

REQUEST FOR BID

5660' of 2" Copper Tubing for Lake Spivey Project

Bid ID: 2023-FIN-23

NOVEMBER 2023

Bid Opening Virtual Teams Meeting:

Tuesday, December 5, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. local time

Non-Mandatory

Virtual Teams Pre-Bid Meeting: Friday, November 17, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. local time

This solicitation has a SLBE BID DISCOUNT

Table of Contents

Division 1	General Overview
Section 1 Section 2	Request for Bids1-1.1General Information1-2.12.1Bid Overview1-2.12.2Bid Evaluation1-2.12.3Special Provisions1-2.12.4Addendum1-2.2
Division 2 Section 1 Section 2	Bid Requirements Instructions to Bidders2-1.1 Risk Management Requirements (Not Required)
Section 3 Section 4 Section 5	Bid Submittal Requirements
Section 6 Section 7 Section 8	Bidder Qualification Information2-6.1 Contractor Affidavit & Agreement (Not Required) Small Local Business Enterprises (SLBE) General Information2-8.1
Division 3 Section 4 Section 5	Contract Forms Non-Collusion Certificate
Division 4 Section 1	SpecificationsGeneral Requirements4-1.14.1General Requirements4.2Delivery Requirements4-1.1
Attachments	W-9 Form Vendor Information Form Bid Package Label
Addenda	All addenda issued.

END OF TABLE OF CONTENTS

General Overview

Division 1

Section 1: Request for Bids

Clayton County Water Authority 1600 Battle Creek Road Morrow, Georgia 30260

Name of Project: 5660' of 2" Copper Tubing for Lake Spivey Project.

The Clayton County Water Authority will open sealed bids from vendors via a Virtual Teams Meeting on **Tuesday, December 5, 2023 at 10:00 AM (local time)** for supplying 5660' of 2" Copper Tubing for Lake Spivey Project.

Any bids received after the specified time will not be considered.

A Non-Mandatory Pre-Bid Virtual Meeting will be held on **Friday, November 17, 2023 at 10:00 AM (local time)**.

Please use the following call-in instructions to attend both the Pre-Bid and the Bid Opening meetings:

Join Microsoft Teams Meeting Phone Number: +1 912-483-5368 Phone Conference ID: 577 519 745#

CCWA encourages Small Local, Minority and Women-Owned businesses to participate and respond to this bid request.

To promote responsible environmental practices the bid package is available in electronic (Adobe PDF) format and can be requested by calling **770-960-5223**, M-F, 8:00 am - 5:00 pm or by e-mail to ccwa_procurement@ccwa.us.

A hardcopy bid package can also be requested at a cost of \$50.

Clayton County Water Authority By: Cephus Jackson, Chairman

Section 2: General Information

2.1 Bid Overview

This is an invitation to your firm to submit a sealed bid for providing 5660' of 2" Copper Tubing to be used on a Project at Lake Spivey, Jonesboro, GA.

The bids shall be delivered or mailed to the Clayton County Water Authority (CCWA), located at 1600 Battle Creek Road, Morrow, Georgia 30260, in a sealed envelope, on or before **Tuesday, December 5, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. local time**. Any bids received after this date and time will be considered unresponsive. The envelope shall be marked "Sealed Bid" and carry the bid title, date, and time of bid opening (refer to General Instructions to Bidders). A Bid Package Label has been provided with the RFB package for the bidders' convenience.

2.2 Bid Evaluation

The contract will be awarded to the lowest responsive responsible bidder offering the lowest unit price, and whose bid conforms to the RFB specifications. Determination of best response to bid will be the sole judgment of the CCWA. The Clayton County Water Authority reserves the right to make purchases from the next available lowest responsive responsible bidder if the first low bidder is not able to supply the products to meet our needs.

This procurement has a Small Local Business Enterprise (SLBE) bid discount for evaluation purposes only, which will be given to CCWA certified SLBE primes only. For more details, please refer to Division 2, Section 8 of this bid package.

2.3 Special Provisions

- A. Sales tax is not applicable to this bid.
- B. Federal Excise tax is not applicable to this bid.
- C. Orders will be placed by purchase orders.
- D. Delivery must be made upon award of the bid by CCWA.

General Overview

Section 2: General Information

2.4 Addendum

Bidders may submit questions regarding this bid prior to the bid opening. To be considered, all questions from bidders must be received via email to **CCWA_Procurement@ccwa.us** by **10:00 a.m. local time on Tuesday, November 21, 2023**. All responses will be issued in the form of an Addendum via email. All addenda issued shall become part of the Bid Documents.

Section 1: Instructions to Bidders

These instructions are to be followed by every entity proposing to provide the Clayton County Water Authority (CCWA) with goods and/or services. These instructions constitute an integral part of the bid, and any Bidder agrees that tender of a bid constitutes acknowledgment and acceptance of its obligation to adhere to these instructions, which are to be incorporated into and considered part of any contract the Bidder ultimately executes with the CCWA.

- 1. If there is any question whatsoever regarding any portion of the specifications, it shall be the Bidder's responsibility to seek clarification immediately from the CCWA, as early as possible prior to the bid opening. Regarding public works projects, requests for interpretations of specifications must be made in writing to the department proposing out the project not later than five (5) days prior to receipt of bids.
- 2. Unless it is otherwise stated in the bid documents, it shall be the responsibility of the bidder to inform itself as to all conditions of the work site and to make and take account thereof in calculating and submitting its bid. Documents may be made available by the CCWA during the bidding process; no warranty of accuracy is made in regard to these documents, and it is the responsibility of the bidder to make its own investigations as to the nature of the work and the conditions under which it shall be performed, and to make its own independent assumptions as to these matters. The burden of anticipating unforeseen circumstances, either hidden or latent, and the conditions of the work site and all related circumstances, and the cost of accommodating therefore should unanticipated circumstances be later encountered shall rest upon the bidder.
- 3. Pre-bid meeting or any other information session will be held at the location as indicated in the solicitation. Unless indicated otherwise, attendance is not mandatory; although vendors are strongly encouraged to attend. However, in the event the meeting is mandatory, then a representative of the vendor must attend the meeting in its entirety to be considered eligible for solicitation award. Late entry to the meeting will not be allowed.
- 4. In the event that, after the acceptance of a bid by the Board of Directors of the CCWA, any unsuccessful bidder wishes to contest such action, a written "Notice of Contest" must be filed with the General Manager no later than close of business on the 5th business day after the selection of successful bidder by the Board. Failure to timely file such notice shall forever preclude the filing of a contest of the award, or any civil action in the courts of the State of Georgia or of the United States.

