person other than therein mentioned has any interest in this Bid or in the Contract to be entered into; and
- e. no person or agency has been employed or retained to solicit or secure this Contract upon an agreement or understanding or a commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee excepting bona fide employees or established commercial agencies maintained by Bidder for purpose of doing business.

A.17 CODE OF ETHICS

With respect to this Bid, if any Bidder violates, directly or indirectly, the ethics provisions of the Manatee County Purchasing Ordinance and/or Florida criminal or civil laws related to public procurement, including but not limited to Florida Statutes Chapter 112, Part II, Code of Ethics for Public Officers and Employees, such Bidder will be disqualified from eligibility to perform the Work described in this Invitation for Bid, and may also be disqualified from furnishing future goods or services to, and from submitting any future Bids to supply goods or services to, Manatee County.

By submitting a Bid, the Bidder represents to the County that all statements made and materials submitted are truthful, with no relevant facts withheld. If a Bidder is determined to have been untruthful in its Bid or any related presentation, such Bidder will be disqualified from eligibility to perform the Work described in this Invitation for Bid, and may also be disqualified from furnishing future goods or services to, and from submitting any future Bids to supply goods or services to, Manatee County.

A.18 BID FORMS

Bids must be submitted on attached County forms, although additional pages may be attached. **Bidders must fully complete all pages of the Bid Forms. Bid Forms must be executed by an authorized signatory who has the legal authority to make the offer and bind the company. Bidders must fully comply with all Bid specifications, terms and conditions.** Failure to comply shall result in Contract default, whereupon, the defaulting Contractor shall be required to pay for any and all re-procurement costs, damages, and attorney fees as incurred by the County.

A.19 LEGAL NAME

Bids shall clearly indicate the legal name, address and telephone number of the Bidder. Bids shall be signed above the typed or printed name and title of the signer. The signer must have the authority to bind the Bidder to the submitted Bid.

A.20 PUBLIC CONTRACTING AND ENVIRONMENTAL CRIMES

A person or affiliate who has been placed on the State's convicted vendor list following a conviction for a public entity crime, as that term is defined in Florida Statute (F.S.) § 287.133, may not submit a Bid, Proposal, or reply on a Contract to provide any goods or services to a public entity; may not submit a Bid, Proposal, or reply on a Contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work; may not submit Bids, Proposals or replies on leases of real property to a public entity; may not be awarded or perform work as a Contractor, Supplier, Subcontractor, or Consultant under a Contract with any public entity; and may not transact business with any public entity in excess of the threshold amount provided in F.S. § 287.017 for CATEGORY TWO for a period of thirty-six (36) months following the date of being placed on the convicted list.

In addition, the Manatee County Code of Laws prohibits the award of any Contract to any person or entity who/which has, within the past five (5) years, been convicted of, or admitted to in court or sworn to under oath, a public entity crime or of any environmental law that, in the reasonable opinion of the Purchasing Official, establishes reasonable grounds to believe the person or business entity will not conduct business in a responsible matter. To insure compliance with the foregoing, the Code requires all persons or entities desiring to Contract with the County to execute and file with the Purchasing Official an affidavit, executed under the pain and penalties of perjury, confirming that person, entity and any person(s) affiliated with the entity, does not have such a record and is therefore eligible to seek and be awarded business with the County. In the case of a business entity other than a partnership or a corporation, such affidavit shall be executed by an authorized agent of the entity. In the case of a partnership, such affidavit shall be executed by the general partner(s). A Public Contracting and Environmental Crimes Certification form is attached for this purpose.

A.21 DISCOUNTS

Any and all discounts must be incorporated in the prices contained in the Bid and not shown separately. The prices as shown on the Bid Form shall be the price used in determining Award.

A.22 TAXES

Manatee County is exempt from Federal Excise and State Sales Taxes. (F.E.T. Exempt Cert. No. 59-78-0089K; FL Sales Tax Exempt Cert. No. 85-8012622206C-6); therefore, the Contractor is prohibited from delineating a separate line item in his Bid for any sales or service taxes. Nothing herein shall affect the Contractor's normal tax liability.

A.23 DESCRIPTIVE INFORMATION

Unless otherwise specifically provided in the specifications, all equipment, materials and articles incorporated in the Work covered by this Contract shall be new and of the most suitable grade for the purpose intended. Unless otherwise specifically provided in the specifications, reference to any equipment, material, article or patented process, by trade name, brand name, make or catalog number, shall be regarded as establishing a standard of quality and shall not be construed as limiting competition.

A.24 AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT

The Board of County Commissioners of Manatee County, Florida, does not discriminate upon the basis of any individual's disability status. This non-discrimination policy involves every aspect of the County's functions including one's access to, participation, employment, or treatment in its programs or activities. Anyone requiring reasonable accommodation for an **Information Conference** or **Bid Opening** should contact the person named on the first page of this Bid document at least twenty-four (24) hours in advance of either activity.

A.25 EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY CLAUSE

In accordance with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and Title 15, Part 8 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Manatee County hereby notifies all prospective offerors that they will affirmatively ensure minority business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to participate in response to this advertisement and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color or national origin in consideration for an Award of Contract.

A.26 MBE/WBE

The State of Florida, **Office of Supplier Diversity** provides the certification process and the database for identifying certified MBE/WBE firms. This service may be directly accessed at: <http://www.osd.dms.state.fl.us/iframe.htm>

If you have any questions regarding this State service, please contact their office at (850) 487-0915.

A.27 MATHEMATICAL ERRORS

In the event of multiplication/extension error(s), the unit price shall prevail. In the event of addition error(s) the extension totals will prevail. All Bids shall be reviewed mathematically and corrected, if necessary, using these standards, prior to additional evaluation.

A.28 DISCLOSURE

Upon receipt, all inquiries and responses to inquiries related to this Invitation for Bid becomes "Public Records", and shall be subject to public disclosure consistent with Chapter 119, Florida Statutes.

Bids become subject to disclosure thirty (30) days after the opening or if a notice of intended Award decision is made earlier than this time as provided by F.S. 119.071(1)(b). No announcement or review of the offer shall be conducted at the public opening. If the County rejects all offers and concurrently notices its intent to reissue the solicitation, initial offers are exempt until the County provides notice of its intended decision, or thirty (30) days after the opening of the new offers.

Based on the above, Manatee County will receive Bids at the date and time stated, and will make public at the opening the names of the business entities of all that submitted an offer and any amount presented as a total offer without any verification of the mathematics or the completeness of the offer. Upon the expiration of the statutory term for exemption the actual documents may be inspected or copied. When County staff have completed a mathematic validation and inspected the completeness of the offers, tabulation shall be posted on www.myanatee.org.

A.29 DAVIS-BACON ACT – PREVAILING MINIMUM WAGE

This project is funded through the Recovery Zone Economic Development Bonds Act (RZEDBs) and subject to the Prevailing Minimum Wage – Davis-Bacon Act. For this Contract, payment of predetermined minimum wages applies. The U.S. Department of Labor Wage Rates applicable to this Contract is listed in **Wage Decision Number (s) FL120165 (04/06/2012) FL 24 Construction Type: Heavy Construction Projects (Including Sewer and Water Lines) Manatee County Florida**, as modified up through ten (10) days prior to the opening of bids. A copy of the Wage Decision Number (s) FL120165 is made a part of this bidding document

NOTE: ANY OR ALL STATEMENTS CONTAINED IN THE FOLLOWING SECTIONS: BASIS OF AWARD, TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE CONTRACT, OR SPECIFICATIONS, WHICH VARY FROM THE INFORMATION TO BIDDERS, SHALL HAVE PRECEDENCE.

END OF SECTION A

SECTION 00020
BASIS OF AWARD

B.01 BASIS OF AWARD

Award shall be to the lowest, responsive, responsible Bidder meeting specifications and having the lowest Total Bid Price for **Bid "A"**, or the lowest Total Bid Price for **Bid "B"**, for the requirements listed on the Bid Form for the Work as set forth in this Invitation for Bid. Bid prices shall include costs for furnishing all labor, equipment and/or materials for the completion of the Work in accordance with and in the manner set forth and described in the Contract documents to the County's satisfaction within the prescribed time.

Two schedules for Completion of the Work shall be considered. Each Bid for completion by the specified stated time shall be offered as a separate "Total Bid Price". The County has the sole authority to select the Bid based on the completion time which is in the best interest of the County. Only one Award shall be made.

NOTE: Inspection of the site is a pre-requisite to be considered for award of this Bid.

In evaluating Bids, the County shall consider the qualifications of the Bidders; and if required, may also consider the qualifications of the Subcontractors, Suppliers, and other persons and organizations proposed. County may also consider the operating costs, maintenance requirements, performance data and guarantees of major items of materials and equipment proposed for incorporation in the Work.

Whenever two or more Bids are equal with respect to price, the Bid received from a local business shall be given preference in Award. Whenever two or more Bids which are equal with respect to price are received, and neither of these Bids are from a local business, the Award shall be determined by a chance drawing, coin toss, or similar tie-breaking method conducted by the Purchasing Division and open to the public.

B.02 SUBCONTRACTORS

Subcontractors shall be bound by the terms and conditions of this Contract insofar as it applies to their work, but this shall not relieve the prime Contractor from the full responsibility of the County for the proper completion of all Work to be executed under this Contract.

The employment of unauthorized aliens by any Contractor is considered a violation of Section 274 (e) of the Immigration and Employment Act. If the Contractor knowingly employs unauthorized aliens, such violation shall be cause for unilateral cancellation of this Agreement.

B.03 QUALIFICATIONS OF BIDDERS

No person who is not certified or registered as a General Contractor or an Underground Utility Contractor pursuant to the terms of Florida Statutes Chapter 489 on the day the Bid is submitted, and who has continuously held that certification or registration for a period of at least five (5) consecutive years immediately prior to the day the Bid is submitted, may be qualified to bid on this project. In the event that a Bidder is a business organization, including a partnership, corporation, business trust or other legal entity as set forth in F.S. 489.119(2), then the Bidder shall only be qualified to bid on this project if: 1) the Bidder (the business organization) is on the day the Bid is submitted, and for at least five (5) consecutive years immediately prior to the day the Bid is submitted has been, in continuous existence, properly licensed and registered as required by Florida law; and 2) the Bidder, on the day the Bid is submitted, has a certified or registered Qualifying Agent, as required by F.S. 489.119, and that Qualifying Agent has been the same Qualifying Agent of the Bidder for a period of at least five (5) consecutive years immediately prior to the day the Bid is submitted.

A complete list of all Subcontractors proposed for any portion of the Work may be requested of any Bidder deemed necessary by the County. Subcontracts shall be awarded only to those Subcontractors considered satisfactory by the County.

B.04 PREPARATION OF CONTRACT

A written notice confirming Award or recommendation thereof will be forwarded to the successful Bidder accompanied by the required number of unsigned counterparts of the Agreement. Within ten (10) days thereafter, successful Bidder shall sign and deliver the required number of counterparts of the Agreement with any other required documents to County. (Note: Contract must be approved in accordance with the Manatee County Code of Laws, Chapter 2-26, Manatee County Purchasing Ordinance and the Administrative Standards and Procedures Manual approved by the County Administrator).

B.05 INSPECTION OF SITE

Inspection of the site is a requirement to be considered for award of this Contract. Prior to submitting a Bid Form, each Bidder shall examine the site and all conditions thereon fully familiarizing themselves with the full scope of the project. Failure to become familiar with site conditions will in no way relieve the successful Bidder from the necessity of furnishing any materials or performing any Work that is required to complete the project in accordance with the plans and specifications. Site visit (s) shall be acknowledged in Section 00300, Bid Form page # 00300-1.

END OF SECTION B

SECTION 00030

GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE CONTRACT**C.01 CONTRACT FORMS**

The Agreement resulting from the acceptance of a Bid shall be in the form of the Agreement stated in this Bid.

C.02 ASSIGNMENT OF CONTRACT

Contractor shall not assign, transfer, convey, sublet or otherwise dispose of this Contract or of his right, title, or interest therein, or his power to execute such Contract, or to assign any monies due or to become due there under to any other person, firm or corporation unless first obtaining the written consent of the County. The giving of such consent to a particular Subcontractor assignment shall not dispense with the necessity of such consent to any further or other assignment.

C.03 COMPLETION OF WORK

The Work will be completed and ready for final inspection within the specified calendar days from the date the Contract time commences to run. Two Bids shall be considered, **Bid "A"** based on **365 calendar days** and **Bid "B"** based on **300 calendar days**. The County has the sole authority to select the Bid based on the completion time which is in the best interest of the County. Only one Award shall be made.

C.04 LIQUIDATED DAMAGES

If the Contractor refuses or fails to prosecute the Work, or any separable part thereof, with such diligence as will hinder its completion within the time specified, the County may seek damages. The actual damages for delay will be impossible to determine and in lieu thereof, the Contractor shall pay to the County the sum of **one thousand, one hundred forty-eight dollars (\$1148.00)** as fixed, agreed, and liquidated damages for each calendar day of the delay until the Work is finally accepted by the County and the Contractor and his Surety shall be liable for the amount thereof.

C.05 PAYMENT

Contractor may apply for partial payment on monthly estimates, based on the amount of work done or completed in compliance with the provisions of the Contract. Contractor shall submit an application, on a standard pay application form provided or approved by the County, of an approximate estimate of the proportionate value of the Work done, items and locations of the Work performed up to and including the last day of the period then ending. The County will then review said estimate and make any necessary revisions so that the estimate can receive approval for payment. If the Contractor and the County do not agree on the approximate estimate of the proportionate value of the Work done for any pay period, the determination of the County will be binding. The amount of said estimate after deducting any required retainage and all previous payments shall be due and payable to the Contractor, twenty (20) business days if County is its own Engineer of Record (EOR) or twenty-five (25) business days if outside agent

C.05 PAYMENT (Continued)

approval is required after the pay estimate has been approved by the agent for the County.

