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GWA IFB 2022-05 relative to Galvanized Pipes
GWA Response to Inquiries No. 2

This Response to Request for Information (RFI) is issued to modify the previously issued bid documents and/or given for informational purposes and to the extent the responses below the following responses are in response to RFIs received from a vendor on May 18, 19, 20 and 24, 31, 2022 and June 13, 14, and 27, 2022.

REF:	QUESTION/INQUIRY AS SUBMITTED:	GWA RESPONSE:
Questions from May 18, 2022		
1.	We're respectfully requesting for a bid extension to June 15, 2022 for IFB 2022-05 Galvanized Pipes.	Please refer to Bid Amendment No.1
Questions from May 19, 2022		
2.	I wanted to clarify on the pipes, do those need to be Buy America spec or Buy American?	“Buy America spec” or “Buy American” are not required for the pipes. To provide further clarity, IV. SPECIAL PROVISIONS, SECTION 6, entitled Warranty; shall now be amended to now read as; The successful bidder shall warrant that all goods and services to be provided hereunder are fit for the intended purpose stated in this Bid, must meet specified standards (ASTM, NSF, and ANSI) in order to ensure that GWA has good quality products that are required and safe that meets the drinking water standards. The bidder shall also warrant all goods and services provided under this Bid to be free from manufacturer’s defects for a period of not less than 3 years after

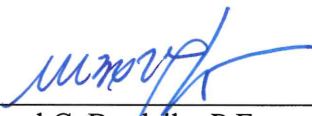
	Also, the pipes, do they need to be threaded?	<p>receipt of goods unless the manufacturer provides for a longer standard warranty, in which case, the longer term shall apply. The warranty shall require the vendor to bear all costs to provide replacement goods within a reasonable period. GWA may in certain limited circumstances such as where GWA's ability to provide service to its customers is a risk or has already been impacted, require a replacement be provided within 72 hours after notice of such need has been provided to the vendor.</p> <p>Yes, please refer to I. BID ITEMS, under TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS FOR ITEMS 1.0 THROUGH 3.0.</p>
Questions from May 20, 2022		
3.	<p>So, do we still need to have bid bond for this project?</p> <p>Also, why can a company request for lowering the quantity because if we lower the quantity the price will be higher for the agency.</p> <p>Also, I wanted to ask if we can extend the bid for 2 weeks.</p>	<p>Yes, a bid bond will be required to be submitted as stated, under IV. SPECIAL PROVISIONS, Section 1, entitled Bid and Performance Bond Requirements.</p> <p>This is an "Indefinite Quantity Bid" pursuant to the Guam Procurement Regulations. <u>The quantities reflected are only estimated and not guarantee of amounts to be purchased.</u> Quantities may increase or decrease thru the duration of the contract and continued purchase is subject to the availability of funds. No guarantee or other commitment is made to vendors in terms of purchasing quantity and the amounts set forth in this bid are only estimates of needs for the near term.</p> <p>Please refer to Bid Amendment No.1</p>
Questions from May 24, 2022		
4.	In regards to the galvanized pipes bid. I wanted to make sure that the galvanized pipes had to be made in America or is there no	It is not required that the "galvanized pipes had to be made in America." To provide further clarity, please refer to IV.

	<p>requirement for that because it was not mentioned specifically?</p>	<p>SPECIAL PROVISIONS, SECTION 6, entitled Warranty; which shall be amended to now read as; The successful bidder shall warrant that all goods and services to be provided hereunder are fit for the intended purpose stated in this Bid, must meet the specified standards (ASTM, NSF, and ANSI) in order to ensure that GWA has good quality products that are required and safe that meets the drinking water standards. The bidder shall also warrant all goods and services provided under this Bid to be free from manufacturer's defects for a period of not less than 3 years after receipt of goods unless the manufacturer provides for a longer standard warranty, in which case, the longer term shall apply. The warranty shall require the vendor to bear all costs to provide replacement goods within a reasonable period. GWA may in certain limited circumstances such as where GWA's ability to provide service to its customers is a risk or has already been impacted, require a replacement be provided within 72 hours after notice of such need has been provided to the vendor.</p>
<p>Questions from May 31, 2022</p>		
<p>5.</p>	<p>Due to unavailability of the domestically-produced product in the U.S. mainland, we would like to request that your requirement under Section IV.6. for the items be manufactured in the United States be waived, and accept foreign manufactured pipes that conform to ASTM A53/A53M standard. Also, the requirement for NSF 60/61 standard be waived too.</p>	<p>In the Bid, IV. SPECIAL PROVISIONS, SECTION 6, entitled Warranty; shall be amended to now read as; The successful bidder shall warrant that all goods and services to be provided hereunder are fit for the intended purpose stated in this Bid, must meet standards (ASTM, NSF, and ANSI) in order to ensure that GWA has good quality products that are required and safe that meets the drinking water standards. The bidder shall also warrant all goods and services provided under this Bid to be free from manufacturer's defects</p>

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Questions from June 13, 2022		
6.	I would like to follow up your response to our inquiry of May 31, 2022.	Please refer to above response Number 5.
Questions from June 14, 2022		
7.	Would it be acceptable to bid on pipes manufactured in South Korea and/or China, but purchased from a US vendor?	Please refer to above response Number 5.
Questions from June 27, 2022		
8.	Kindly following up on our inquiry regarding IFB 2022-05. Would it be acceptable to bid on pipes manufactured in South Korea and/or China, but purchased from a US vendor?	Please refer to above response Number 5.

Bidders are also notified to visit GWA website: www.guamwaterworks.org to ensure that addenda to the bid, answers to questions, and reminders are communicated to all bidders throughout the solicitation process.

6. 27. 2022
Date


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