Section 1: Instructions to Bidders

- 5. Information submitted by the Bidder in the bid process shall be subject to disclosure after bid award in accordance with the Georgia Open Records Act. Proprietary information must be identified and be accompanied by a signed affidavit outlining the redacted information. Entire bids may not be deemed proprietary.
- 6. Bids must be made on the enclosed bid Form. Unless otherwise requested, one (1) original and at least two (2) copies of the bid Form need to be submitted, and these copies must be typewritten or printed in ink. All copies of any bid Forms must be signed in ink by the person or persons authorized to sign the bid Form. The person signing the bid Form must initial any changes or corrections.
- 7. The name of the person, firm, or corporation making the bid must be printed in ink, along with the Bidder's signature, on all separate sheets of the bid Form. If a bid is made by an individual, his name and post office address must be shown. If made by a firm, or partnership, the name and the post office address of each member of the firm or partnership must be shown. If made by a Corporation, the person or persons signing the bid must show the name of the State under the laws of which the Corporation is chartered and his, or their, authority for signing same. The names, titles and addresses of the President, Secretary and the Treasurer and the corporate authority for doing business in this state shall be listed and returned with the bid Form.
- 8. All bids must be hand delivered, delivered by courier service, or mailed via the United States Postal Service. No facsimiles will be accepted. The person, firm, or corporation making the bid shall submit it in a sealed envelope on or before the date and time specified in the bid package. The envelope shall be marked "**Sealed Bid**" and carry the bid title, Contractor's License Number and date and time of opening as set forth in the bid package. The envelope shall also bear the name of the party making the bid and the party's address. Address bids to *Clayton County Water Authority, 1600 Battle Creek Road, Morrow, Georgia, 30260.* Even if a bid is not submitted, the bid form should be returned signed and with an explanation, otherwise the result will be deletion from the mailing list.
- 9. If published price books are a part of your bid, one price book must be included with your bid Form, and the successful Bidder is required to furnish additional current price books after award of the bid.
- 10. Alterations to the documents are strictly prohibited and shall result in automatic disqualification of the Bidder's bid. If there are "exceptions" to the specifications or

Section 1: Instructions to Bidders

comments to any of the solicitation requirements or other language, then the bidder may ask questions regarding those requirements or submit additional documentation as to the variation from the specifications but may not alter any of the language contained in the solicitation.

- 11. In the case of goods, the person, firm or corporation making the bid may propose all items. All items may be considered separately, at the discretion of the CCWA.
- 12. Bids for public works whose price exceeds \$100,000.00 must be accompanied by a certified check, cashier's check, or acceptable bid bond in an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the amount bid.
- 13. Bidders for construction contracts where the laws of Georgia or the United States of America require a license in order to perform such construction must list the license number and class on the face of the bid envelope and must enclose copies of any required license with the bid.
- 14. When public work is let out for bid, no person shall prevent or attempt to prevent competition in such bid. Such Bidders must make an oath filed with the officer who makes payments under the contract that they have not prevented or attempted to prevent competition in the bid process. Such oath must be signed by: if a partnership, all partners and any officer or agent or other person who acted on the partnership's behalf during the bid process; if a corporation, all officers, agents, or other persons who acted for the corporation in the bid process.
- 15. Bids shall not be withdrawn or cancelled by the bidder past the bid opening date and time. The bidder may make modifications/corrections to the bid by submitting a corrected seal bid but only if the change is prior to the bid opening. The corrected document should be clearly marked that it supersedes the bid originally submitted. No modification or corrections will be allowed subsequent to the bid opening.
- 16. By tendering a bid, a Bidder agrees to leave the bid open for acceptance by the CCWA for ninety (90) days after the date set for the opening thereof.
- 17. By tendering a bid, the Bidder certifies that the Bidder has carefully examined these instructions and the terms and specifications applicable to and made a part of the bid. The Bidder further certifies that the prices shown in any schedule of items on which the Bidder is proposing are in accordance with the conditions, terms and specifications of the bid and that they are aware that any exception taken thereto may disqualify the bid. Bidders are required to inform themselves fully as to the

Section 1: Instructions to Bidders

availability of materials and the conditions relating to construction and labor under which any work will be or is now being performed. No error or misjudgment nor any lack of information on local conditions, general laws or regulations on the part of the Bidder shall merit withdrawal of the bid.

- 18. Copies of all communication pertaining to bids must be sent to the Procurement and Compliance Section.
- 19. The purpose of this bid is to establish contract prices. Unit price extension and net total must be shown if applicable. Cash discounts should be indicated separately. Any applicable sales taxes should be included in the unit prices for all materials to be provided by the successful Bidder.
- 20. Bidders are hereby notified and agree by submission of a bid Form that if additional items not listed in the bid Form become necessary and require unit prices not established by the bid Form, the unit prices of such items shall be negotiated and shall be directly proportional to the established unit prices of similar items in the bid Form.
- 21. All prices on goods shall be for delivery, our destination, F.O.B. destination freight prepaid Jonesboro, Georgia, and/or Morrow, Georgia, unless otherwise shown. Any deliveries shall be made as needed and requested throughout the contract period.
- 22. Quantities when shown are estimates only, based on anticipated needs. The CCWA reserves the right to purchase more or less based on actual need at contract price. If a Bidder intends to offer minimum or maximum shipment quantities, such intent and such quantities should be specified on the bid Form. Otherwise, none will be assumed.
- 23. The time for completion of the work is stated in the bid Form. Failure to complete the work within this period shall result in payment to the CCWA of liquidated damages in an amount provided for by contract for each calendar day in excess of the Contract time.
- 24. The Bidder must employ such methods and means in carrying out the work as will not cause any interruption of or interference with any other Bidder.
- 25. The successful Bidder must comply with the applicable Risk Management Requirements prior to beginning performance, and during the contract period.