In accordance with the Prompt Payment Act, F.S. § 218.735(7), a Punch List shall be formulated.

Time allowed for development of punch list:

1. Awarded Contracts with an estimated cost of less than \$10 million will be within thirty (30) calendar days after reaching substantial completion. Substantial completion is defined as reaching beneficial occupancy or use.
2. Awarded Contracts with a cost of \$10 million dollars or more will be within thirty (30) calendar days OR if extended by Contract, up to sixty (60) calendar days after reaching substantial completion. Substantial completion is defined as reaching beneficial occupancy or use.

The final Contract completion date must be at least thirty (30) days after delivery of the list of items. If the list is not provided to the awarded Contractor by the agreed upon date, the Contract completion time must be extended by the number of days the County exceeds the delivery date.

It is the Contractor's responsibility for the care of the materials. Any damage to or loss of said materials is the full responsibility of the Contractor. Any periodical pay estimate signed by the Contractor shall be final as to the Contractor for any or all Work covered by the periodical pay estimate.

Any requests for payment of materials stored on site must be accompanied with a paid receipt. The Contractor warrants and guarantees that title to all work, materials and equipment covered by any application for payment, whether incorporated in the project or not, will pass to the County at the time of payment free and clear of all liens, claims, security interests and encumbrances (hereafter referred to as "Liens").

The Contractor agrees to furnish an affidavit stating that all laborers, material men, and Subcontractors have been paid on the project for Work covered by the application for payment and that a partial or complete release of lien, as may be necessary, be properly executed by the material men, laborers, Subcontractors on the project for Work covered by the application for payment, sufficient to secure the County from any claim whatsoever arising out of the aforesaid Work.

When the Contractor has completed the Work in compliance with the terms of the Contract documents, he shall notify the County in writing that the project is ready for final inspection. The County will then advise the Contractor as to the arrangements for final inspection and what Work, if any, is required to prepare the project or a portion thereof for final inspection. When the County determines the project or portion thereof is ready for final inspection, the County shall perform same. Upon completion of final inspection, the County will notify Contractor of all particulars in

C.05 PAYMENT (Continued)

which this inspection reveals that the Work is incomplete or defective. Contractor shall immediately take such measures as are necessary to complete such Work or remedy such deficiencies. When all such errors have been corrected, a final re-inspection will be made. The process will be repeated until, in the opinion of the County, the project has been completed in compliance with the terms of the Contract documents.

When final acceptance has been made by the County, the County will make final payment of the Contract amount, plus all approved additions, less approved deductions and previous payments made. The Contract will be considered complete when all Work has been finished, the final inspection made, approved as-builts received, and the project finally accepted in writing by the County. The Contractor's responsibility shall then terminate except as otherwise stated.

C.06 RETAINAGE

A retainage of 10% the total Work in place shall be withheld until 50% complete. After 50% completion, the retainage shall be reduced to 5% of the total Work in place until final completion and acceptance of the Work by the County. Upon final acceptance, the remaining retainage shall be included in the final payment.

C.07 WARRANTY AND GUARANTEE PROVISIONS

All work, materials, and equipment furnished as defined herein shall be guaranteed and warranted by the Contractor for a minimum period of three (3) years, unless otherwise specified, from final acceptance by the County to be free from defects due either to faulty materials or equipment or faulty workmanship.

All materials, equipment, and workmanship furnished and installed by the Contractor is warranted and guaranteed by the Contractor to meet the required standards and to accomplish the purposes and functions of the project as defined, detailed, and specified herein.

The County shall, following discovery thereof, promptly give written notice to the Contractor of faulty materials, equipment, or workmanship within the period of the guarantee and the Contractor shall promptly replace any part of the faulty equipment, material, or workmanship at his own cost. These warranty and guarantee provisions create no limitations on the County as to any claims or actions for breach of guaranty or breach of warranty that the County might have against parties other than the Contractor, and do not constitute exclusive remedies of the County against the Contractor.

C.08 ROYALTIES AND PATENTS

The Contractor shall pay all royalties and license fees for equipment or processes in conjunction with the equipment and/or services being furnished. Contractor shall defend all suits or claims for infringement of any patent, trademark or copyright, and shall save the County harmless from loss on account thereof, including costs and attorney's fees.

C.09 AUTHORIZED PRODUCT REPRESENTATION

The Contractor, by virtue of submitting the name and specifications of a manufacturer's product, will be required to furnish the named manufacturer's product. Failure to perform accordingly may, in the County's sole discretion, be deemed a breach of Contract, and shall constitute grounds for the County's immediate termination of the Contract.

C.10 REGULATIONS

It shall be the responsibility of the Bidder to assure compliance with any OSHA, EPA and/or other federal or State of Florida rules, regulations or other requirements, as each may apply.

C.11 CANCELLATION

Any failure of the Contractor to furnish or perform the Work (including, but not limited to, commencement of the Work, failure to supply sufficient skilled workers or suitable materials or equipment) in accordance with the Contract, the County may order the stop of the Work, or any portion thereof, until the cause for such order has been eliminated. If the Contractor persistently fails to perform the Work in accordance with the Contract, the County reserves the right to terminate the Contract and select the next qualified Bidder or re-advertise this procurement in part or in whole. The County reserves the right to cancel all or any undelivered or unexecuted portion of this Contract with or without cause.

C.12 INDEMNIFICATION

The Contractor covenants and agrees to indemnify and save harmless the County, its agents and employees, from and against all claims, suits, actions, damages, causes of action, or judgments arising out of the terms of the resulting Agreement for any personal injury, loss of life, or damage to the property sustained as a result of the performance or non-performance of services or delivery of goods; from and against any orders, judgments, or decrees, which may be entered against the County, its agents or employees; and from and against all costs, attorney's fees, expenses and other liabilities incurred in the defense of any such claim, suit or action, and the investigation thereof. Nothing in the Award, resulting Agreement, Contract or Purchase Order shall be deemed to affect the rights, privileges and immunities of the County as set forth in F.S. § 768.28.

C.13 MANUALS, SCHEMATICS, HANDBOOKS (IF APPLICABLE)

All manuals, schematics and handbooks shall be provided which are applicable to the equipment delivered. An operators manual, parts manual and technician manual must also be provided. Parts lists (manuals) must include OEM part numbers for items not manufactured by the Bidder. Contractor shall furnish two (2) copies of each.

C.14 INSURANCE

The Contractor will not commence Work under a Contract until all insurance under this section and such insurance coverage as might be required by the County has been obtained. The Contractor shall obtain, and submit to purchasing within ten (10) calendar days of request, at his expense, the following minimum amounts of insurance (inclusive of any amounts provided by an umbrella or excess policy):

a. Workers' Compensation/Employers' Liability

Part One - There shall be no maximum limit (other than as limited by the applicable statute) for liability imposed by Florida Workers' Compensation Act or any other coverage required by the Contract documents which are customarily insured under Part One of the standard Workers' Compensation Policy.

Part Two - The minimum amount of coverage required by the Contract documents which are customarily insured under Part Two of the standard Workers' Compensation Policy shall be:

(Each Accident)	<u>\$100,000</u>
(Disease-Policy Limit)	<u>\$500,000</u>
(Disease-Each Employee)	<u>\$100,000</u>

b. Commercial General Liability

The limits are to be applicable only to Work performed under this Contract and shall be those that would be provided with the attachment of the Amendment of Limits of Insurance (Designated Project or Premises) endorsement (ISO Form CG 25 03) a Commercial General Liability Policy with the following minimum limits.

General Aggregate:

Products/Completed Operations Aggregate	<u>\$1,000,000</u>
Personal and Advertising Injury	<u>\$1,000,000</u>
Each Occurrence	<u>\$1,000,000</u>
Fire Damage (Any One Fire)	<u>\$Nil</u>
Medical Expense (Any One Person)	<u>\$Nil</u>

c. Business Auto Policy

Each Occurrence Bodily Injury and Property Damage Liability Combined	<u>\$ 300,000</u>
Annual Aggregate (if applicable)	<u>\$1,000,000</u>

d. County's Protective Liability Coverage

The minimum Owner's Protective OPC Policy limits per occurrence and, if subject to an aggregate, annual aggregate to be provided by the Contractor shall be the same as the amounts shown above as the minimum per occurrence and general policy aggregate limits respectively required for the Commercial General Liability coverage. The limits afforded by the OPC Policy and any excess policies shall apply only to the County and the County's officials, officers, agents and employees and only to claims arising out of or in connection with the Work under this Contract.

C.14 INSURANCE (Continued)**e. Property Insurance**

If this Contract includes construction of or additions to above ground buildings or structures, Contractor shall provide "**Builder's Risk**" insurance with the minimum amount of insurance to be 100% of the value of such addition(s), building(s), or structure(s).

f. Installation Floater

If this Contract does not include construction of or additions to above ground building or structures, **but does involve** the installation of machinery or equipment, Contractor shall provide an "**Installation Floater**" with the minimum amount of insurance to be 100% of the value of such addition(s), building(s), or structure(s).

g. Certificates of Insurance and Copies of Policies

Certificates of Insurance in triplicate evidencing the insurance coverage specified in the six above paragraphs a., b., c., d., e., and f., shall be filed with the Purchasing Official before operations are begun. The required certificates of insurance shall name the types of policy, policy number, date of expiration, amount of coverage, companies affording coverage, and also shall refer specifically to the Bid number, project title and location of project. Insurance shall remain in force at least one year after completion and acceptance of the project by the County, in the amounts and types as stated herein, with coverage for all products and services completed under this Contract.

ADDITIONAL INSURED:

Manatee County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida, shall be specifically named as additional insured on all policies.

If the initial insurance expires prior to the completion of operations and/or services by the Contractor, renewal certificates of insurance and required copies of policies shall be furnished by the Contractor and delivered to the Purchasing Official thirty (30) days prior to the date of their expiration. Nothing herein shall in any manner create any liability of the County in connection with any claim against the Contractor for labor, services, or materials, or of Subcontractors; and nothing herein shall limit the liability of the Contractor or Contractor's sureties to the County or to any workers, suppliers, material men or employees in relation to this Contract.

C.14 INSURANCE (Continued)

h. Certification Requirements – In order for the certificate of insurance to be accepted it must comply with the following:

1. The certificate holder shall be:
Manatee County Board of Commissioners
P.O. Box 1000
Bradenton, FL 34206-1000
2. Certificate shall be mailed to:
Manatee County Purchasing Division
1112 Manatee Avenue West, Suite 803
Bradenton, FL 34205
Attn: Olga Valcich, Contract Specialist

C.15 BID BOND/CERTIFIED CHECK

By offering a submission to this Invitation for Bid, the Bidder agrees should the Bidder's Bid be accepted, **to execute the form of Contract and present the same to Manatee County for approval within ten (10) days after being notified of the awarding of the Contract.** The Bidder further agrees that failure to execute and deliver said form of Contract **within ten (10) days** will result in damages to Manatee County and as guarantee of payment of same a Bid Bond/Certified Check shall be enclosed within the submitted sealed Bid in the amount of five (5%) percent of the total amount of the Bid. The Bidder further agrees that in case the Bidder fails to enter into a Contract, as prescribed by Manatee County, the Bid Bond/Certified Check accompanying the Bid shall be forfeited to Manatee County as agreed liquidated damages. If the County enters into a Contract with a Bidder, or if the County rejects any and/or all Bids, accompanying bond will be promptly returned.

C.16 PERFORMANCE AND PAYMENT BONDS

The successful Bidder shall furnish surety bonds using the Public Construction Bond form prescribed in F.S. § 255.05, which is provided herein, as security for faithful performance of the Contract awarded as a result of this Bid and for the payment of all persons performing labor and/or furnishing material in connection therewith. Failure to provide the required bonds on the prescribed form may result in successful Bidder being deemed nonresponsive. Bonds must be in the form prescribed in F.S. § 255.05, and must not contain notice, demand or other terms and conditions, including informal pre-claim meetings, not provided for in F.S. § 255.05.

Surety of such bonds shall be in an amount equal to the Bid Award (100% each) issued by a duly authorized and nationally recognized surety company, authorized to do business in the State of Florida, satisfactory to this County. The attorney-in-fact who signs the bonds must file with the bonds, a certificate and effective dated copy of power-of-attorney. Performance and Payment Bonds shall be issued to Manatee County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida, within fourteen (14) calendar days after notification of Intent to Award.

C.16 PERFORMANCE AND PAYMENT BONDS (Continued)

In addition, pursuant to F.S. § 255.05(1)(b), prior to commencing Work, the Contractor shall be responsible and bear all costs associated to record the Performance and Payment Bond with the Manatee County Clerk of the Circuit Court. A certified copy of said recording shall be furnished to the Purchasing Division upon filing. Pursuant to F.S. § 255.05(1)(b), the County will make no payment to the Contractor until the Contractor has complied with this paragraph.

Furnishing of the recorded Performance and Payment Bonds shall be requisite to execution of a Contract with the County. Said Performance and Payment Bonds will remain in force for the duration of the Contract with the premiums paid by the Contractor. Failure of the successful Bidder to execute such Contract and to supply the required bonds shall be just cause for cancellation of the Award. The County may then contract with another acceptable Bidder or re-advertise this Invitation for Bid. If another Bidder is accepted, and notice given within ninety (90) days after the opening of the Bids, this acceptance shall bind the Bidder as though they were originally the successful Bidder.

Failure of the County at any time to require performance by the Contractor of any provisions set out in the Contract will in no way affect the right of the County, thereafter, to enforce those provisions.

