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Subject: Letter of Clarification No. 1
Fire Hydrants

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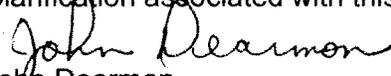
To All Prospective Bidders:

This Letter of Clarification is issued for the following reason:

- To revise the above referenced solicitation as follow:
 1. In Section B, **replace**: "page 6 of 19, with attached page 6 of 19 marked revised 09/2014".

This Letter of Clarification will be considered part of the solicitation referenced above. All revisions, responses, and answers incorporated into the Letter(s) of Clarification are collaboratively from both the Strategic Procurement Division and the applicable City Department(s).

Furthermore, it is the responsibility of each BIDDER to obtain any previous Letter(s) of Clarification associated with this solicitation.


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SECTION B.
CITY OF HOUSTON
TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS
FOR
FIRE HYDRANTS
FOR THE
PUBLIC WORKS & ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

1.0 OVERVIEW:

In step one of the Fire Hydrant Application for Certification of Responsibility process the manufacturers/suppliers submitted its specifications and the City of Houston's (COH) review committee determined if the fire hydrants met the City of Houston published specifications. There are seven (7) suppliers that are certified manufacturers/suppliers that satisfied the requirements and were issued Certificates of Responsibility. The seven (7) manufacturers/suppliers approved and certified to bid this solicitation are as follows: 1) Mueller Company Ltd. 2) U.S. Pipe Valve & Hydrant 3) American AVK Company 4) American Flow Control 5) Clow Valve Co. 6) E.J. USA Inc. and 7) Kennedy Valve. Also, there are seven (7) distributors that are approved to bid this solicitation which includes: 1) HD Supply Waterworks 2) Ferguson Waterworks 3) ACT Pipe and Supply 4) Morrison Supply Co. 5) MDN Enterprises 6) Techline Pipe & Supply and 7) KLP Commercial.

2.0 POST AWARD MEETING:

Once the award has been approved by City Council, Public Works & Engineering reserves the right to schedule a post-award meeting with the successful supplier and Public Works & Engineering end users. The meeting will include representatives from Procurement, Public Works & Engineering Contact Management, Accounts Payable, and others as deemed appropriate.

3.0 AWARD COMPLIANCE:

The Department of Public Works and Engineering reserves the right to monitor this award for compliance to ensure legal obligations are fulfilled and that acceptable levels of service are provided.

3.1 Monitoring may take the form of, but shall not necessarily be limited to:

3.1.1 Site visits

3.1.2 Testing and sampling of goods and services

3.1.3 Review of deliveries received for accuracy and timeliness

3.1.4 Review of permits, certifications and/or licenses

3.1.5 Review of supplier's invoices for accuracy

3.2 The responsibility for monitoring compliance rests with the Contract Compliance Section, Management Support Branch of the Office of the Director, Department of Public Works and Engineering.

4.0 PRICE ADJUSTMENT:

4.1 Direct Cost:

In this section means Supplier's cost from the manufacturer of any item or if Supplier is the manufacturer, the cost of raw materials required to manufacture the item, plus costs of transportation from manufacturer to Supplier and Supplier to the City.