Bid Requirements

Section 1: Instructions to Bidders

- 26. The Contract between the CCWA and the Bidder shall be executed on a form provided by CCWA and will be subject to all requirements of the contract documents (which include but may not be limited to the Contract, these instructions, any Purchase Orders, and the Risk Management Requirements), and shall form a binding contract between the contracting parties.
- 27. Failure to execute the Contract, any required Surety Performance and Payment Bonds, or to furnish any required satisfactory proof of carriage of required insurance within ten (10) days from the date of notice of award of the Contract shall be just cause for the annulment of the award and for forfeiture of the bid guaranty to the CCWA, not as a penalty, but in liquidation of damages sustained. At the discretion of the CCWA, the award may then be made to the next lowest responsible vendor, or the work may be re-advertised or constructed by the CCWA.
- 28. Any Contract and Contract Bonds shall be executed in duplicate.
- 29. Award of this bid shall be by action of the CCWA Board at its regular monthly meeting.
- 30. The CCWA reserves the right, with or without notice or cause, to accept any bid regardless of the cost thereof; to reject any bid, or any number of bids; to negotiate with any Bidder for a reduction of or alterations in its bid; to reject all bids and to call for additional bids upon the same or different invitations to bid, plans or specifications; to be sole judge, in its discretion, on all questions as to whether or not a bid complies with the invitation to bid, the plans or the specifications, and as to the solvency and sufficiency of any and all sureties on all bonds.
- 31. The apparent low bid for goods shall be considered to be the lowest aggregate total price of specified products at their unit prices times the estimated required quantities of these specified products.
- 32. Bids received from two (2) or more vendors that are identical in price, delivery and meet the requirements of the bid specifications shall be awarded on the following basis:
 - a. The bid submitted by a vendor who does not have a documented negative vendor performance record.
 - b. The bid submitted by a vendor who is located within Clayton County.

Bid Requirements

Section 1: Instructions to Bidders

- c. The bid submitted by a vendor who is certified by our Small Local Business Enterprise Program.
- d. If the tie bids meet all the above criteria, and it is not in CCWA's best interest (at its sole discretion) to split the award, the bid award is based on the toss of a coin by CCWA staff in a public session. The vendors involved will be invited to attend the coin toss at a stated date and time. One or more witnesses from both CCWA Procurement and the Request Department may be present. A simple coin toss (called by the vendor listed first in the alphabet) will break the tie and decide the award.
- 33. While price is the prime criteria, and the CCWA intends to purchase at the lowest responsible bid available, price shall not be the sole criteria utilized by the CCWA in evaluating the bid package submitted. The following criteria shall also be utilized by the CCWA in determining the lowest responsible bid:
 - a. Ability of bidder to perform in the time frame needed by the CCWA.
 - b. Reputation of the bidder in its industry.
 - c. Reasonableness of the bid in relation to anticipated costs.
 - d. Ongoing relationships with the CCWA based on above-average prior performance of work with CCWA.
 - e. Preference for local vendors where there is no significant variance in price or service.
- 34. Bidders are notified that CCWA reserves the right except in the case of public works contracts to include among the factors considered in awarding the contract the proximity of each Bidder's place of business to any affected Authority facility. CCWA further reserves the right to award the contract to a Bidder other then the Bidder offering the lowest price where: (a) the difference in price between the low Bidder and the preferred Bidder is nominal: and (b) CCWA's Board determines that the preferred bid provides the most cost effective option due to the closer proximity of the preferred Bidder's place of business to the affected Authority facility or facilities. In such a situation, by responding to this bid, the Bidder waives any cause of action against CCWA for frustration of bid or under any similar legal theory; furthermore, the Bidder agrees to pay all costs and expenses, including but not limited to attorney fees, incurred by CCWA in defending against any such claim.

Section 1: Instructions to Bidders

- 35. It is the policy of the Clayton County Water Authority (CCWA) to promote award of sub-agreements for goods and/or services to qualified minority and women-owned businesses. Bidders are encouraged to solicit minority and women-owned businesses whenever they are potential sources.
- 36. Bidders are encouraged to utilize the services and assistance of the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA), and the office of the Department of Commerce Minority Business Development Agency (MBDA). These agencies can provide assistance in securing the names of qualified minority and women-owned businesses. Additionally, it is encouraged that bidders access certified Small Local Business Enterprise (SLBE) vendors from Clayton County, DeKalb County, and City of Atlanta.

The Georgia Department of Transportation (DOT) has established a list of qualified Disadvantaged Business Enterprises. Information is available online under the tab for "Directories", link for "UCP Directory - Excel" at: http://www.dot.ga.gov/PS/Business/DBE.

The successful Bidder will be asked to provide, along with his Request for Payment each month a list of qualified SLBE and MBE/WBE businesses utilized on this Project.

GEORGIA SECURITY AND IMMIGRATION COMPLIANCE ACT OF 2006

37. Pursuant to the Georgia Security and Immigration Compliance Act of 2006, the successful Bidder understands and agrees that compliance with the requirements of O.C.G.A.13-10-91 and Georgia Department of Labor Rule 300-10-02 are conditions of this bid and contract document. The Bidder further agrees that such compliance shall be attested by the Bidder and any of his Subcontractors by execution of the appropriate Affidavit and Agreement included after the Agreement Form of these documents.

END OF SECTION

Section 3: Bid Submittal Requirements

3.1 Required Bid Submittals:

The following items are required to be included as part of the bid submittal. Failure to include any of these items may result in the bid being deemed non-responsive.

For your convenience, a check box is provided next to the required items, which include but are not limited to:

- A. Bid Form Bidders must submit their completed and signed Bid Form. B. Bidder Qualification Information Form, including References. C. CCWA SLBE Certificate and/or required SLBE Forms (as applicable). An indication of "N/A" for "not applicable" must be noted as appropriate. D. Non-Collusion Certificate. Ε. Certification of Absence of Conflict of Interest F. Vendor Information Form. Company name must match the W-9 Form. W-9 Form. Company name must match the Vendor Information Form G. and must be registered with the Georgia Secretary of State. Any other items as required in this RFB including but not limited to the H. items contained in the Instructions to Bidders, Bid Form and Specifications sections.
 - I. All addenda issued.

END OF SECTION

Division 2 Section 4: Bid Form

Bid of

(Hereinafter "Bidder"), organized and existing under the laws of the State of ______, doing business as ______(insert "a corporation," "a partnership," or "an individual" or such other business entity designation as is applicable).

To the Clayton County Water Authority (hereinafter "Owner").

In compliance with the Request for Bids, Bidder hereby proposes to provide <u>5660' of 2"</u> <u>Copper Tubing for Lake Spivey Project</u> in strict accordance with the bid documents as enumerated in the Request for Bids, within the time set forth therein, and at the prices stated below.