C.17 NO DAMAGES FOR DELAY

No claim for damages or any claim other than for an extension of time shall be made or asserted against the County by reason of any delays. The Contractor shall not be entitled to an increase in the Total Contract Price or payment or compensation of any kind from the County or direct, indirect, consequential impact or other costs, expenses for damages, including but not limited to costs of acceleration or inefficiency arising because of delay, disruption, interference or hindrance from any cause whatsoever; provided, however, that this provision shall not preclude recovery or damages by the Contractor for hindrance or delays due solely to fraud, bad faith, or active interference on part of the County or its agents. Otherwise, the Contractor shall only be entitled to extensions of the Contract time as the sole and exclusive remedy for such resulting delay, in accordance with and to the extent specifically provided above.

C.18 NO INTEREST

Any monies not paid by the County when claimed to be due to the Contractor under this Contract shall not be subject to interest including prejudgment interest. Any monies not paid by the County when claimed to be due to the Contractor for damages awarded in the case of construction delays shall not be subject to prejudgment interest.

C.19 CONSTRUCTION OF CONTRACT

This Contract and the rights and responsibilities hereunder shall not be construed more strongly against either party, regardless of the extent to which such party may have participated in the preparation hereof.

C.20 BE GREEN

All Bidders are encouraged to use as many **environmentally preferable** "green" products, materials, supplies, etc. as possible in order to promote a safe and healthy environment. **Environmentally preferable are products or services that have a reduced adverse effect on the environment.** Provide detail of your organization's initiative and its ability to meet the goal of environmental sustainability.

END OF SECTION C

SECTION 00100
BID SUMMARY

D.01 THE WORK

The Work of this contract consists of the construction of approximately 2,860 linear feet of 10 inch, 2,030 linear feet of 12 inch, 1,030 linear feet of 14 inch and 1,120 linear feet of 16 inch sanitary sewer force mains; constructing two (2) new auger borings under 14th Street West (US41); constructing a replacement force main under Bowlees Creek; removing and replacing existing public and private infrastructure necessary to construct the work; restoration of all public and private infrastructure impacted by the work; and related work at the locations shown on the drawings. Replacement force mains will be installed by horizontal directional drilling (HDD), and open-cut construction methods where shown on the drawings.

The project pipeline design alignment and construction drawings have been prepared based upon the use of high density polyethylene (HDPE) pipe and lined ductile iron fittings.

The Contractor shall furnish all shop drawings, work drawings, labor, materials, equipment tools, services and incidentals necessary to complete all work required by these Specifications and as shown on the Contract Drawings.

The Contractor shall perform the work complete, in place and ready for continuous service and shall include any repairs, replacements, and /or restoration required as a result of damages caused prior to acceptance by the County.

The Contractor shall furnish and install all materials, equipment and labor which is reasonably and properly inferable and necessary for the proper completion of the work, whether specifically indicated in the Contract Documents or not.

The apparent silence of the Specifications as to any detail, or the apparent omission from them of a detailed description concerning any work to be done and materials to be furnished, shall be regarded as meaning that only the best general practice is to prevail and that only material and workmanship of the best quality is to be used, and interpretation of these Specifications shall be made upon that basis.

D.02 SUBCONTRACTORS, SUPPLIERS AND OTHERS

The identity of Subcontractors, Suppliers, and other persons and organizations (including those who are to furnish the principal items of material and equipment) may be requested by the County for each Bid item from any of the Bidders; and the Bidder shall respond within five (5) days after the date of such request. Such list shall be accompanied by an experience statement with pertinent information regarding similar projects and other evidence of qualification for each such Subcontractor, Supplier, persons or organization if requested by County. If County, after due investigation, has reasonable objection to any proposed Subcontractor, supplier, other person or organization, County may, before the Notice of Award is given, request the apparent successful Bidder to submit an acceptable substitute without an increase in Contract price or Contract time.

D.02 SUBCONTRACTORS, SUPPLIERS AND OTHERS (Continued)

If apparent successful Bidder declines to make any such substitution, County may award the Contract to the next lowest qualified Bidder that proposes to use acceptable Subcontractors, Suppliers, and other persons who County does not make written objection to Contractor shall not be required to employ any Subcontractor, Supplier, other person or organization who Contractor has reasonable objection to.

Subcontractors shall be bound by the terms and conditions of this Contract insofar as it applies to their work, but this shall not relieve the prime Contractor from the full responsibility to the County for the proper completion of all Work to be executed under this Contract.

D.03 BIDS

Bids are to be submitted in **triplicate, one original and two copies**, upon the County supplied forms. All blank spaces must be filled in as noted with amounts extended and totaled and no changes shall be made in the wording of the forms or in the items mentioned therein. In the event a change is made in your submittal, the Bidder shall write its initials by the change. Any Bid may be rejected which contains any omissions, alterations, irregularities of any kind, or which shall in any manner fail to conform to Bid requirements.

A Bid made by an individual, either in his/her own or proper person or under a trade or firm name, shall be executed under the individual's signature. If made by a partnership, the Bid shall be executed by two or more of the general partners. If made by a corporation, the Bid shall be executed by its President or other legally authorized corporate officer or agent.

D.04 EXAMINATION OF CONTRACT DOCUMENTS AND SITE

It is the responsibility of each Bidder before submitting a Bid, to (a) examine the Bid documents thoroughly; (b) visit the site to become familiar with local conditions that may affect cost, progress, performance, or furnishing of the Work; (c) consider federal, state, and local codes, laws, and regulations that may affect costs, progress, performance, or furnishing of the Work; (d) study and carefully correlate Bidder's observations with the Bid documents; and (e) notify County of all conflicts, errors, or discrepancies in the Bid document.

The accuracy of the existing utility locations shown on the plans is approximate and without express or implied warranty. Each Bidder may, at Bidder's own expense, make or obtain any additional examinations, investigations, explorations, tests and studies, and obtain any additional information and data which pertain to the physical conditions at or contiguous to the site or otherwise which may affect cost, progress, performance or furnishing of the Work and which Bidder deems necessary to determine his Bid for performing and furnishing the Work in accordance with the time, price and other terms and conditions of the Contract documents. County will provide each Bidder access to the site to conduct such explorations and tests.

D.04 EXAMINATION OF CONTRACT DOCUMENTS AND SITE (Continued)

Bidder shall fill all holes, clean up and restore the site to its former condition upon completion of such explorations. The lands upon which the Work is to be performed, rights-of-way and easements for access thereto, and other lands designated for use by Contractor in performing the Work are identified in the Contract documents.

All additional lands and access thereto required for temporary construction facilities or storage of materials and equipment are to be provided by Contractor. Easements for permanent structures or permanent changes in existing structures are to be obtained and paid for by County unless otherwise provided in the Contract documents.

D.05 MATERIALS AND WORKMANSHIP

All materials and apparatus required for this Work, except as specified otherwise, shall be new, of first class quality, and shall be furnished, delivered, connected and finished in every detail. Construction shall be prescribed by good industry practice and in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations for the type being installed.

Use skilled workman trained and experienced in the necessary trades and who are completely familiar with the specified requirements and the methods needed for proper performance of the Work of this section.

D.06 REGULATIONS AND MATERIAL DISPOSAL

It shall be the responsibility of the Contractor to assure compliance with any OSHA, EPA, federal, state, and/or local rules, regulations or other requirements as each may apply.

D.07 PROJECT CLOSE-OUT

Clean construction site and remove any and all excess materials. Correct any damages to property that may have occurred as a result of installation and/or delivery. Repair and patch all surfaces cut for installation. The Contractor shall remedy any deficiencies promptly should the County determine any Work is incomplete or defective.

When the County determines the Work is acceptable in accordance with this Invitation for Bid, the Contractor shall provide the close out submittals, including but not necessarily limited to the following:

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| 1 set | Certificate of Warranties | |
| 1 set | Manufacturer's Product Literature | (when applicable) |
| 1 set | Project Record Drawings | |
| 1 set | Subcontractor Information | (when applicable) |

D.08 DISCRETIONARY WORK

This Bid item entails minor increases (that may be directed by staff) to existing Bid item quantities or minor modification items not bid which were unforeseen and necessary during the construction to provide a safe, complete project in accordance with Bid documents. (This will not affect the requirement for change orders involving major modifications to the project.) Payment for all Work under this item shall be made only at the County's discretion in order to satisfactorily complete the project. In general, this item is for unanticipated conflicts and/or design changes required during construction which are necessary to complete the project without changing the initial Scope of Work and without costly delays.

D.09 PROGRESS REQUIREMENTS

All Work done under this Contract shall be done with a minimum of inconvenience to the private property owners in the area. The Contractor shall coordinate his Work with private property owners such that existing utility services are maintained and they have access to their property at all times.

END OF SECTION D

SECTION 00150

MANATEE COUNTY LOCAL PREFERENCE LAW AND VENDOR REGISTRATION**E.01 Vendor Registration**

All vendors are encouraged to register with Manatee County using the on-line "Vendor Registration" web page on www.mymanatee.org.

Enclosed are a copy of the current Manatee County law that details the County's Local Preference and the County's definition of a local business.

If you assert that your firm meets the stated definition of a local business, we ask that in addition to registering on the County's web page, you fill out the attached "**Affidavit As To Local Business Form**" that is included in this section, have the completed document notarized, and mail the original to the following address: Manatee County Purchasing Division, 1112 Manatee Avenue West, Suite 803, Bradenton, FL 34205.

Your cooperation in registering your business with Manatee County will enhance our opportunities to identify sources for goods and services, plus identify local businesses. This information is used for soliciting quotations up to \$250,000.00 and for competitive solicitations of larger purchases.

You will note that Manatee County collaborates with the Manatee Chamber of Commerce, posting Bids on www.manateechamber.com as well as using the same vendor categories for registration.

Our staff can assist you with your registration as needed. Our office hours are 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M., Monday through Friday on regular business days. Please call (941) 749-3014 if you wish to have a Purchasing staff member assist you.

Quick steps to registration: **www.mymanatee.org**

A link to "Purchasing" is listed under "Quick Links" on page one of the County web site.

On the left hand side of the Purchasing web page, click on "Vendor Registration".

This will bring up the Vendor Registration form for on-line input. Please note that the definition of a "local business" changed on March 17, 2009. The web page will be updated to include the current law which has been provided in this section of the Bid.

Thank you for reviewing this information and considering registering your business with Manatee County. Registration is not mandatory; however, by taking the time to register, you are helping the County to provide timely notifications of Quotation, Bid and Proposal opportunities to your business.

E.02 Section 2-26-6. Local preference, tie Bids, local business defined.

- a) Whenever a responsible local business Bidder and a responsible non-local business Bidder are found, upon the opening of Bids, to have both submitted the lowest responsive Bid, the Bid of the local Bidder shall be awarded the Contract. Should more than one responsible local business Bidder match the responsible non-local business Bidder's lowest responsive Bid, or should no responsible local business Bidder match the lowest responsive Bid but two or more responsible non-local business Bidders submit lowest responsive Bids for equal amounts, then the Award of the Contract shall be determined by a chance drawing, coin toss, or similar tie-breaking method conducted by the Purchasing Division and open to the public. Any Bidders seeking to be recognized as local businesses for purposes of this local business preference provision may be required by the terms of the Bid announcement to certify they meet the definition of local business set forth in this section, and to register as a local business with the County in the manner prescribed by the County to facilitate the County's ability to track the Award of Contracts to local businesses and to allow the County to provide future notifications to its local businesses concerning other Bidding opportunities.
- b) Nothing herein shall be deemed to prohibit the inclusion of requirements with respect to operating and maintaining a local place of business in any Invitation for Bids when the Bidder's location materially affects the provisions of the services or supplies that are required by the invitation.
- c) **Local business is defined as a business legally authorized to engage in the sale of the goods and/or services to be procured, and which certifies within its Bid that for at least six (6) months prior to the announcement of the solicitation of Bids it has maintained a physical place of business in Manatee, Desoto, Hardee, Hillsborough, Pinellas or Sarasota County with at least one full-time employee at that location.**
- d) **Each solicitation for Bids made by the County shall contain terms expressly describing the local business preference policies of the County, and shall provide that by electing to submit a Bid pursuant to an Invitation for Bid, all Bidders are deemed to understand and agree to those policies.**
- e) For all Contracts for architecture, professional engineering, or other professional services governed by Florida Statute § 287.055, the Consultants' Competitive Negotiation Act, the County shall include the local business status of a firm among the factors considered when selecting which firms are "most highly qualified." In determining which firm is the "most qualified" for purposes of negotiating a satisfactory Contract, preference shall be given to a local business where all other relevant factors are equal.

E.02 Section 2-26-6. Local preference, tie Bids, **local business defined** (Continued)

f) Local preference shall not apply to the following categories of Contracts:

1. Goods or services provided under a cooperative purchasing agreement or similar "piggyback" contract;
2. Contracts for professional services subject to Florida Statute § 287.055, the Consultants' Competitive Negotiation Act, except as provided for in subsection (e) above;
3. Purchases or Contracts which are funded, in whole or in part, by a governmental or other funding entity, where the terms and conditions of receipt of the funds prohibit the preference;
4. Purchases or Contracts made pursuant to a non-competitive award process, unless otherwise provided by this section;
5. Any Bid announcement which specifically provides that the general local preference policies set forth in this section are suspended due to the unique nature of the goods or services sought, the existence of an emergency as found by either the County Commission or County Administrator, or where such suspension is, in the opinion of the County Attorney, required by law.

g) To qualify for local preference under this section, **a local business must certify to the County that it:**

1. Has not within the five (5) years prior to the Bid announcement admitted guilt or been found guilty by any court or state or federal regulatory enforcement agency of violation of any criminal law, or a law or administrative regulation regarding fraud;
2. Is not currently subject to an unresolved citation or notice of violation of any Manatee County Code provision, except citations or notices which are the subject of a current legal appeal, as of the date of the Bid announcement;
3. Is not delinquent in the payment of any fines, liens, assessments, fees or taxes to any governmental unit or taxing authority within Manatee County, except any such sums which are the subject of a current legal appeal.

