

GAC Treatment of Wells A-23 and A-25 Construction GWA Project No. W14-006-BND IFB-01-ENG-2024 GWA RFI Response No. 1 to Contractor Inquiries

This Addendum and/or 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 modify the bid documents, please treat them as an amendment to the IFB. The following responses are in response to RFIs received.

	DATE	QUESTION/INQUIRY AS SUBMITTED:	GWA RESPONSE:
	10/18/24	Based on the RSSCT report provided by EPS Labs in 2020, the	The F400 meets the necessary standards and is acceptable.
1		named material in the bid documents is GAC400 from Norit. This	
		report was based on a trigger of 70 ng/L of PFOS. However, this	
		is out of date. The EPA has since set the MCL for PFOS at 4 ng/L.	
		Looking at the data provided, the F400 (our product) lasts nearly	
		twice as long before breakthrough at 4 ng/L. In light of this - can	
		you clarify that the named material should instead be F400? If	
		equivalent products are allowed, they should be required to be,	
		at a minimum, "US made reagglomerated bituminous coal" (both	
		F400 and GAC400 meet this requirement).	
	10/18/24	The specification calls out a number of items that are NSF 61	The fully NSF-61 compliant system may be submitted for
		compliant (pipe lining, expansion joints, etc). The system we	GWA review.
		would like to bid is, instead, fully NSF 61 certified as-is, without	
		these additional, more costly components. Would it be okay for	
2		us to bid our standard, NSF 61 compliant system? I've attached a	
		specification for this for your review. The attached specification	
		is very similar to the bid specification, differing only in these	
		minor details, though the cost difference is large. This is the	
		system we provide to most of our mainland water districts.	

3	10/18/24	Bag Filters - The specification names "Filtra-Systems Model #FSSB080808S4NR" as the approved bag filter to be provided. Would it be okay for us to offer a similar unit made by Fil-Trek, or comparable? a. Can you confirm the desired micron rating on the filter bags? b. Can you confirm the connection Style (A, B, C or D)?	a. A 5 micrometer micron rating on the filter bags should suffice.b. The setup follows Connection Style D.
4	10/18/24	Would it be okay to provide ductile iron process piping instead of	The provision of ductile iron piping is deemed as
		carbon steel?	acceptable.

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

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