By submission of this bid, Bidder certifies, and in the case of joint bid each party thereto certifies as to the party's own organization that this bid has been arrived at independently, without consultation, communication, or agreement as to any matter relating to this bid with any other Bidder or with any competitor. Bidder also certifies compliance with the Instructions to Bidders.

In submitting this bid, bidder certifies that he/she is qualified to do business in the State of Georgia as required by laws, rules, and regulations or, if allowed by statute, covenants to obtain such qualification prior to bid award. If your company is a corporation, it must be registered with the Georgia Secretary of State.

All things being equal, orders will be placed by purchase order with the bidder offering the lowest unit price on a per item basis. Orders will be placed on an "as needed, when needed" basis. CCWA does not guarantee any minimum or maximum quantities under this bid.

Bidder accepts the terms and conditions of the Documents.

ADDENDA:

Bidder acknowledges receipt of the following Addenda:

Division 2 Section 4: Bid Form

Bid Requirements

BID FORM

The undersigned proposes to supply, in all respects, sound and conformable with this bid document the goods for the amounts as shown on this Bid Form.

5660' of 2" Copper Tubing: PRICE F.O.B. Destination Morrow, GA: (Including discounts):

\$				

 O_{NO}

CCWA is exempt from Federal Excise Tax and Georgia Sales Tax.

Submitted by:

COMPANY NAME OF E	BIDDER:
-------------------	---------

Is the Bidder a CCWA certified SLBE?

O YES

Section 4: Bid Form

Bid Requirements

Sul	bm	itted	by:

(COMPANY NAME OF BIDDER)

By: (OFFICER NAME)

(SIGNATURE)

(TITLE)

(DATE)

PHONE NUMBER:

EMAIL ADDRESS:

LICENSE NUMBER (If applicable):

DATE:

Division 2		Bid Requirements	<u>s</u>
Section 6: Bidde	r Qualification Informat	tion	
COMPANY NAMI	E OF BIDDER:		
NUMBER OF YE	ARS IN BUSINESS		
BUSINESS ADD	RESS OF COMPANY:		
	_		
	_		
TELEPHONE NU	MBER:		
POINT OF CONT	ACT NAME:		
POINT OF CONT ADDRESS:	ACT EMAIL		
COMPANY TAX	ID NUMBER:		
COMPANY WEB	SITE:		
ENTITY TYPE:	 Individual/Sole Prop Privately Held Corp Publicly Owned Cord Other (specify):	poration/LLC Partnership	
NAME OF PRINC	CIPAL OFFICERS:		
	-		
	-		
	-		

ADDRESS:

PHONE NUMBER:

November 2023

Bid Requirements

Section 6: Bidder Qualification Information

REFERENCES

LIST AT LEAST 3 REFERENCES OF SIMILAR CONTRACTS COMPLETED IN THE PAST 5 YEARS:

COMPANY/GOV'T ENTITY NAME: CONTACT NAME: ADDRESS: PHONE NUMBER:	
COMPANY/GOV'T ENTITY NAME: CONTACT NAME: ADDRESS: PHONE NUMBER:	
COMPANY/GOV'T ENTITY NAME: CONTACT NAME:	

Section 8 – Small Local Business Enterprises (SLBE) – General Information

8.1 **Program Overview**

Clayton County Water Authority (CCWA) implemented a Small Local Business Enterprise (SLBE) Program to promote full and open competition in all government procurement and purchasing.

The SLBE program provides an additional race-and gender-neutral tool for CCWA to use in its efforts to ensure that all segments of its local business community have a reasonable and significant opportunity to participate in CCWA Solicitations.

SLBEs must perform a commercially useful function, which means performance of provision of real and actual services under the contract or subcontract with CCWA. Factors such as the nature and amount of the work subcontracted; whether the SLBE has the skill and expertise to perform the work for which it has been certified; whether the SLBE actually performs, manages or supervises the work; and whether the SLBE intends to purchase commodities and/or services from a non-SLBE and simply resell them will be considered in determining if the SLBE is performing a commercially useful function.

SLBE in CCWA refers to a locally based small business which meets the following criteria:

- Independently owned and operated business concern whose average annual gross receipts for the previous three years must not exceed: (1) Construction Firms \$18,250,000; (2) Professional Services Firms \$5,500,000; (3) Architectural Firms \$3,750,000; (4) Engineering Firms \$7,500,000, and (5) Goods and Services less than 250 employees.
- Locally based, meaning located and operating in Clayton County or the ten (10) counties of Cherokee, Cobb, DeKalb, Douglas, Fayette, Fulton, Gwinnett, Henry, Rockdale, and Spalding for at least one year.
- Note: Complete CCWA SLBE Certification Requirements are listed on the Provisional and General Certification Applications; https://www.ccwa.us. To be considered a CCWA SLBE Certified Firm, the vendor shall complete the Certification Process by the solicitation submission deadline.

To encourage participation in contracting regardless of company size, CCWA provides bidders with Solicitation Incentives to ensure that small businesses maintain a competitive advantage in CCWA's solicitation process. CCWA's three

Section 8 – Small Local Business Enterprises (SLBE) – General Information

Solicitation SLBE Incentives: Bid Discounts, Preference Points, and SLBE Goal utilization are determined on a solicitation-by-solicitation basis.

8.2 SLBE Incentive Type

The purpose of this section is to communicate the use of an SLBE Incentive (Bid Discount or Preference Points) for Prime Contractors in the solicitation and provide instructions or requirements of the intended SLBE Incentive.

This solicitation offers the following SLBE Incentive: (Refer to check marked section.)

Bid Discount

Bid discounts are incentives that allow an original bid amount to be discounted for evaluation purposes in determining the lowest responsive, responsible bidder, while the original bid amount will be the basis for contract award.

The calculation of SLBE tiered bid discounts shall be as follows:

- ➢ 10% for SLBE's in Clayton County.
- 7.5% for SLBE's within the 10 counties: Cherokee, Cobb, DeKalb, Douglas, Fayette, Fulton, Gwinnett, Henry, Rockdale and Spalding.

Example: A \$100,000 bid with a 7.5% bid discount would be evaluated at \$92,500. *However,* \$100,000 would be paid to the successful bidder.