Ref: Ordinance 09-21 and 09-23 **PASSED AND DULY ADOPTED** in open session, with a quorum present and voting, on the 17th day of March, 2009.

END OF SECTION E

**MANATEE COUNTY GOVERNMENT
AFFIDAVIT AS TO LOCAL BUSINESS
(Complete and Initial Items B-F)**

A. Authorized Representative

I, [name] _____, am the [title] _____ and the duly authorized representative of: [name of business] _____, and that I possess direct personal knowledge to make informed responses to these certifications and the legal authority to make this Affidavit on behalf of myself and the business for which I am acting; and by electing to submit a Bid pursuant to this Invitation for Bids, shall be deemed to understand and agree to the local business preference policies of Manatee County; and that I have the direct knowledge to state that this firm complies with all of the following conditions to be considered to be a local business as required by the Manatee County Code of Law, Section 2-26-6.

B. Place of Business: I certify that the above business is legally authorized to engage in the sale of goods and/or services and has a physical place of business in Manatee, DeSoto, Hardee, Hillsborough, Pinellas or Sarasota County with at least one (1) fulltime employee at that location. The physical address of the location which meets the above criteria is: _____ [Initial] _____

Business Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

C. Business History: I certify that business operations began at the above physical address with at least one fulltime employee on [date] _____ [Initial] _____

D. Criminal Violations: I certify that within the past five (5) years of the date of this Bid announcement, this business has not admitted guilt nor been found guilty by any court or local, state or federal regulatory enforcement agency of violation of any criminal law or administrative regulation regarding fraud. [Initial] _____

E. Citations or Code Violations: I certify that this business is not currently subject to any unresolved citation or notice of violation of any Manatee County Code provision, with the exception of citations or notices which are the subject of a legal current appeal within the date of this Bid announcement. [Initial] _____

F. Fees and Taxes: I certify that this business is not delinquent in the payment of fines, liens, assessments, fees or taxes to any governmental unit or taxing authority within Manatee County, with the exception of those which are the subject of a current legal appeal. [Initial] _____

Each of the above certifications is required to meet the qualification of "local business" under Manatee County Code of Laws, 2-26-6.

Signature of Affiant _____

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF _____

Sworn to (or affirmed) and subscribed before me this _____ day of _____, 20____, by (name of person making statement).

(Notary Seal) Signature of Notary: _____

Name of Notary: (Typed or Printed) _____

Personally Known _____ OR Produced Identification _____ Type of Identification Produced _____

Submit executed copy to Manatee County Purchasing Division - 1112 Manatee Avenue West - Suite 803 - Bradenton, FL 34205

SECTION 00300
BID FORM / ifb #12-2151-OV
(SUBMIT IN TRIPLICATE)

For: Force Main Replacement Project (1A, 2A and 16A)

TOTAL BID PRICE (BID "A"): _____
Based on a Completion Time of 365 calendar days
TOTAL BID PRICE (BID "B"): _____
Based on a Completion Time of 300 calendar days

Two schedules for completion of the Work shall be considered. Each Bid for completion by the specified stated time shall be offered as a separate "Total Bid Price". The County has the sole authority to select the Bid based on the completion time which is the best interest of the County. Only one Award shall be made.

We, the undersigned, hereby declare that we have carefully reviewed the Bid documents, and with full knowledge and understanding of the aforementioned herewith submit this Bid, meeting each and every specification, term, and condition contained in the Invitation for Bids.

We understand that the Bid package, in its entirety, including but not limited to, all specifications, terms, and conditions in their entirety shall be made a part of any Agreement or Contract between Manatee County and the successful Bidder. Failure to comply shall result in Contract default, whereupon, the defaulting Contractor shall be required to pay for any and all re-procurement costs, damages, and attorney fees as incurred by the County.

Communications concerning this Bid shall be addressed as follows:

(Contractors are to complete all fields)

Person's Name: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

Date: _____ FL Contractor License# _____

License in the Name of: _____

Bidder is a WBE/MBE Vendor? _____ Certification _____

COMPANY'S NAME: _____

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE(S): _____

Name and Title of Above Signer(s) _____

CO. MAILING ADDRESS: _____

STATE OF INCORPORATION _____ (if applicable)

TELEPHONE: (____) _____ FAX: (____) _____

Email address: _____

I, _____ on [date] _____ attest that I have visited the project site(s) to familiarize myself with the full Scope of Work required for the Bid.

Acknowledge Addendum No. _____ Dated: _____ Acknowledge Addendum No. _____ Dated: _____

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SWORN STATEMENT THE FLORIDA TRENCH SAFETY ACT

THIS FORM MUST BE SIGNED IN THE PRESENCE OF A NOTARY PUBLIC OR BY AN OFFICER AUTHORIZED TO ADMINISTER OATHS.

1. This Sworn Statement is submitted with IFB No. #12-2151-OV
2. This Sworn Statement is submitted by _____ whose business address is _____ and, if applicable, its Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN) is _____. If the entity has no FEIN, include the Social Security Number of the individual signing this sworn statement _____.
3. Name of individual signing this Sworn Statement is: _____, Whose relationship to the above entity is: _____.
4. The Trench Safety Standards that will be in effect during the construction of this project shall include, but are not limited to: Laws of Florida, Chapters 90-96, TRENCH SAFETY ACT, and OSHA RULES AND REGULATIONS 29 CFR 1926.650 Subpart P, effective October 1, 1990.
5. The undersigned assures that the entity will comply with the applicable Trench Safety Standards and agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the County and Engineer, and any of their agents or employees from any claims arising from the failure to comply with said standard.
6. The undersigned has appropriated the following costs for compliance with the applicable standards:

Trench Safety Measure (Description)	Units of Measure (LF, SY)	Unit Quantity	Unit Cost	Extended Cost
a. _____	_____	_____	\$ _____	_____
b. _____	_____	_____	\$ _____	_____
c. _____	_____	_____	\$ _____	_____
d. _____	_____	_____	\$ _____	_____

7. The undersigned intends to comply with these standards by instituting the following procedures:

THE UNDERSIGNED, in submitting this Bid, represents that they have reviewed and considered all available geotechnical information and made such other investigations and tests as they may deem necessary to adequately design the trench safety system(s) to be utilized on this project.

(AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE / TITLE)

SWORN to and subscribed before me this _____ day of _____, 2012.

(Impress official seal)

Notary Public, State of Florida: _____

My commission expires: _____

BID FORM
(Submit in Triplicate)
Section 00300 (IFB #12-2151-OV)

IFB# 12-2151-OV

BID "A"

FORCE MAIN REPLACEMENT PROJECT (1A, 2A, and 16A) Bradenton, FL
BID "A" Based on Completion time of 365 Calendar Days (Project No.60522.80)

ITEM #	DESCRIPTION	U/M	QTY.	BID PRICE PER UNIT	TOTAL BID PRICE
1	Mobilization - Demobilization	LS	1	\$	\$
2	FURNISH AND INSTALL PIPE				
2A	10 Inch HDPE Pipe - HDD	LF	2362	\$	\$
2B	10 Inch HDPE Pipe - Open Cut	LF	502	\$	\$
2C	12 Inch HDPE Pipe - HDD	LF	929	\$	\$
2D	12 Inch HDPE Pipe - Open Cut	LF	1104	\$	\$
2E	14 Inch HDPE Pipe - HDD	LF	963	\$	\$
2F	14 Inch HDPE Pipe - Open Cut	LF	64	\$	\$
2G	16 Inch HDPE Pipe - HDD	LF	770	\$	\$
2H	16 Inch HDPE Pipe - Open Cut	LF	353	\$	\$
3	Furnish and Install Pipe Fittings - Ductile Iron	TON	4.98	\$	\$
4	FURNISH AND INSTALL VALVES				
4A	Furnish and Install 10 Inch Plug Valve	EA	6	\$	\$
4B	Furnish and Install 12 Inch Plug Valve	EA	2	\$	\$
4C	Furnish and Install 14 Inch Plug Valve	EA	3	\$	\$
4D	Furnish and Install 16 Inch Plug Valve	EA	1	\$	\$

Bidder: _____

Authorized
Signature: _____

Bid "A"

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BID FORM
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Section 00300 (IFB #12-2151-OV)

IFB# 12-2151-OV

BID "A"

FORCE MAIN REPLACEMENT PROJECT (1A, 2A, and 16A) Bradenton, FL
BID "A" Based on Completion time of 365 Calendar Days (Project No.60522.80)

ITEM #	DESCRIPTION	U/M	QTY.	BID PRICE PER UNIT	TOTAL BID PRICE
5	FURNISH AND INSTALL FORCE MAIN CONNECTIONS				
5A	Furnish and Install Connections PS 1A	EA	1	\$	\$
5B	Furnish and Install Connection PS 2A	EA	1	\$	\$
5C	Furnish and Install Connections PS 16A	EA	1	\$	\$
5D	Furnish and Install Connections New Discharge Manhole	EA	1	\$	\$
6	FURNISH AND INSTALL GRAVITY SEWER PIPE				
6A	Furnish and Install 24 Inch PVC Pipe	LS	40	\$	\$
7	FURNISH AND INSTALL GRAVITY SEWER MANHOLE				
7A	Furnish and Install 4 Foot Diameter Turbulent Flow Manhole	LS	1	\$	\$
8	FURNISH AND INSTALL AUGER BORING ROAD CROSSING				
8A	Auger Bore 20" Casing w/10" Carrier Pipe - Pearl Street At US 41	EA	142	\$	\$
8B	Auger Bore 30" Casing w/ 16" Carrier Pipe - 69th Avenue West at US 41	EA	150	\$	\$
9	FURNISH AND INSTALL AIR RELEASE ASSEMBLY				
		EA	10	\$	\$
10	GROUT ABANDONED PIPELINES				
10A	Grout and Abandon 10 Inch Force Main	LF	2,915	\$	\$

Bidder: _____

Authorized
Signature: _____

Bid "A"

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BID FORM
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Section 00300 (IFB #12-2151-OV)

BID "A"

FORCE MAIN REPLACEMENT PROJECT (1A, 2A, and 16A) Bradenton, FL
BID "A" Based on Completion time of 365 Calendar Days (Project No.60522.80)

ITEM #	DESCRIPTION	U/M	QTY.	BID PRICE PER UNIT	TOTAL BID PRICE
10B	Grout and Abandon 12 Inch Force Main	LF	2,050	\$	\$
10C	Grout and Abandon 14 Inch Force Main	LF	4,460	\$	\$
11	Demolition Force Main - Bowless Creek Crossing	LS	1	\$	\$
12	Pavement Restoration	SY	2,458	\$	\$
13	Pavement Restoration - Milling and Overlay	SY	4,350	\$	\$
14	Curb Restoration	LF	3,600	\$	\$
15	DRIVEWAY RESTORATION				
15A	Driveway Restoration - Concrete Driveway	SY	50	\$	\$
15B	Driveway Restoration - Asphalt Driveway	SY	58	\$	\$
15C	Driveway Restoration - Shell Driveway	SY	20	\$	\$
15D	Driveway Restoration - Stone Driveway	SY	20	\$	\$
16	Sidewalk Restoration	SY	71	\$	\$
17	DISCRETIONARY WORK	LS	1		\$160,000.00
	TOTAL BID PRICE "A"- Based On Completion Time of 365 Calendar Days				\$

Bidder: _____

 Authorized
 Signature: _____

Bid "A"

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BID FORM
(Submit in Triplicate)
Section 00300 (IFB #12-2151-OV)

IFB# 12-2151-OV

BID "B"

FORCE MAIN REPLACEMENT PROJECT (1A, 2A, and 16A) Bradenton, FL
BID "B" Based on Completion time of 300 Calendar Days (Project No.60522.80)

ITEM #	DESCRIPTION	U/M	QTY.	BID PRICE PER UNIT	TOTAL BID PRICE
1	Mobilization - Demobilization	LS	1	\$	\$
2	FURNISH AND INSTALL PIPE				
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Bidder: _____

Authorized
Signature: _____

Bid "B"

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BID FORM
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Section 00300 (IFB #12-2151-OV)

BID "B"

FORCE MAIN REPLACEMENT PROJECT (1A, 2A, and 16A) Bradenton, FL
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Bidder: _____

Authorized
Signature: _____

Bid "B"

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BID FORM
(Submit in Triplicate)
Section 00300 (IFB #12-2151-OV)

IFB# 12-2151-OV

BID "B"

FORCE MAIN REPLACEMENT PROJECT (1A, 2A, and 16A) Bradenton, FL
BID "B" Based on Completion time of 300 Calendar Days (Project No.60522.80)

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17	DISCRETIONARY WORK	LS	1		\$160,000.00
	TOTAL BID PRICE "B"- Based On Completion Time of 300 Calendar Days				\$

Bidder: _____

Authorized
Signature: _____

Bid "B"

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SECTION 00430
CONTRACTOR'S QUESTIONNAIRE
 (Submit in Triplicate)

The Bidder warrants the truth and accuracy of all statements and answers herein contained. (Attach additional pages if necessary.)

