

### 1. NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR PREQUALIFICATION

- A. Notice is hereby given that the District has determined that all contractors wishing to bid on the Penitencia Delivery Main and Penitencia Force Main Seismic Retrofit Project (Project) must be prequalified prior to submitting a bid on the Project. A current Class A California Contractor's License is required to bid on the Project. Bids will not be accepted from any contractor that has failed to comply with these requirements. The District reserves the right to solicit bids for the Project without requiring prequalification, and not to proceed with awarding a contract for this Project.
- B. Project Description: the Project consists of removing and replacing the existing pre-stressed concrete cylinder pipe (PCCP) and welded steel pipe with earthquake-resistant ductile iron pipe and welded steel pipe. The Project is located at the Penitencia Water Treatment Plant (PWTP) in San Jose, California. Two pipelines, with diameters of 72-inches and 66-inches, provide raw water to PWTP, and a third 60-inch pipeline conveys treated water from PWTP to the District's water retailers. Approximately 850 feet of each pipeline will be replaced. The total length of pipe to be replaced is approximately 2,550 feet.

The earthquake-resistant ductile iron pipe to be used on the Project is manufactured in Japan. The contractor will be required to procure and arrange for delivery of the pipe from the manufacturer. The District estimates the construction cost for this Project to be approximately \$17.1 million. Except for pre-shutdown activities, it is expected that the work will be performed during an approximate six month period from November 2016 to April 2017. PWTP will not be operational during that period. The contractor will be required to mobilize and begin installation of some aspects of the Project before the November 2016 shutdown.

- C. Application Submission: the fully completed Prequalification Application must be submitted in a sealed envelope marked—**CONFIDENTIAL—Prequalification Application, PDM/PFM Seismic Retrofit Project** addressed to Beth Redmond, Capital Program Planning and Analysis Unit Manager, Santa Clara Valley Water District, 5750 Almaden Expressway, San Jose, California 95118, no later than 2 p.m. on **November 9, 2015**. It is the sole responsibility of the contractor to ensure that their Prequalification Application is received no later than the stated deadline.

Contractors electing to submit Prequalification Applications by FEDEX, UPS, DHL, CA Overnight, Golden State Overnight etc., must address the outside delivery envelope as follows:

Santa Clara Valley Water District  
**Attention: Beth Redmond - Prequalification Application, PDM/PFM  
Seismic Retrofit Project (CONFIDENTIAL)**  
5905 Winfield Boulevard  
San Jose, CA 95123-2428

**Note:** USPS (U.S. Mail) does not deliver to 5905 Winfield Boulevard

- D. Prequalification Conference and Site Visit: a prequalification conference/site visit will be conducted by the District on **October 15, 2015**. The conference will convene at **9:30 a.m.** at the Penitencia Water Treatment Plant in San Jose, California. For contractors who will be submitting a Prequalification Application, attendance at the prequalification conference/site visit is:

Mandatory  **Optional**

The Prequalification Conference will begin with the District's presentation about the Project and will be followed with a site visit. The objective of the site visit is to familiarize contractors with the site. No additional conferences or site visits will be conducted or allowed. Due to security reasons, any contractor interested in attending the prequalification conference/site showing should send an e-mail to [scvwdplanroom@valleywater.org](mailto:scvwdplanroom@valleywater.org) and provide the name(s) and company of each person who will be attending the prequalification conference/site showing. Every attendee will be required to show a photo ID (CA Driver's License, CA Photo ID, passport) and obtain a visitor's badge. Photography within the facility is restricted. Photos are subject to review by security and/or District personnel before being allowed to leave the premises. Contractors must be escorted by District personnel while on the premises.

Reasonable efforts will be made to accommodate persons with disabilities wishing to attend the prequalification conference/site visit. Please request accommodations when confirming attendance.

- E. The Prequalification Application and reference documents for General Contractors seeking to prequalify on the Penitencia Delivery Main and Penitencia Force Main Seismic Retrofit Project can be obtained through the District's website: <http://www.valleywater.org/Programs/Construction.aspx>. The 60% design submittal documents will be available in electronic (.pdf) format only and will be transferred via the file transfer protocol (FTP) site. The documents contain confidential information and will be made available for review only after the Contractor completes and executes the Request for Plans & Specs with Non-Disclosure Agreement (NDA). All communications related to this Prequalification Process, including addenda, will only be issued to the e-mail address provided on the Prequalification Participant List; all addenda will be posted on District's

website. To be included on the Prequalification Participant List, prospective applicants must notify the District by e-mailing [scvwdplanroom@valleywater.org](mailto:scvwdplanroom@valleywater.org).

The District will notify contractors that submit a Prequalification Application of proposed prequalification ratings. A list of proposed prequalified ratings will be posted to the District website. The District reserves the right to not make prequalification determination(s) as to any or all contractors submitting a completed Prequalification Application.

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