□ <u>Preference Points</u>

RFP Preference Points are point incentives that are awarded on a basis that includes factors other than the lowest price and wherein responses that are submitted by CCWA SLBE Certified Firms are awarded additional points in the evaluation process in the scoring and ranking of proposals. The awarded points are disbursed for CCWA SLBE Certified Firms proposing as a Prime Contractor and located in Clayton County or the ten (10) counties outlined in Section 8.1. RFP Preference points will be added to the total score for evaluation purposes in determining the highest ranked responsible, responsive proposer.

The calculation of tiered RFP Preference Points in this solicitation for CCWA SLBE Certified Firms will be based on the following criteria:

> 10 Points for CCWA SLBE Firms in Clayton County.

Section 8 – Small Local Business Enterprises (SLBE) – General Information

7.5 Points for CCWA SLBE Firms within the 10 counties: Cherokee, Cobb, DeKalb, Douglas, Fayette, Fulton, Gwinnett, Henry, Rockdale, and Spalding.

<u>Example:</u>	
General proposal requirements	(POSSIBLE TOTAL 50 POINTS)
Technical requirements	(POSSIBLE TOTAL 50 POINTS)
SBLE Preference Points	(POSSIBLE TOTAL 10 POINTS)
SLBE Proposal	NON-SLBE Proposal
General Requirements 40	General Requirements 40
General Requirements	General Requirements
	•

8.3 SLBE Conclusion

Example

A bidder does not have to be a CCWA SLBE Certified Firm to participate in a solicitation where Bid Discounts or Preference Points Incentives are offered.

The use of Certified CCWA SLBE Firms as subcontractors will not establish eligibility to receive Bid Discounts or Preference Points. In the event of a tie between a CCWA SLBE Certified Firm and a non-CCWA SLBE Certified firm, the CCWA SLBE Certified Firm will be recommended for the contract.

By signing the solicitation, the bidder is certifying that he/she has complied with the requirements of this program. Contact the Small Business Procurement Coordinator at <u>ccwa slbe program@ccwa.us</u> for more information on becoming certified.

8.4 Solicitation SLBE Required Form(s)

For CCWA SLBE Certified Firms claiming a Bid Discount or Preference Points, a copy of their valid CCWA SLBE Certification Letter must be provided with their solicitation response.

Bid Requirements

Section 4: Non-Collusion Certificate

STATE OF_____, COUNTY OF_____

Personally appeared before the undersigned officer duly authorized by law to administer oaths

who, after being first duly sworn, depose and say that they are all the officers, agents, persons or employees who have acted for or represented ______

______ in procuring the Contract with the Clayton County Water Authority on the following Project: <u>5660' of 2"</u> <u>Copper Tubing for Lake Spivey Project,</u> and that said ______

has not by (himself, themselves) or through any persons, officers, agents or employees prevented or attempted to prevent by any means whatsoever competition in such bidding; or by any means whatsoever prevented or endeavored to prevent anyone from making a proposal therefore, or induced or attempted to induce another to withdraw a bid for said work.

ATTEST:	By: Bidder	
By: Name	By: Name	
Title:	Title:	
Sworn to and subscribed before me this	day of	20
Notary Public:	My Commission expires:	

Contract Forms

Section 5: Certification of Absence of Conflict of Interest.

CERTIFICATION OF ABSENCE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

(O.C.G.A. § 36-80-28)

The undersigned Contractor, who is entering into a contract or arrangement with the Clayton County Water Authority (CCWA), by signing below acknowledges and certifies to follow the requirements below:

- (1) Contractor shall avoid any appearance of impropriety and shall follow all of CCWA's policies and procedures related to the project.
- (2) Contractor discloses below any material transaction or relationship currently known to Contractor that reasonably could be expected to give rise to a conflict of interest, including, but not limited to, that of the Contractor, Contractor's employees, agents or subsidiaries. (Include past, present, or known prospective engagements, involvement in litigation or other dispute, client relationships, or other business or financial interest):

(3) Contractor shall immediately disclose any material transaction or relationship subsequently discovered during the pendency of the contract or arrangement.

(4) Contractor acknowledges that any violation or threatened violation of the agreement may cause irreparable injury to CCWA entitling CCWA to seek injunctive relief in addition to all other legal remedies.

NAME OF CONTRACTOR

Name of Contractor's Authorized Official

Signature of Contractor's Authorized Official

DATE

Specifications

Section 1: General Requirements

4.1 General Requirements:

A. Description

The pipe type should be "M" (hard) copper material; size is 2 inch x 20 feet, and the requested total quantity is 5,660 ft. Pipe should be available for delivery by **February 1, 2024**. The pipe should be delivered to CCWA's Warehouse located at 7340 Southlake Parkway, Morrow, GA 30260.

- B. References
 - 1. American Water Works Association (AWWA), C800
 - 2. American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM), B88 Standard Specification for Seamless Copper Water Tube.
 - 3. National Sanitation Foundation (NSF), 61

It is understood on the above references and any other applicable standards, that the latest revisions thereof shall apply.

- C. All materials shall be new and domestically manufactured.
- D. The following information shall be stamped on each pipe:
 - 1. Class identifier.
 - 2. ASTM designation.
 - 3. Manufacturer's identifying mark.
- E. The material must be guaranteed to be free of defects in construction, materials, and workmanship for a period of twelve months from the date of purchase. Any part or portion found not in accordance with these specifications will be rejected and returned to the vendor at the vendor's expense for its immediate replacement.
- F. All unit prices are to be calculated F.O.B. destination delivered to the CCWA delivery point. No freight will be paid for by CCWA.
- G. CCWA is exempt from Federal Excise Tax and Georgia Sales Tax. Vendors and contractors are responsible for sales tax and should contact the State of Georgia sales tax division for additional information.

Specifications

Section 1: General Requirements

- H. Any problem with the Bidder's manufacturer will make the Bidder responsible for obtaining the goods from another company and delivering to CCWA as requested.
- I. Failure of vendor to provide all information as requested on the Bid Form (i.e., manufacturer name, manufacturer number, o.d. range and delivery) may result in rejection of bid.

4.2 Acceptable Manufacturers

- A. Mueller Industries
- B. Cerro Flow Products
- C. Wieland Copper Products
- D. Or equal

Brand names are not for restrictive purposes but to establish an acceptable level of quality.

4.3 Delivery Requirements

Point of delivery must be by vendor owned equipment or commercial carrier trucks and must be routed to "Clayton County Water Authority, 7340 Southlake Parkway, Morrow, GA 30260".

Deliveries under this contract may be made by:

- a) Commercial carrier, or
- b) Vendor owned equipment.