THIS QUESTIONNAIRE MUST BE COMPLETED AND SUBMITTED WITH YOUR BID

1. License #: _____
 License Issued to: _____
 Date License Received (MM/DD/YR): _____
 Company Name: _____

 Company's Physical Address

 City _____
 _____ State of Incorporation, if applicable _____ (Zip Code) _____
 (_____) _____ Telephone Number; (_____) _____ Fax Number
 Email Address: _____
 2. Bidding as an individual ___ a partnership: ___ a corporation; ___ a joint venture ___
 3. If a partnership: list names and addresses of partners; if a corporation: list names of officers, directors, shareholders, and state of incorporation; if joint venture: list names and address of ventures' and the same if any venture are a corporation for each such corporation, partnership, or joint venture:

 4. Your organization has been in business (under this firm's name) as a

 For how many years? _____ Is this firm in bankruptcy? _____
 _____ Years holding a Certified General Contractors License
 _____ Years holding a Certified Underground Utility Contractor License
 _____ Years experience performing this type of project
 (Attach a list of projects where this specific type of work was performed)
- BIDDER: _____

4. (Continued)

Has license ever been suspended, revoked, removed or under investigation?

5. Describe and give the date and County of the last three government or private work of similar scope you've completed which are similar in cost, type, size, and nature as the one proposed (for a public entity), include contact name and phone number. Provide the budget, actual cost, size and summary of work for each project. Attach additional pages as necessary. **(Note: If listing a Manatee County reference they should not be directly associated with this project)**

6. Have you ever been assessed liquidated damages under a Contract during the past five (5) years? If so, state when, where (contact name, address, and phone number) and why.

7. Have you ever failed to complete work awarded to you? Or provide projects not completed within Contract time. If so, state when, where (contact name, address, phone number) and why.

8. Have you ever been debarred or prohibited from bidding on a governmental entity's construction project? If yes, name the entity and describe the circumstances:

BIDDER: _____

9. What specific steps have you taken to examine the physical conditions at or contiguous to the site, including but not limited to, the location of existing underground facilities? Have you visited the site (s)? _____

Provide date(s) of site visit: _____

10. What specific physical conditions, including, but not limited to, the location of existing underground facilities have you found which will, in any manner, affect cost, progress, performance, or finishing of the Work?

11. Will you subcontract any part of this Work? If so, describe which major portion(s):

12. If any, list (with Contract amount) WBE/MBE to be utilized:

13. What equipment do you own to accomplish this Work? (A listing may be attached)

14. What equipment will you purchase/rent for the Work? (Specify which)

BIDDER: _____

15. List the following in connection with the Surety which is providing the Bond(s):

Surety's Name: _____

Surety's Address: _____

Surety's Address: _____

Name, address and phone number of Surety's resident agent for service of process in Florida:

Phone: (_____) _____

Email _____

BIDDER: _____

SECTION 00491
PUBLIC CONTRACTING AND ENVIRONMENTAL CRIMES CERTIFICATION
SWORN STATEMENT PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 6,
MANATEE COUNTY PURCHASING ORDINANCE

THIS FORM MUST BE SIGNED AND SWORN TO IN THE PRESENCE OF A NOTARY PUBLIC OR OTHER OFFICIAL AUTHORIZED TO ADMINISTER OATHS.

This sworn statement is submitted to the Manatee County Board of County Commissioners by

 [Print individual's name and title]

____ for _____ [print name of entity submitting sworn statement]

whose business address is _____

and (if applicable) its Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN) is _____. If the entity has no FEIN, include the Social Security Number of the individual signing this sworn statement:

I understand that no person or entity shall be awarded or receive a County Contract for public improvements, procurement of goods or services (including professional services) or a County lease, franchise, concession or management Agreement, or shall receive a grant of County monies unless such person or entity has submitted a written certification to the County that it has not:

- (1) been convicted of bribery or attempting to bribe a public officer or employee of Manatee County, the State of Florida, or any other public entity, including, but not limited to the Government of the United States, any state, or any local government authority in the United States, in that officer's or employee's official capacity; or
- (2) been convicted of an agreement or collusion among Bidders or prospective Bidders in restraint of freedom of competition, by agreement to bid a fixed price, or otherwise; or
- (3) been convicted of a violation of an environmental law that, in the sole opinion of the County's Purchasing Official, reflects negatively upon the ability of the person or entity to conduct business in a responsible manner; or
- (4) made an admission of guilt of such conduct described in items (1), (2) or (3) above, which is a matter of record, but has not been prosecuted for such conduct, or has made an admission of guilt of such conduct, which is a matter of record, pursuant to formal prosecution. An admission of guilt shall be construed to include a plea of nolo contendere; or
- (5) where an officer, official, agent or employee of a business entity has been convicted of or has admitted guilt to any of the crimes set forth above on behalf of such an entity and pursuant to the direction or authorization of an official thereof (including the person committing the offense, if he is an official of the business entity), the business shall be chargeable with the conduct herein above set forth. A business entity shall be chargeable with the conduct of an affiliated entity, whether wholly owned, partially owned, or one which has common ownership or a common Board of Directors. For purposes of this Form, business entities are affiliated if, directly or indirectly, one business entity controls or has the power to control another business entity, or if an individual or group of individuals controls or has the power to control both entities. Indicia of control shall include, without limitation, interlocking management or ownership, identity of interests among family members, shared organization of a business entity following the ineligibility of a business entity under this Article, or using substantially the same management, ownership or principles as the ineligible entity.

(Cont'd.)

Any person or entity who claims that this Article is inapplicable to him/her/it because a conviction or judgment has been reversed by a court of competent jurisdiction shall prove the same with documentation satisfactory to the County's Purchasing Official. Upon presentation of such satisfactory proof, the person or entity shall be allowed to contract with the County.

I UNDERSTAND THAT THE SUBMISSION OF THIS FORM TO THE CONTRACTING OFFICER FOR MANATEE COUNTY IS VALID THROUGH DECEMBER 31 OF THE CALENDAR YEAR IN WHICH IT IS FILED. I ALSO UNDERSTAND THAT ANY CONTRACT OR BUSINESS TRANSACTION SHALL PROVIDE FOR SUSPENSION OF PAYMENTS, OR TERMINATION, OR BOTH, IF THE CONTRACTING OFFICER OR THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR DETERMINES THAT **SUCH PERSON OR ENTITY HAS MADE FALSE CERTIFICATION.**

[Signature]

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF _____

Sworn to and subscribed before me this ____ day of _____, 2012 by _____

Personally known _____ OR Produced identification _____
[Type of identification]

Notary Public Signature My commission expires _____

[Print, type or stamp Commissioned name of Notary Public]

Signatory Requirement - In the case of a business entity other than a partnership or a corporation, this affidavit shall be executed by an authorized agent of the entity. In the case of a partnership, this affidavit shall be executed by the general partner(s). In the case of a corporation, this affidavit shall be executed by the corporate president.

SECTION 00700
GENERAL CONDITIONS

ARTICLE 1. DEFINITIONS

Whenever used in the Bid documents, the following terms have the meaning indicated which are applicable to both the singular and plural thereof:

Addendum - Written or graphic instruments issued prior to the opening of Bids which clarify or change the Bidding documents or the Contract documents.

Agreement - The written Agreement between Owner and Contractor covering the Work to be performed; other Contract documents are attached to the Agreement and made a part thereof as provided therein.

Application for Payment - The form accepted by the Project Representative which is to be used by Contractor in requesting progress or final payments and which is to include such supporting documentation as is required by the Contract documents.

Award - Acceptance of the Bid from the person, firm, or corporation which in the Owner's sole and absolute judgment will under all circumstances best serve the public interest. Award shall be made in accordance with Manatee County Code of Laws.

Bid - The offer of the Bidder submitted on the prescribed form setting forth the prices for the Work to be performed.

Bidder - One who submits a Bid directly to the Owner, as distinct from a Sub-bidder, who submits a Bid to a Bidder.

Bidding Documents - Consists of the Invitation for Bid, which includes but is not limited to the Bid Form, drawings, technical specifications, terms and conditions, and the proposed Contract documents (including all addenda issued prior to receipt of Bids); and becomes a part of the Agreement.

Bonds - Performance and payment bonds and other instruments of security.

Change Order - A document recommended by the Project Representative which is signed by Contractor and Owner and authorizes an addition, deletion, or revision in the Work or an adjustment in the Contract price or the Contract time, issued on or after the effective date of the Agreement.

Compensable Delay - Any delay beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor resulting from Owner-caused changes in the Work, differing site conditions, suspensions of the Work, or termination for convenience by Owner.

Contract Documents - The Agreement, addenda (which pertain to the Contract documents), Contractor's Bid (including documentation accompanying the Bid and any post-Bid documentation submitted prior to the Notice of Award), the bonds, the specifications, special provisions and the drawings, together with all amendments, modifications and supplements issued on or after the effective date of the Agreement.

Contract Price - The monies payable by Owner to Contractor under the Contract documents as stated in the Agreement.

Contract Time - The number of days or the date stated in the Notice to Proceed for the completion of the Work.

Contractor - The person, firm or corporation with whom Owner has entered into an Agreement.

Days - All references to days are to be considered calendar days except as specified differently.

Defective - An adjective which when modifying the Work refers to work that is unsatisfactory, faulty or deficient, or does not conform to the Contract documents, or does not meet the requirements of any inspection, reference standard, test or approval referred to in the Contract documents, or has been damaged prior to Project Representative's recommendation of final payment (unless responsibility for the protection thereof has been assumed by Owner).

Discretionary – Payment for all Work that shall be made only at the Owner's discretion in order to satisfactorily complete the project in accordance with the plans and specifications.

Drawings - The drawings which show the character and Scope of Work to be performed and which have been prepared or approved by Engineer and are referred to in the Bidding and Contract documents.

Effective Date of the Agreement - The date indicated in the Agreement on which it becomes effective (date of execution).

Excusable Delay - Any delay beyond the control and without the negligence of the Contractor, the Owner, or any other Contractor caused by events or circumstances such as, but not limited to, acts of God or of the public enemy, fires, floods, freight embargoes, acts of government other than Owner or epidemics. Labor disputes and above average rainfall shall give rise only to excusable delays.

Field Order - A written order issued by Project Representative which orders minor changes in the Work, but which does not involve a change in the Contract price or the Contract time.

Float or Slack Time - The time available in the progress schedule during which an unexpected activity can be completed without delaying substantial completion of the Work.

Inexcusable Delay - Any delay caused by events or circumstances within the control of the Contractor, such as inadequate crewing, slow submittals, etc., which might have been avoided by the exercise of care, prudence, foresight, or diligence on the part of the Contractor.

Non-prejudicial Delay - Any delay impacting a portion of the Work within the available total float or slack time and not necessarily preventing completion of the Work within the Contract time.

Notice of Award - The written notice to the successful Bidder stating Award has been approved by the Board of County Commissioners; or by the Purchasing Official in accordance with Manatee County Code of Laws, Chapter 2-26, Manatee County Purchasing Ordinance.

Notice of Intent to Award - The written notice to the apparent low Bidder stating Award has been recommended with final Award to be authorized by the Board of County Commissioners.

Notice to Proceed - Written notice by Owner (after execution of Contract) to Contractor fixing the date on which the Contract time will commence to run and on which Contractor shall start to perform (ten (10) days from date of such notice) Contractor's obligations under the Contract documents.

Owner - Manatee County, Florida, Board of County Commissioners.

Preconstruction Conference - Prior to starting the Work, a meeting scheduled by Owner with Contractor to review the Work schedules, to establish procedures for handling shop drawings and other submissions, for processing periodical pay estimates, and such other matters as may be pertinent to the project.

Prejudicial Delay - Any excusable or compensable delay impacting the Work and exceeding the total float available in the progress schedule, thus preventing completion of the Work within the Contract time unless the Work is accelerated.

Pre-operation Testing - All field inspections, installation checks, water tests, performance tests and necessary corrections required of Contractor to demonstrate that individual components of the Work have been properly constructed and do operate in accordance with the Contract documents for their intended purposes.

Project - The total construction of which the Work to be provided under the Contract documents may be the whole or a part as indicated elsewhere in the Contract documents.

Project Representative - The authorized representative of Owner who is assigned to the project or any part thereof.

Schedule of Values – Unit prices shall be established for this Contract by the submission of a schedule of values. The Contractor shall submit a schedule of values within ten (10) days of Notice to Proceed date. The schedule shall include quantities and prices of items equaling the Total Bid Price and will subdivide the Work into components in sufficient detail to serve as the basis for progress payments during construction. Such prices will include an appropriate amount of overhead and profit applicable to each item of Work. Upon request of the County, the Contractor shall support the values with data which will substantiate their correctness.

Shop Drawings - All drawings, diagrams, illustrations, schedules and other data which are specifically prepared by or for Contractor to illustrate some portion of the Work and all illustrations, brochures, standard schedules, performance charts, instructions, diagrams and other information prepared by a supplier and submitted by Contractor to illustrate material or equipment for some portion of the Work.

Special Provisions: As required to define work or procedures not covered in the standard specifications, and as necessary to supplement or modify items in the standard specifications.

Specifications - Those portions of the Contract documents consisting of written technical descriptions of materials, equipment, construction systems, standards and workmanship as applied to the Work and certain administrative details applicable thereto.

Subcontractor - An individual or corporation having a direct contact with Contractor or with any other Subcontractor for the performance of a part of the Work at the site. Such person or firm has contractual relations with the Contractor, not with the Owner.

Substantial Completion - The Work (or a specified part thereof) has progressed to the point when, in the opinion of the Engineer as evidenced by Engineer's definitive certificate of substantial completion, it is sufficiently complete in accordance with Contract documents so that the Work can be utilized for the purposes for which it is intended; or if there be no such certificate issued, when final payment is due.

Successful Bidder - The lowest, responsible and responsive Bidder to whom an Award is made.

Supplier - A manufacturer, fabricator, supplier, distributor, material man or vendor.

Underground Facilities - All pipelines, conduits, ducts, cables, wires, manholes, vaults, tanks, tunnels or other such facilities or attachments and any encasement containing such facilities which have been installed underground to furnish any of the following services or materials: electricity, gases, steam, liquid petroleum products, telephone or

other communications, cable television, sewage and drainage removal, traffic or other control systems or water.

