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Subject: Letter of Clarification No. 3

Reference: Invitation to Bid (ITB) No.: S56-S25116 for Concrete and High Density Polyethylene (HDPE) Drainage Materials for the Public Works and Engineering Department

To All Prospective Bidders:

This Letter of Clarification is issued for the following reasons:

- To revise the above referenced solicitation as follows:
 1. *At the e-bid website, Group I, Line Item 4 the description and the quantity have been **changed**.*
 2. *At the e-bid website, Group I, Line Item 5 has been **added**.*
- To answer the following questions:
 1. Question: *"We are trying to bid the concrete pipe supply contract but it is confusing to me, at least. The unit bid item for the round pipe says per each and then specifies in most cases 4' lengths which would make some of the quantities huge like in the case of the 24" – 4000ea. X 4 equals 16,000'. Is that what you intended? Then it gets more confusing on the 36" because it still says per each, but the bid document specifies either 4' or 6'. Could you please clarify? Finally on the 30" I cannot find any manufacturer that has a 4' joint – only 6'."*

Answer: *The 24" is the circumference of the inside of the pipe. The pipe comes in 4' lengths. The 36" is the circumference of the inside of the pipe. The pipe comes in 4' or 6' lengths. The "Bid Form" shows the "unit of measure" as "each." "Each" translates to "linear foot" as defined in the item description. Therefore, the bidder is required to submit its bid based on a price per "linear foot."*

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2. Question: *"I submitted my bid on the 28th. Do I need to submit it again on the 4th?"*

Answer: Yes.

3. Question: *"Would you please advise though, I have not been able to find the current contract on the city's purchasing catalog, is this the first time this is being out for bid? We were hoping to find out who has the current contract and/or what brand is currently being used and at what prices. Would you please help us in finding this out?"*

Answer: *The City's E-catalog has been updated and the information on the previous solicitation is available.*

This Letter of Clarification will be considered part of the solicitation referenced on the first page of this document. 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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