Either method must require all risk management requirements are met by the proper party(ies) (i.e., any party handling the shipment) prior to shipment.

Purchase Order Terms and Conditions

THE CONTRACT: The documents ("Contract Documents") that form the contract (the "Contract") between the Clayton County Water Authority ("Buyer") and Seller are the Buyer's purchase order (the "PO") issued to Seller, all documents referenced in the PO (including without limitation drawings, specifications, instructions, quality assurance requirements and any other referenced documents), all drawings, specifications and other documents referenced in the Buyer's request for quotation issued to Seller for the Contract (unless and to the extent such documents are excluded from the Contract by express provisions in, and not by mere omission from, the PO), supplements to the PO issued to Seller by Buyer, these Terms and Conditions, and all documents referenced in any Contract Documents. What is required in any one Contract Document shall be deemed required by all Contract Documents and the Contract. Where there is any conflict or inconsistency between the provisions in one or more of the Contract Documents, the provision entitled ORDER OF PRECEDENCE shall be controlling, unless otherwise agreed in a writing signed by the representative (or his/her successor) of Buyer who signed the PO.

ACCEPTANCE: The acceptance by Seller of the terms of the Contract shall be deemed conclusively to have occurred upon Seller's acknowledgment of the PO, shipment of any goods, performance of any services, or commencement of any work on supplies or goods covered by the Contract. Any acceptance by Seller on purported terms and conditions ("purported terms") that differ in any way from the provisions of the Contract shall bind Seller to the terms and conditions of the Contract, and such purported terms shall not become part of, or in any way alter, amend or otherwise modify any of the provisions of, the Contract. Any shipment of goods, performance of services, or commencement of work on supplies by Seller shall be deemed to be only upon the terms and conditions contained in the Contract, except to the extent that Buyer may otherwise expressly consent to such altered terms in a writing signed by the representative (or his/her successor) of Buyer who signed the PO. Seller agrees that Buyer's acceptance or payment for any shipment of goods or similar act of Buyer shall not be claimed or construed to constitute such consent.

DELIVERY: (a) Delivery must be in strict compliance with the schedule contained in the Contract and shall be made by Seller at such times and places and of such items and quantities as may from time to time be specified by Buyer. If Seller fails to meet its scheduled delivery dates and Buyer elects to call for expedited shipments, Seller will pay the difference between the method of shipping specified and the actual expedited rate incurred. Seller shall be responsible for any additional charges resulting from deviation from Buyer's routing instructions. If Seller fails to make delivery promptly and regularly, as required under the Contract, Buyer may, in addition to other remedies available at law, terminate the Contract by giving written notice to Seller. Title and risk of loss shall remain with Seller until goods are delivered to the F.O.B. destination point specified in the Contract. Notwithstanding such delivery, Seller shall bear risk of loss or damage to goods purchased hereunder from the time that Buyer gives notice of rejection of goods pursuant to the inspection provisions of this Contract. If Seller encounters or anticipates difficulty in meeting the delivery schedule, Seller shall immediately notify Buyer in writing, giving pertinent details; provided, however, that such data shall be informational only in character and shall not be construed as a waiver by Buyer of any delivery schedule or date or of any rights or remedies of Buyer provided by law or the Contract. Parts fabricated in excess or in advance of Buyer's request are at Seller's risk. Buyer reserves the right, without loss of discount privileges, to pay invoices covering items shipped in advance of the schedule on the normal maturity after the date specified for delivery.

(b) Packaging and packing of items to be delivered by Seller under the Contract shall be shipped in a manner to: ensure safe arrival at their destination, provide the lowest transportation cost, conform with the requirements of common carriers and, in any event, comply with Buyer's minimum specifications.

INSPECTION: Buyer shall have the right to inspect the goods and/or services supplied hereunder at any time during the manufacture or fabrication thereof at Seller's facilities or elsewhere. The items subject to such inspection may include, without limitation, raw materials, components, work in process, and completed products as well as drawings, specifications, and released data. Final inspection and acceptance shall be after delivery to the delivery point designated by Buyer. If any inspection or test is made by Buyer at Seller's facility or elsewhere, Seller shall provide reasonable facilities and assistance to the inspection personnel. Buyer may reject all goods supplied hereunder which are found to be defective. Goods so rejected may be returned to Seller at Seller's expense. No inspection, examination or test, regardless of extensiveness or type, and no approval given in connection with any such inspection, examination or test, whether under the Contract or another contract for the same or similar goods and/or services, shall relieve Seller, or be claimed by Seller to relieve it, of any obligation to comply fully with all requirements of the Contract, including the obligation to produce goods and/or services that conform to all requirements of the drawings, specifications and other Contract Documents. At Buyer's request, Seller shall repair or replace defective goods and/or services at Seller's expense. Failure to inspect goods and/or services, failure to discover defects in goods and/or services or payment for goods and/or services shall not constitute acceptance of such defective goods and/or services or limit any of Buyer's rights, including without limitation those under the warranty provisions of the Contract. In the event inspection reveals a defect or defects and schedule urgency requires that the defect or defects be corrected by Buyer to support production, all costs of such correction, including without limitation installation and removal, will be charged to Seller; such charges will also include time and material and appropriate indirect and overhead expenses. Seller shall maintain an inspection system acceptable to Buyer covering the goods and/or services furnished hereunder.

OVERSHIPMENT: Goods shall not be supplied in excess of quantities and shipping tolerances, if any, specified in the Contract. Seller shall be liable for handling charges and return shipment costs for any excess quantities, and unless Seller agrees to pay for such costs, the over shipped material will be retained by Buyer at no cost.

PRICES: Unless otherwise specified, prices are F.O.B. destination to the location designated by Buyer and shown on the face of the PO and are exclusive of state sales and use taxes. No charge will be allowed for packing, crating, drayage, or storage. Seller warrants that the prices charged for the goods and/or services are not higher than those charged to any other customer for goods and/or services of like grade and quality in similar or lesser quantities.

PAYMENT: Seller shall be paid upon submission of properly prepared invoices in accordance with Buyer's invoicing instructions for materials and supplies delivered to and accepted by Buyer. Any adjustments in Seller's invoice due to shortages, rejection or other failure to comply with the provisions of this Contract, or under any other order or contract between Buyer and Seller, may be made by Buyer before payment. Discount periods shall commence ten (10) days after the latest of scheduled delivery, actual delivery, or receipt of invoice. No charges will be honored unless specified on the face of the PO. Invoices must be accompanied by transportation receipt, if transportation is payable as a separate item.