Unit Price Work - Work to be paid for on the basis of unit prices.

Work - The entire completed construction or the various separately identifiable parts thereof required to be furnished under the Contract documents. Work is the result of performing services, furnishing labor and furnishing and incorporating materials and equipment into the construction, all as required by the Contract documents.

Work Directive Change - A written directive to Contractor, issued on or after the effective date of the Agreement and signed by Owner and recommended by Project Representative ordering an addition, deletion or revision in the Work, or responding to differing or unforeseen physical conditions under which the Work is to be performed or to emergencies. A work directive change may not change the Contract price or the Contract time; but is evidence that the parties expect that the change directed or documented by a work directive change will be incorporated in a subsequently issued change order following negotiations by the parties as to its effect, if any, on the Contract price or Contract time.

Written Amendment - A written amendment of the Contract documents, signed by Owner and Contractor on or after the effective date of the Agreement and normally dealing with the non-engineering or non-technical rather than strictly work related aspects of the Contract documents.

ARTICLE 2. PRELIMINARY MATTERS

Computation of Time: When time is referred to in the Contract documents by days, it will be computed to exclude the first and include the last day of such period. If the last day of any such period falls on a Saturday or Sunday or legal holiday, such day will be omitted from the computation.

2.1 The Contractor must submit a proposed schedule of the Work at the preconstruction conference. The purpose of this schedule is to enable the Owner to govern the Work, to protect the functions of the local government and its citizens and to aid in providing appropriate surveillance. The Owner shall have the right to reschedule Work provided such rescheduling is in accord with the remainder of terms of the Contract. The schedule shall show, as a minimum, the approximate dates on which each segment of the Work is expected to be started and finished, the proposed traffic flows during each month, the anticipated earnings by the Contractor for each month and the approximate number of crews and equipment to be used. The Owner, after necessary rescheduling and obtaining additional information for specific purposes, shall review and approve the schedule. The Contractor shall also forward to the Owner, as soon as practicable after the first day of each month, a summary report of the progress of the various parts of the Work under the Contract, in fabrication and in the field, stating the existing status, estimated time of completion and cause of delay, if

any. Together with the summary report, the Contractor shall submit any necessary revisions to the original schedule for the Owner's review and approval. In addition, more detailed schedules may be required by the Owner for daily traffic control.

- 2.2 A Notice to Proceed may be given at any time within thirty (30) days after the effective date of the Agreement. The Contract time will commence at the time specified in such notice. Contractor shall start to perform the Work on the date specified in the Notice to Proceed, but no Work shall be done at the site prior to the date on which the Contract time commences to run.
- 2.3 If at any time the materials and appliances to be used appear to the Owner as insufficient or improper for securing the quality of Work required or the required rate of progress, the Owner may order the Contractor to increase his efficiency or to improve the character of his Work and the Contractor shall conform to such an order. The failure of the Owner to demand any increase of such efficiency of any improvement shall not release the Owner from his obligation to secure the quality of Work or the rate of progress necessary to complete the Work within the limits imposed by the Contract. The Owner may require the Contractor to remove from the Work such employees as the Owner deems incompetent, careless, insubordinate or otherwise objectionable, or whose continued employment on the Work is deemed to be contrary to the Owner's interest.
- 2.4 The Owner reserves the right to let other Contracts in connection with this Work. The Contractor shall afford other Contractors reasonable opportunity for the introduction and storage of their materials and execution of their Work, and promptly connect and coordinate the Work with theirs.

ARTICLE 3. CONTRACT DOCUMENTS: INTENT, AMENDING, RE-USE

- 3.1 The Contract documents comprise the entire Agreement between Owner and Contractor concerning the Work. The Contract documents are complementary; what is called for by one is as binding as if called for by all. The Contract documents will be construed in accordance with the laws and ordinances of the State of Florida and Manatee County.

Should a conflict exist within the Contract documents, the precedence in ascending order of authority are as follows: 1) Standard Printed Contract Documents, 2) Special Conditions, 3) General Conditions, and 4) Drawings.

Note: Computed dimensions shall govern over scaled dimensions.

- 3.2 It is the intent of the Contract documents to describe a functionally complete project (or part thereof) to be constructed in accordance with the Contract documents. Any work, materials or equipment that may reasonably be inferred from the Contract documents as being required to produce the intended result will be supplied whether or not specifically called for. When words which have a well-known technical or trade meaning are used to describe work, materials, or

equipment, such words shall be interpreted in accordance with that meaning. Reference to standard specifications, manuals or codes of any technical society, organization or association, or to the laws or regulations of any governmental authority, whether such reference be specific or by implication, shall mean the latest standard specification, manual, code or laws or regulations in effect at the time of opening of Bids, except as may be otherwise specifically stated. However, no provision of any referenced standard specification, manual or code (whether or not specifically incorporated by reference in the Contract documents) shall be effective to change the duties and responsibilities of Owner, Contractor or Engineer, or any of their agents or employees from those set forth in the Contract documents.

- 3.3 The Contract documents may be amended to provide for additions, deletions and revisions in the Work or to modify the terms and conditions thereof in one or more of the following ways:

3.3.1 A Formal Written Amendment

3.3.2 A Change Order

3.3.3 Administrative Contract Adjustment (ACA)

3.3.4 A Work Directive Change

- 3.4 In addition, the requirements of the Contract documents may be supplemented and minor variations and deviations in the Work may be authorized in one or more of the following ways:

3.4.1 Discretionary Work – Field Directive

3.4.2 Engineer's approval of a Shop Drawing or sample

ARTICLE 4. CONTRACTOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES

- 4.1 Contractor shall keep on the Work at all times during its progress a competent resident superintendent; who shall be the Contractor's representative at the site and shall have authority to act on behalf of Contractor. All communications given to the superintendent shall be as binding as if given to Contractor.
- 4.2 Contractor shall provide competent, suitable qualified personnel to survey and lay out the Work and perform construction as required by the Contract documents. Contractor shall at all times maintain good discipline and order at the site. Except in connection with the safety or protection of persons or the Work or property at the site or adjacent thereto and except as otherwise indicated in the Contract documents, all Work at the site shall be performed during regular working hours and Contractor will not permit overtime work or the

performance of work on Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday without Owner's written consent given after prior notice to Engineer (at least seventy-two (72) hours in advance).

- 4.2.1 Contractor shall pay for all additional engineering charges to the Owner for any overtime work which may be authorized. Such additional engineering charges shall be a subsidiary obligation of Contractor and no extra payment shall be made by Owner on account of such overtime work. At Owner's option, overtime costs may be deducted from Contractor's monthly payment request or Contractor's retainage prior to release of final payment.
- 4.3 Unless otherwise specified, Contractor shall furnish and assume full responsibility for all bonds, insurance, materials, equipment, labor, transportation, construction equipment and machinery, tools, appliances, fuel, power, light, heat, telephone, water, sanitary facilities, temporary facilities and all other facilities and incidentals necessary for the furnishing, performance, testing, start-up and completion of the Work.
- 4.4 All materials and equipment shall be of good quality and new, except as otherwise provided in the Contract documents. If required by Engineer, Contractor shall furnish satisfactory evidence (including reports of required tests) as to the kind and quality of materials and equipment. All materials and equipment shall be applied, installed, connected, erected, used, cleaned and conditioned in accordance with the instruction of the applicable supplier except as otherwise provided in the Contract documents.
- 4.5 Contractor shall be fully responsible to Owner for all acts and omissions of the Subcontractors, Suppliers and other persons and organizations performing or furnishing any of the Work under a direct or indirect Contract with Contractor just as Contractor is responsible for Contractor's own acts and omissions. Nothing in the Contract documents shall create any contractual relationship between Owner or Engineer and any such Subcontractor, Supplier or other person or organization, nor shall it create any obligation on the part of Owner to pay or to see to the payment of any monies due any such Subcontractor, Supplier or other person or organization.
- 4.6 Permits: Unless otherwise provided, Contractor shall obtain and pay for all construction permits and licenses. Owner shall assist Contractor, when necessary, in obtaining such permits and licenses. Contractor shall pay all governmental charges and inspection fees necessary for the prosecution of the Work.
- 4.7 During the progress of the Work, Contractor shall keep the premises free from accumulation of waste materials rubbish and other debris resulting from the Work. At the completion of the Work, Contractor shall remove all waste

materials, rubbish, and debris from and about the premises as well as all tools, appliances, construction equipment and machinery and surplus materials and shall leave the site clean and ready for occupancy by Owner. Contractor shall restore to original conditions all property not designated for alteration by the Contract documents.

- 4.8 Contractor shall not load nor permit any part of any structure to be loaded in any manner that will endanger the structure, nor shall Contractor subject any part of the Work or adjacent property to stresses or pressures that will endanger it.
- 4.9 **Safety and Protection:** Contractor shall comply with the Florida Department of Commerce Safety Regulations and any local safety regulations. Contractor shall be responsible for initiating, maintaining and supervising all safety precautions and programs in connection with the Work. Contractor shall take all necessary precautions for the safety of and shall provide the necessary protection to prevent damage, injury or loss to:
 - 4.9.1 all employees on the work and other persons and organizations who may be affected thereby;
 - 4.9.2 all the work and materials and equipment to be incorporated therein, whether in storage on or off the site; and
 - 4.9.3 other property at the site or adjacent thereto, including trees, shrubs, lawns, walks, pavements, roadways, structures, utilities and underground facilities not designated for removal, relocation or replacement in the course of construction.
 - 4.9.4 Contractor shall comply with all applicable laws and regulations of any public body having jurisdiction for the safety of persons or property or to protect them from damage, injury or loss; and shall erect and maintain all necessary safeguards for such safety and protection. Contractor shall provide and maintain all passageways, guard fences, lights and other facilities for the protection required by public authority or local conditions. Contractor shall provide reasonable maintenance of traffic way for the public and preservation of the Owner's business, taking into full consideration all local conditions. Contractor's duties and responsibilities for the safety and protection of the Work shall continue until such time as all the Work is completed.
- 4.10 **Emergencies:** In emergencies affecting the safety or protection of persons or the Work or property at the site or adjacent thereto, Contractor, without special instruction or authorization from Engineer or Owner, is obligated to act to prevent threatened damage, injury or loss. Contractor shall give Owner prompt written notice if Contractor believes that any significant changes in the Work or variations from the Contract documents have been caused thereby. If Owner

determines that a change in the Contract documents is required because of the action taken in response to an emergency, a work directive change or change order will be issued to document the consequences of the changes or variation.

- 4.11 For substitutes not included with the Bid, but submitted after the effective date of the Agreement, Contractor shall make written application to Engineer for acceptance thereof, certifying that the proposed substitute will perform adequately the functions and achieve the results called for by the general design, be similar and of equal substance to that specified and be suited to the same use as that specified. The application will also contain an itemized estimate of all costs and delays or schedule impacts that will result directly or indirectly from review, acceptance and provisions of such substitute, including costs of redesign and claims of other Contractors affected by the resulting change, all of which will be considered by the Engineer in evaluating the proposed substitute. Engineer may require Contractor to furnish at Contractor's expense, additional data about the proposed substitute. In rendering a decision, Owner/Engineer and Contractor shall have access to any available float time in the construction schedule. In the event that substitute materials or equipment not included as part of the Bid, but proposed after the effective date of the Agreement, are accepted and are less costly than the originally specified materials or equipment, then the net difference in cost shall be credited to the Owner and an appropriate change order executed.

4.11.1 If a specific means, method, technique, sequence of procedure of construction is indicated in or required by the Contract documents, Contractor may furnish or utilize a substitute means, method, sequence, technique or procedure of construction acceptable to Engineer if Contractor submits sufficient information to allow Engineer to determine that the substitute proposed is equivalent to that indicated or required by the Contract documents.

4.11.2 Engineer will be allowed a reasonable time within which to evaluate each proposed substitute. Engineer will be the sole judge of acceptability and no substitute will be ordered, installed or utilized without Engineer's prior written acceptance which will be evidenced by either a change order or an approved shop drawing. Owner may require Contractor to furnish at Contractor's expense a special performance guarantee or other surety with respect to any substitute.

4.11.3 Contractor shall reimburse Owner for the charges of Engineer and Engineer's Consultants for evaluating each proposed substitute submitted after the effective date of the Agreement and all costs resulting from any delays in the Work while the substitute was undergoing review.

- 4.12 The Contractor shall furnish, free of charge, all labor, stakes, surveys, batter boards for structures, grade lines and other materials and supplies and shall set construction stakes and batter boards for establishing lines, position of structures, slopes and other controlling points necessary for the proper prosecution of the construction work. Where rights-of-way, easements, property lines or any other conditions which make the lay-out of the project or parts of the project critical are involved, the Contractor will employ a competent surveyor who is registered in the State of Florida for lay-out and staking. These stakes and marks shall constitute the field control by and in accord with which the Contractor shall govern and execute the Work. The Contractor will be held responsible for the preservation of all stakes, marks and if for any reason any of the stakes or marks or batter boards become destroyed or disturbed, they will be immediately and accurately replaced by the Contractor.
- 4.13 The Contractor has, by careful examination, satisfied himself as to the nature and location of the Work and all other matters which can in any way affect the Work under this Contract, including, but not limited to details pertaining to boring, as shown on the drawings, are not guaranteed to be more than a general indication of the materials likely to be found adjacent to holes bored at the site of the Work, approximately at the locations indicated. The Contractor shall examine boring data, where available, and make his own interpretation of the subsoil investigations and other preliminary data, and shall base his Bid on his own opinion of the conditions likely to be encountered. In no event shall an extension of time be considered for any conditions that existed at the time of bidding, nor shall the Contractor receive extra compensation for completion of the project as intended by the drawings and in keeping with the Contract documents. No verbal agreement or conversation with any officer, agent or employee of the Owner, before or after the execution of this Contract, shall affect or modify any of the terms or obligations herein contained.
- 4.14 If the Contractor, in the course of the Work, finds that the drawings and/or Contract documents cannot be followed, he shall immediately inform the Owner in writing, and the Owner shall promptly check the accuracy of the information. Any work done after such discovery, until any necessary changes are authorized, will be done at the Contractor's risk.

ARTICLE 5. OWNER'S RESPONSIBILITIES

- 5.1 Owner shall furnish the data required of Owner under the Contract documents promptly and shall make payments to the Contractor within a reasonable time (no more than twenty (20) days) after the Work has been accepted by the Owner. The form of all submittals, notices, change orders and other documents permitted or required to be used or transmitted under the Contract documents shall be determined by the Owner/Engineer. Standard County forms shall be utilized.

- 5.2 The Owner shall provide the lands upon which the Work under this Contract is to be done, except that the Contractor shall provide all necessary additional land required for the erection of temporary construction facilities and storage of his materials, together with right of access to same.
- 5.3 The Owner shall have the right to take possession of and use any completed portions of the Work, although the time for completing the entire Work or such portions may not have expired, but such taking possession and use shall not be deemed an acceptance of any Work not completed in accordance with the Contract documents.

ARTICLE 6. CHANGES IN THE WORK

- 6.1 Without invalidating the Agreement and without notice to any Surety, Owner may, at any time, order additions, deletions or revisions in the Work. These will be authorized by a written amendment, a change order, or a work directive change. Upon receipt of any such document, Contractor shall promptly proceed with the Work involved which will be performed under the applicable conditions of the Contract documents (except as otherwise specifically provided).
- 6.2 Contractor shall not be entitled to an increase in the Contract price or an extension of the Contract time with respect to any Work performed that is not required by the Contract documents as amended, modified and supplemented.
- 6.3 Owner and Contractor shall execute appropriate change orders (or written amendments) covering changes in the Work which are ordered by Owner, or which may be required because of acceptance of defective Work.
- 6.4 At any time Engineer may request a quotation from Contractor for a proposed change in the Work and within twenty-one (21) calendar days after receipt, Contractor shall submit a written and detailed proposal for an increase or decrease in the Contract price or Contract time for the proposed change. Engineer shall have twenty-one (21) calendar days after receipt of the detailed proposal to respond in writing. The proposal shall include an itemized estimate of all costs and time for performance that will result directly or indirectly from the proposed change. Unless otherwise directed, itemized estimates shall be in sufficient detail to reasonably permit an analysis by Engineer of all material, labor, equipment, subcontracts, overhead costs and fees, and shall cover all Work involved in the change, whether such Work was deleted, added, changed or impacted. Notwithstanding the request for quotation, Contractor shall carry on the Work and maintain the progress schedule. Delays in the submittal of the written and detailed proposal will be considered non-prejudicial.

ARTICLE 7. CHANGE OF CONTRACT PRICE

- 7.1 The Contract price constitutes the total compensation (subject to authorized adjustments) payable to Contractor for performing the Work. All duties, responsibilities and obligations assigned to or undertaken by Contractor shall be at his expense without change in the Contract price.
- 7.2 The Contract price may only be changed by change order or by a written amendment. Any claim for an increase or decrease in the Contract price shall be based on written notice delivered by the party making the claim to the other party. Notice of the amount of the claim with supporting data shall be delivered within ten (10) days from the beginning of such occurrence and shall be accompanied by claimant's written statement that the amount claimed covers all known amounts (direct, indirect and consequential) to which the claimant is entitled as a result of the occurrence of said event.
- 7.3 The value of any Work covered by a change order or of any claim for an increase or decrease in the Contract price shall be determined in one of the following ways (at Owner's discretion):
- 7.3.1 Where the Work involved is covered by unit prices contained in the Contract documents, cost will be determined by application of such unit prices to the quantities of the items involved.
 - 7.3.2 By mutual acceptance of lump sum.
 - 7.3.3 On the basis of the cost of the Work, plus a 15% Contractor's fee for overhead and profit. (Contractor shall submit an itemized cost breakdown together with supporting data.)
- 7.4 Either Owner or Contractor may make a claim for an adjustment in the Contract price. The unit price of an item of Unit Price Work shall be subject to re-evaluation and adjustment under the following conditions:
- 7.4.1 If the total cost of a particular item of Unit Price Work amounts to 5% or more of the Contract price and the variation in the quantity of the particular item of Unit Price Work performed by Contractor differs by more than 15% from the estimated quantity of such item indicated in the Agreement; and
 - 7.4.2 If there is no corresponding adjustment with respect to any other item of Work; and
 - 7.4.3 If a Contractor believes that it has incurred additional expense as a result thereof; or

7.4.4 If Owner believes that the quantity variation entitles it to an adjustment in the unit price; or

7.4.5 If the parties are unable to agree as to the effect of any such variations in the quantity of Unit Price Work performed.

ARTICLE 8. CHANGE OF CONTRACT TIME

8.1 Contract time may only be changed by a change order or a written amendment. Any claim for an extension or shortening of the Contract time shall be based on written notice delivered by the party making the claim to the other party. Notice of the extent of the claim with supporting data shall be delivered within fifteen (15) days from detection or beginning of such occurrence and shall be accompanied by the claimant's written statement that the adjustment claimed is the entire adjustment to which the claimant has reason to believe it is entitled as a result of the occurrence of said event.

8.2 The Contract time will be extended in an amount equal to time lost due to delays beyond the control of Contractor. Such delays shall include, but not be limited to, acts or neglect by Owner or others performing additional Work; or to fires, floods, epidemics, abnormal weather conditions or acts of God.

8.3 All time limits stated in the Contract documents are of the essence.

ARTICLE 9. WARRANTY, TEST/INSPECTION, CORRECTION

9.1 Contractor warrants (for a minimum period of three (3) years or as otherwise stated herein) and guarantees to Owner that all Work will be in accordance with the Contract documents and will not be defective; that Owner, representatives of Owner, governmental agencies with jurisdictional interests will have access to the Work at reasonable time for their observation, inspecting and testing (Contractor shall give Engineer timely notice of readiness of the Work for all required approvals and shall assume full responsibility, including costs, in obtaining required tests, inspections, and approval certifications and/or acceptance, unless otherwise stated by Owner).

9.2 If any Work (including work of others) that is to be inspected, tested, or approved is covered without written concurrence of Engineer, it must, if requested by Engineer, be uncovered for observation. Such uncovering shall be at Contractor's expense unless Contractor has given Engineer timely notice of Contractor's intention to cover the same and Engineer has not acted with reasonable promptness in response to such notice. Neither observations by Engineer nor inspections, tests, or approvals by others shall relieve Contractor from Contractor's obligations to perform the Work in accordance with the Contract documents.

- 9.3 If the Work is defective, or Contractor fails to supply sufficient skilled workers, or suitable materials or equipment, or fails to furnish or perform the Work in such a way that the completed Work will conform to the Contract documents, Owner may order Contractor to stop the Work, or any portion thereof and terminate payments to the Contractor until the cause for such order has been eliminated. Contractor shall bear all direct, indirect and consequential costs for satisfactory reconstruction or removal and replacement with non-defective Work, including, but not limited to fees and charges of engineers, architects, attorneys and other professionals and any additional expenses experienced by Owner due to delays to other Contractors performing additional Work and an appropriate deductive change order shall be issued. Contractor shall further bear the responsibility for maintaining schedule and shall not be entitled to an extension of the Contract time and the recovery of delay damages due to correcting or removing defective Work.
- 9.3.1 If Contractor fails within seven (7) days after written notice to correct defective Work, or fails to perform the Work in accordance with the Contract documents, or fails to comply with any other provision of the Contract documents, Owner may correct and remedy any such deficiency to the extent necessary to complete corrective and remedial action. Owner may exclude Contractor from all or part of the site, take possession of all or part of the Work, Contractor's tools, construction equipment and machinery at the site or for which Owner has paid Contractor but which are stored elsewhere. All direct and indirect costs of Owner in exercising such rights and remedies will be charged against Contractor in an amount approved as to reasonableness by Engineer and a change order will be issued incorporating the necessary revisions.
- 9.3.2 If within three (3) years after the date of completion or such longer period of time as may be prescribed by laws or regulations or by the terms of any applicable special guarantee required by the Contract documents, any Work is found to be defective, Contractor shall promptly, without cost to Owner and in accordance with Owner's written instructions, either correct such defective Work or if it has been rejected by Owner, remove it from the site and replace it with non-defective Work. If Contractor does not promptly comply with the terms of such instruction, Owner may have the defective Work corrected/removed and all direct, indirect and consequential costs of such removal and replacement will be paid by Contractor.

ARTICLE 10. SUSPENSION/TERMINATION OF WORK

- 10.1 Owner may, at any time and without cause, suspend the Work or any portion thereof for a period of not more than ninety (90) days by written notice to Contractor, which will fix the date on which Work will be resumed. Contractor shall be allowed an increase in the Contract price or an extension of the Contract

time, or both, directly attributable to any suspension if Contractor makes an approved claim therefore.

- 10.2 Owner may terminate the Contract if Contractor commences a voluntary case under any chapter of the Bankruptcy Code or any similar action by filing a petition under any other federal or state law relating to the bankruptcy or insolvency; if a petition is filed against the Contractor under any chapter of the Bankruptcy Code or similar relief under any other federal or state law; if Contractor persistently fails to perform the Work in accordance with the Contract documents; if Contractor disregards laws or regulations of any public body having jurisdiction or the Engineer; or otherwise violates in any substantial way any provisions of the Contract.

10.2.1 Owner may, after giving Contractor (and the Surety, if there is one) seven (7) days written notice and to the extent permitted by laws and regulations, terminate the services of Contractor; exclude Contractor from the site and take possession of the Work and of all Contractor's tools, construction equipment and machinery at the site and use the same to the full extent they could be used (without liability to Contractor for trespass or conversion); incorporate in the Work all materials and equipment stored at the site or for which Owner has paid Contractor but which are stored elsewhere, and finish the Work as Owner may deem expedient. In such case, Contractor shall not be entitled to receive any further payment beyond an amount equal to the value of material and equipment not incorporated in the Work, but delivered and suitably stored, less the aggregate of payments previously made. If the direct and indirect costs of completing the Work exceed the unpaid balance of the Contract price, Contractor shall pay the difference to Owner. Such costs incurred by Owner shall be verified by Owner and incorporated in a change order; but in finishing the Work, Owner shall not be required to obtain the lowest figure for the Work performed. Contractor's obligations to pay the difference between such costs and such unpaid balance shall survive termination of the Agreement.

- 10.3 If, through no act or fault of Contractor, the Work is suspended for a period of more than ninety (90) days by Owner or under an order of court or other public authority, or Engineer fails to act on any application or fails to pay Contractor any sum finally determined to be due; then Contractor may, upon seven (7) days written notice to Owner terminate the Agreement and recover from Owner payment for all Work executed, any expense sustained plus reasonable termination expenses. In lieu of terminating the Agreement, if Engineer has failed to act on any application of payment or Owner has failed to make any payment as aforesaid, Contractor may upon seven (7) days written notice to Owner stop the Work until payment of all amounts then due.

ARTICLE 11. CONTRACT CLAIMS

- 11.1 The rendering of a decision by Engineer with respect to any such claim, dispute or other matter (except any which have been waived by the making or acceptance of final payment) will be a condition precedent to any exercise by Owner or Contractor of such right or remedies as either may otherwise have under the Contract documents or by laws or regulations in respect of any such claim, dispute or other matter. No action, either at law or at equity, shall be brought in connection with any such claim, dispute or other matter later than thirty (30) days after the date on which Owner/Engineer has rendered such written decision in respect thereof. Failure to bring an action within said thirty (30) day period shall result in Engineer's decision being final and binding on the Contractor. In no event may any such action be brought after the time at which instituting such proceedings would be otherwise barred by the applicable statute of limitations.
- 11.2 Before bringing any action in court pertaining to any claim, dispute or other matter in question(s) arising out of or relating to the Contract documents or the breach thereof, or Engineer's final decision, except for claims which have been waived by the making and acceptance of final payment, the Contractor shall first submit written notice(s) of Contract claims to the Purchasing Official for a decision; within the earlier of sixty (60) days after the last date on which the Contractor provided any goods or services required by the Contract or after the date on which the Contractor knew or should have known such a claim existed. The Manatee County Code of Laws, Section 2-26-63, Contract Claims, details the requirements and process for such a claim.

ARTICLE 12. RESIDENT PROJECT REPRESENTATIVE - DUTIES, RESPONSIBILITIES

- 12.1 Resident Project Representative is Engineer/Owner's Agent, who will act as directed by and under the supervision of the Engineer, and who will confer with Owner/Engineer regarding his actions. Resident Project Representative's dealing in matters pertaining to the on-site Work shall, in general, be only with the Owner/Engineer and Contractor and dealings with Subcontractors shall only be through or with the full knowledge of Contractor.
- 12.2 Resident Project Representative will:
- 12.2.1 Review the progress schedule, schedule of shop drawing submissions and schedule of values prepared by Contractor and consult with Owner/Engineer concerning their acceptability.
 - 12.2.2 Attend preconstruction conferences. Arrange a schedule of progress meetings and other job conferences as required in consultation with Owner/Engineer and notify those expected to attend in advance. Attend meetings and maintain and circulate copies of minutes thereof.