WARRANTY: Seller warrants that goods ordered to specifications will conform thereto and to any drawings, samples, or other description furnished or adopted by Buyer, and will be fit and sufficient for the purpose intended; and that all goods are merchantable, of good material and workmanship, and free from all defects, including defects in design, materials and workmanship. Regarding any services provided under this Contract, Seller warrants: 1) that Seller is qualified to perform all services required of the Seller by this Contract; 2) that Seller possesses all licenses required of all public entities having jurisdiction over the Seller and the Buyer to perform such services; and 3) that Seller's workmanship will conform to all specifications and will perform as specified. Such warranties, together with Seller's other service warranties and guarantees, if any, shall survive inspection, test, acceptance of, and payment for the goods and/or services and shall run to Buyer, its successors, assigns, customers at any tier, and ultimate user and joint users. Notices of any defects or nonconformity shall be given by the Buyer to the Seller within fifteen (15) months after acceptance by ultimate user; provided however that in the event the goods are designed by Seller, notice must be given within three (3) years after acceptance by ultimate user. The rights and remedies of the Buyer concerning latent defects shall exist indefinitely and shall not be affected in any way by any terms and conditions of this Contract, including this clause. Buyer may, at its option, and in addition to other remedies available at law, either (i) return defective or nonconforming goods for credit, (ii) require prompt correction or replacement of the defective or nonconforming goods and/or services, or (iii) have the defective items corrected or replaced at Seller's expense and deduct the cost thereof from any monies due Seller. The return to Seller of any defective or nonconforming goods and delivery to Buyer of any corrected or replaced goods and/or services shall be at Seller's expense. Goods and/or services required to be corrected or replaced shall be subject to the provision of this paragraph and the paragraph of this Contract Document entitled "inspection" in the same manner and to the same extent as goods and/or services originally delivered under this Contract. In addition to correcting or replacing any defective or nonconforming goods and/or services, Seller shall also reimburse Buyer for all costs and expenses incurred by Buyer in connection with inspection and discovery of the defects, identifying and correcting the cause of such defects and all other activities reasonably undertaken by Buyer to obtain conforming goods and/or services or attempting to obtain from the ultimate user a waiver to permit the defective goods and/or services to be used with all or part of the defective conditions.

BUYER'S ASSISTANCE AND COOPERATION: During Seller's performance of this Contract, Buyer may, at Buyer's option and without obligation, provide assistance to, or cooperate with, Seller in activities that facilitate the proper performance and completion of this Contract by Seller. Such assistance and cooperation may include without limitation: (i) providing engineering or other analysis or advice on correcting manufacturing deficiencies or other problems; (ii) acquiescing in a change of manufacturing facilities or location; (iii) refraining from strict enforcement of time schedule requirements under the Contract; (iv) permitting use of test materials or documentation not performed or produced under this Contract. Such assistance or cooperation by Buyer shall not be construed, and Seller agrees that it will not claim that any such assistance or cooperation operates, to relieve Seller from complete, proper and punctual performance of all of Seller's obligations under this Contract.

COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS AND REGULATIONS: Seller warrants that in the performance of this order Seller will comply with all applicable statutes, rules, regulations and orders of the United States, and of any State or political subdivision thereof, and agrees to indemnify Buyer against any loss, cost, damage or liability, by reason of Seller's violation of this warranty.

CHANGES: Buyer may at any time, by a written notice, and without notice to sureties or assignees, make changes within the general scope of this Contract (each a "Change Order"). If any Change Order causes an increase or decrease in the cost of, or the time required for, the performance of any part of the work under this Contract, whether changed or not changed by any such order, or affects any such order, or affects any other provisions of this Contract, an equitable adjustment shall be made in the price or delivery schedule, or both, and in such other provisions of this Contract as may be affected, and this Contract shall be modified in writing accordingly. Any claim by Seller for adjustment under this paragraph shall be asserted in writing within twenty (20) days from the date of receipt of the Change Order. Where the cost of property made obsolete or excess as a result of a Change Order is included in the equitable adjustment, Buyer shall have the right to prescribe the manner of disposition of such property. The amount of any price increase from a Change Order shall be based on the actual reasonable cost to perform the change. The amount of any price decrease from a Change Order shall be based on the reduction in the Seller's cost that reasonably should have occurred as a result of the Change Order. Seller shall maintain complete and accurate accounting records properly documenting the foregoing cost, and such records shall be produced for examination and copying by Buyer within ten (10) days of a request by Buyer. Failure to agree to any adjustment shall be a dispute within the meaning of the "Disputes" paragraph of this Contract Document. However, nothing in this paragraph shall excuse the Seller from proceeding with the Contract as changed. Any action taken by Seller which affects any provision of this Contract, including delivery and price, whether or not accomplished with the concurrence of Buyer's employees, shall not entitle Seller to an equitable adjustment in accordance with this paragraph, unless such action has been specifically directed by written notice issued by Buyer.

STOP WORK ORDER: Buyer may at any time, by written notice to Seller, require Seller to stop all or any part of the work called for by this Contract for a period of up to ninety (90) days after the notice is delivered to Seller ("Stop Work Order"). Upon receipt of the Stop Work Order, Seller shall forthwith comply with its terms and take all reasonable steps to minimize the incurrence of costs allocable to the work covered by the order during the period of work stoppage. Within a period of ninety (90) days after a Stop Work Order is delivered to Seller, or within any extension of that period to which the parties shall have agreed, Buyer shall either cancel the Stop Work Order, or terminate the work covered by this Contract as provided in the "Termination for Default" or the "Termination for Convenience" paragraphs of this Contract Document, whichever may be appropriate. Seller shall be made in the delivery schedule or price hereunder, or both, and this Contract shall be modified in writing accordingly, if the Stop Work Order results in an increase in the time required for the performance of this order or in Seller's costs properly allocable thereto. The amount of any adjustment in the Contract price shall be determined as provided in the "Changes" paragraph of this Contract Document.

TERMINATION FOR DEFAULT:

(a) Buyer may, subject to the provisions of subparagraph (c) below, by written notice of default to Seller, terminate the whole or any part of this Contract under any of the following circumstances: (i) if Seller fails to make delivery of the goods and/or services or to perform this Contract within the time specified herein or any extension thereof; or (ii) if Seller fails to perform any of the other provisions of this Contract, or so fails to make progress as to endanger performance of this Contract in accordance with its terms, and does not cure such failure within a period of ten (10) days (or longer period as may be authorized by Buyer in writing) after receipt of notice from Buyer specifying such failure.