- 12.2.3 Serve as Owner/Engineer's liaison with Contractor, working principally through Contractor's superintendent and assist him in understanding the intent of the Contract documents. As requested by Owner/Engineer, assist in obtaining additional details or information when required at the job site for proper execution of the Work.
- 12.2.4 Receive and record date of receipt of shop drawings and samples, receive samples which are furnished at the site by Contractor and notify Owner/Engineer of their availability for examination.
- 12.2.5 Advise Owner/Engineer and Contractor or his superintendent immediately of the commencement of any Work requiring a shop drawing or sample submission if the submission has not been approved by the Owner/Engineer.
- 12.2.6 Conduct on-site observations of the Work in progress to assist Owner/Engineer in determining if the Work is proceeding in accordance with the Contract documents and that completed Work will conform to the Contract documents.
- 12.2.7 Report to Owner/Engineer whenever he believes that any Work is unsatisfactory, faulty or defective or does not conform to the Contract documents, or does not meet the requirements of any inspections, tests or approvals required or if Work has been damaged prior to final payment; and advise Owner/Engineer when he believes Work should be corrected or rejected or should be uncovered of observation or requires special testing, inspection or approval.
- 12.2.8 Verify that tests, equipment and system start-ups and operating and maintenance instructions are conducted as required by the Contract documents and in the presence of the required personnel, and that Contractor maintains adequate records thereof; observe, record and report to Engineer appropriate details relative to the test procedures and start-ups.
- 12.2.9 Accompany visiting inspectors representing public or other agencies having jurisdiction over the project; record the outcome of these inspections and report to Owner/Engineer.
- 12.2.10 Transmit to Contractor, Owner/Engineer's clarifications and interpretations of the Contract documents.
- 12.2.11 Consider and evaluate Contractor's suggestions or modifications in drawings or Contract Documents and report them with recommendations to Owner/Engineer.

- 12.2.12 Maintain at the job site orderly files for correspondence, reports of job conferences, shop drawings and sample submissions, reproductions of original Contract documents including all addenda, change orders, field orders, additional drawings issued subsequent to the execution of the Contract, Owner/Engineer's clarifications and interpretations of the Contract documents, progress reports and other project related documents.
- 12.2.13 Keep a diary or log book, recording hours on the job site, weather conditions, data relative to questions of extras or deductions; list of visiting officials and representatives or manufacturers, fabricators, suppliers and distributors; daily activities, decisions, observations in general and specific observations in more detail as in the case of observing test procedures. Send copies to Owner/Engineer.
- 12.2.14 Record names, addresses and telephone numbers of all Contractors, Subcontractors and major Suppliers of materials and equipment.
- 12.2.15 Furnish Owner/Engineer periodic reports as required of progress of the Work and Contractor's compliance with the approved progress schedule and schedule of shop drawing submissions.
- 12.2.16 Consult with Owner/Engineer in advance of scheduling major tests, inspections or start of important phases of the Work.
- 12.2.17 Report immediately the occurrence of any accident.
- 12.2.18 Review applications for payment with Contractor for compliance with the established procedure for their submission and forward them with recommendations to Owner/Engineer, noting particularly their relation to the Schedule of Values, Work completed and materials and equipment delivered at the site but not incorporated in the Work.
- 12.2.19 During the course of the Work, verify that certificates, maintenance and operations manuals and other data required to be assembled and furnished by Contractor are applicable to the items actually installed, and deliver this material to Owner/Engineer for his review prior to final acceptance of the Work.
- 12.2.20 Before Owner/Engineer issues a Certificate of Substantial Completion, submit to Contractor a list of observed items requiring completion or correction.
- 12.2.21 Conduct final inspection in the company of Owner/Engineer and Contractor and prepare a final list of items to be completed or corrected.

12.2.22 Verify that all items on final list have been completed or corrected and make recommendations to Owner/Engineer concerning acceptance.

12.3 Except upon written instructions of Owner/Engineer, Resident Project Representative:

12.3.1 Shall not authorize any deviation from the Contract documents or approve any substitute materials or equipment;

12.3.2 Shall not exceed limitations on Owner/Engineer's authority as set forth in the Contract documents;

12.3.3 Shall not undertake any of the responsibilities of Contractor, Subcontractors or Contractor's superintendent, or expedite the Work;

12.3.4 Shall not advise on or issue directions relative to any aspect of the means, methods, techniques, sequences or procedures of construction unless such is specifically called for in the Contract documents;

12.3.5 Shall not advise on or issue directions as to safety precautions and programs in connection with the Work;

12.3.6 Shall not authorize Owner to occupy the project in whole or in part; and

12.3.7 Shall not participate in specialized field or laboratory tests.

ARTICLE 13. APPRENTICES

13.1 If successful Contractor employs apprentices, he shall be governed and comply with the provisions of F.S. § 446.011.

NOTE: The form of all submittals, notices, change orders and other documents permitted or required to be used or transmitted under the Contract shall be determined by the County. Standard County forms shall be utilized.

END OF SECTION

LABEL TO AFFIX TO OUTSIDE OF SEALED BID PACKAGE

Cut along the outside border and affix this label to your sealed Bid envelope to identify it as a "Sealed Bid". Be sure to include the name of the company submitting the Bid where requested.

LABEL TO AFFIX TO OUTSIDE OF SEALED BID PACKAGE:

SEALED BID - DO NOT OPEN

CONTRACTOR: _____

SEALED BID NO: 12-2151-OV

BID TITLE: Force Main Replacement Project (1A, 2A, 16A)

DUE DATE/TIME: January 15, 2013 at 2:00 PM

**MANATEE COUNTY GOVERNMENT
PUBLIC CONSTRUCTION BOND**

Bond No. _____
(Enter bond number)

BY THIS BOND, We _____, located at _____, as
(Name of Contractor) (Address)

Principal and _____, a corporation, whose address is
(Name of Surety)

are bound to Manatee County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida, herein called County, in the sum of \$ _____, for payment of which we bind ourselves, our heirs, personal representatives, successors, and assigns, jointly and severally.

WHEREAS, the Contractor has entered into Contract No. 13-XXXX with the County for the project titled _____, with conditions and provisions as are further described in the aforementioned Contract, which Contract is by reference made a part hereof for the purposes of explaining this bond.

THE CONDITION OF THIS BOND is that if Principal:

1. Performs Contract No. 13-XXXX, between Principal and County for construction of _____, the Contract being made a part of this bond by reference, at
(Title of Project)

the times and in the manner prescribed in the Contract; and

2. Promptly makes payments to all claimants, as defined in Section 255.05(1), Florida Statutes, supplying Principal with labor, materials, or supplies, used directly or indirectly by Principal in the prosecution of the work provided for in the Contract; and

3. Pays County all losses, damages, expenses, costs, and attorney's fees, including appellate proceedings, that County sustains because of a default by Principal under the Contract; and

4. Performs the guarantee of all work and materials furnished under the Contract for the time specified in the Contract, then this bond is void; otherwise it remains in full force.

Any action instituted by a claimant under this bond for payment must be in accordance with the notice and time limitation provisions in Section 255.05(2), Florida Statutes.

Any changes in or under the Contract documents and compliance or noncompliance with any formalities connected with the Contract or the changes does not affect Surety's obligation under this bond.

DATED ON _____.

CONTRACTOR AS PRINCIPAL

SURETY

Company Name

Company Name

Signature

Signature

Print Name & Title

Print Name & Title

(Corporate Seal)

(Corporate Seal)

Company Name

Address

Telephone

Licensed Florida Insurance Agent?

☐

Yes

☐

No

License #: _____

State of: _____

County of: _____

City of: _____

General Decision Number: FL120165 09/28/2012 FL165

Superseded General Decision Number: FL20100264

State: Florida

Construction Type: Heavy

County: Manatee County in Florida.

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS (Including Sewer and Water Lines)

Modification Number	Publication Date
0	01/06/2012
1	03/09/2012
2	03/30/2012
3	04/06/2012
4	09/28/2012

ELEC0915-003 12/01/2011

	Rates	Fringes
ELECTRICIAN.....	\$ 24.64	34%+\$0.25

ENGI0925-008 01/01/2012

	Rates	Fringes
POWER EQUIPMENT OPERATOR:		
Crawler Cranes; Truck		
Cranes; Pile Driver		
Cranes; Rough Terrain		
Cranes; and Any Crane not		
otherwise described below...	\$ 28.91	10.74
Hydraulic Cranes Rated 100		
Tons or Above but Less		
Than 250 Tons; and Lattice		
Boom Cranes Less Than 150		
Tons if not described below...	\$ 29.91	10.74
Lattice Boom Cranes Rated		
at 150 Tons or Above;		
Friction Cranes of Any		
Size; Mobile Tower Cranes		
or Luffing Boom Cranes of		
Any Size; Electric Tower		
Cranes; Hydraulic Cranes		
Rated at 250 Tons or		
Above; and Any Crane		
Equipped with 300 Foot or		
More of Any Boom		
Combination.....	\$ 30.91	10.74
Oiler.....	\$ 22.38	10.74

* IRON0397-006 07/01/2012

	Rates	Fringes
IRONWORKER, STRUCTURAL.....	\$ 27.67	12.59

LABO0517-002 05/01/2008

	Rates	Fringes
LABORER: Grade Checker.....	\$ 17.20	5.47

PAIN0088-008 07/01/2008

	Rates	Fringes
PAINTER: Brush, Roller and Spray.....	\$ 16.00	6.85

SUFL2009-161 06/24/2009

	Rates	Fringes
CARPENTER.....	\$ 14.95	2.92
CEMENT MASON/CONCRETE FINISHER...	\$ 14.77	3.50
LABORER: Common or General.....	\$ 10.90	0.38
LABORER: Landscape.....	\$ 7.25	0.00
LABORER: Pipelayer.....	\$ 13.75	2.06
LABORER: Power Tool Operator (Hand Held Drills/Saws, Jackhammer and Power Saws Only).....	\$ 10.63	2.20
OPERATOR: Asphalt Paver.....	\$ 11.59	0.00
OPERATOR: Backhoe Loader Combo.....	\$ 16.10	2.44
OPERATOR: Backhoe/Excavator.....	\$ 15.00	0.52
OPERATOR: Bulldozer.....	\$ 17.00	0.00
OPERATOR: Grader/Blade.....	\$ 16.00	2.84
OPERATOR: Loader.....	\$ 14.75	0.00
OPERATOR: Mechanic.....	\$ 14.32	0.00
OPERATOR: Roller.....	\$ 10.76	0.00
OPERATOR: Scraper.....	\$ 11.00	1.74
OPERATOR: Trackhoe.....	\$ 20.92	5.50
OPERATOR: Tractor.....	\$ 10.54	0.00
TRUCK DRIVER, Includes Dump Truck.....	\$ 11.00	0.00
TRUCK DRIVER: Lowboy Truck.....	\$ 12.73	0.00

TRUCK DRIVER: Off the Road

Truck.....\$ 12.21 1.97

WELDERS - Receive rate prescribed for craft performing operation to which welding is incidental.

Unlisted classifications needed for work not included within the scope of the classifications listed may be added after award only as provided in the labor standards contract clauses (29CFR 5.5 (a) (1) (ii)).

The body of each wage determination lists the classification and wage rates that have been found to be prevailing for the cited type(s) of construction in the area covered by the wage determination. The classifications are listed in alphabetical order of "identifiers" that indicate whether the particular rate is union or non-union.

Union Identifiers

An identifier enclosed in dotted lines beginning with characters other than "SU" denotes that the union classification and rate have found to be prevailing for that classification. Example: PLUM0198-005 07/01/2011. The first four letters, PLUM, indicate the international union and the four-digit number, 0198, that follows indicates the local union number or district council number where applicable, i.e., Plumbers Local 0198. The next number, 005 in the example, is an internal number used in processing the wage determination. The date, 07/01/2011, following these characters is the effective date of the most current negotiated rate/collective bargaining agreement which would be July 1, 2011 in the above example.

Union prevailing wage rates will be updated to reflect any changes in the collective bargaining agreements governing the rate.

0000/9999: weighted union wage rates will be published annually each January.

Non-Union Identifiers

Classifications listed under an "SU" identifier were derived from survey data by computing average rates and are not union rates; however, the data used in computing these rates may include both union and non-union data. Example: SULA2004-007 5/13/2010. SU indicates the rates are not union rates, LA indicates the State of Louisiana; 2004 is the year of the

survey; and 007 is an internal number used in producing the wage determination. A 1993 or later date, 5/13/2010, indicates the classifications and rates under that identifier were issued as a General Wage Determination on that date.

Survey wage rates will remain in effect and will not change until a new survey is conducted.

WAGE DETERMINATION APPEALS PROCESS

1.) Has there been an initial decision in the matter? This can be:

- * an existing published wage determination
- * a survey underlying a wage determination
- * a Wage and Hour Division letter setting forth a position on a wage determination matter
- * a conformance (additional classification and rate) ruling

On survey related matters, initial contact, including requests for summaries of surveys, should be with the Wage and Hour Regional Office for the area in which the survey was conducted because those Regional Offices have responsibility for the Davis-Bacon survey program. If the response from this initial contact is not satisfactory, then the process described in 2.) and 3.) should be followed.

With regard to any other matter not yet ripe for the formal process described here, initial contact should be with the Branch of Construction Wage Determinations. Write to:

Branch of Construction Wage Determinations
Wage and Hour Division
U.S. Department of Labor
200 Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20210

2.) If the answer to the question in 1.) is yes, then an interested party (those affected by the action) can request review and reconsideration from the Wage and Hour Administrator (See 29 CFR Part 1.8 and 29 CFR Part 7). Write to:

Wage and Hour Administrator
U.S. Department of Labor
200 Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20210

The request should be accompanied by a full statement of the interested party's position and by any information (wage payment data, project description, area practice material, etc.) that the requestor considers relevant to the issue.

3.) If the decision of the Administrator is not favorable, an interested party may appeal directly to the Administrative Review Board (formerly the Wage Appeals Board). Write to:

Administrative Review Board

U.S. Department of Labor
200 Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20210

4.) All decisions by the Administrative Review Board are final.

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END OF GENERAL DECISION