(b) In the event Buyer terminates this Contract in whole or in part as provided in subparagraph (a) above, Buyer may procure, upon such terms and in such manner as Buyer may deem appropriate, supplies or services similar to those so terminated, and Seller shall be liable to Buyer for any excess costs for the same, including without limitation all costs and expenses of the type specified in the "WARRANTY" paragraph of this Contract Document; provided, that Seller shall continue the performance of this Contract to the extent not terminated hereunder.

(c) Except with respect to defaults of subcontractors, Seller shall not be liable for any excess costs if the failure to perform this Contract arises out of causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of Seller. Such causes may include, but are not limited to, acts of God, or of the public enemy, acts of the Government in either its sovereign or contractual capacity, fires, flood, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, strikes, freight embargoes, and unusually severe weather, but in every case the failure to perform must be beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of Seller.

If the failure to perform is caused by the default of a subcontractor, and if such default arises out of causes beyond the control of both Seller and the subcontractor, and without the fault or negligence of either of them, Seller shall not be liable for any excess costs for failure to perform, unless the supplies or services to be furnished by the subcontractor were obtainable from other sources in sufficient time to permit Seller to meet the

required delivery schedule. The term(s) "subcontractor(s)" shall mean subcontractor(s) at any tier.

(d) If this Contract is terminated as provided in subparagraph (a) above, Buyer, in addition to any other rights provided in this Contract, may require Seller to transfer title and deliver to Buyer in the manner and to the extent directed by Buyer, (i) any completed goods, and (ii) such partially completed goods and materials, parts, tools, dies, jigs, fixtures, plans, drawings, information, and contract rights (hereinafter called "manufacturing materials") as Seller has specifically produced or specifically acquired for the performance of such part of this Contract as has been terminated; and Seller shall, upon direction of Buyer, protect and preserve property in the possession of Seller in which Buyer has an interest. Payment for completed goods and/or services delivered to and accepted by Buyer shall be at the Contract price. Payment for manufacturing materials delivered to and accepted by Buyer and for the protection and preservation of property shall be in an amount agreed upon by Buyer and Seller; failure to agree to such amount shall be a dispute concerning a question of fact within the meaning of the paragraph of the terms and conditions of this purchase order entitled "Disputes." Buyer may withhold from amounts otherwise due Seller for such completed supplies or manufacturing materials such sum as Buyer determines to be necessary to protect Buyer or the Government against loss because of outstanding liens or claims of former lien holders or for damages otherwise caused by Seller's failure to perform its obligations under the Contract.

(e) If, after notice of termination of this Contract under the provisions of this paragraph, it is determined for any reason that Seller was not in default under the provisions above, or that the default was excusable under the provisions of this paragraph, the rights and obligations of the parties shall be the same as if the notice of termination had been issued pursuant to the "Termination for Convenience" paragraph of this Contract Document.

(f) The rights and remedies of Buyer provided in this paragraph shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Contract.

TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE: Buyer may at any time by written notice terminate all or any part of this Contract for Buyer's convenience. If this Contract is terminated, in whole or in part, for Buyer's convenience, Seller shall be paid an amount, to be mutually agreed upon, which shall be adequate to cover the actual reasonable cost paid by Seller for the actual labor and material

reasonably used by Seller to perform the work under this Contract up to the effective date of termination, plus a reasonable profit thereon; provided that no amount shall be paid to Seller for (i) any anticipatory profits related to work under this Contract not yet performed, or (ii) costs incurred due to Seller's failure to terminate work as ordered on the effective date of termination. In no event shall the total amount paid under the provisions of this paragraph exceed the prices set forth in this Contract for the work terminated. If a Government contract number is cited on the face of the PO, a termination for Buyer's convenience shall be accomplished in accordance with the terms FAR 52.249, as in effect on the date of this Contract, which shall be controlling over any conflicting provisions hereof.

INDEMNIFICATION: If this Contract is issued under a Government prime contract or subcontract, Seller shall indemnify Buyer against and hold Buyer harmless from all claims, expenses, and losses, arising out of performance of this Contract by Seller: (i) when such claims, expenses, and losses result from the failure of Seller to furnish to Buyer, in accordance with the provisions of the relevant regulations, cost or pricing data, which is accurate, complete and current at the time of Seller's and Buyer's agreement to the negotiated price or at the time when Buyer requests a reaffirmation of the same, and (ii) when such claims, expenses and losses result from Seller's failure to comply with the rules and regulations in connection with covered contracts.

DATA: All drawings and specifications, furnished or paid for by Buyer shall be the property of Buyer, shall be subject to removal at any time without additional cost upon demand by Buyer, shall be used only in filling orders from Buyer, and shall be kept separate from other drawings and specifications, and identified as the property of Buyer. The information contained in reports, drawings, documents or other records which are furnished to Seller by Buyer relative to this Contract, to the extent that such information is not in the public domain, shall be deemed confidential and shall not be disclosed to others, except to subcontractors as necessary for completion of this Contract, in which event the subcontractor shall have the same obligation of nondisclosure. Upon completion, termination, or cancellation of this Contract, Seller shall return all drawings and specifications to Buyer, in the event Buyer requests return of any such items, within thirty (30) days after the effective date of completion, termination, or cancellation. Any such data of Buyer retained by Seller shall be deemed confidential and shall remain subject to the foregoing restrictions on use, reproduction and disclosure. Upon termination of this Contract, either for default or convenience, Buyer may, at Buyer's option, use, on a non- exclusive basis, all drawings, documents or other records related to this Contract, whether created by Buyer or Seller, without further compensation to Seller. Seller may not disclose the existence of this Contract or the items to be supplied hereunder without Buyer's written consent, except to subcontractors who shall have the same responsibility.

WORK ON BUYER'S DESIGNATED PREMISES: In the event that Seller, Seller's employees or agents or Seller's subcontractors enter Buyer's designated premises for any reason in connection with this Contract, Seller and such other parties shall observe all security requirements and all plant safety, plant protection, and traffic regulations. Seller shall defend, indemnify, and hold Buyer harmless from all claims, actions, demands, loss, and causes of action, arising from injury, including death, to any person, or damage to any property, when such injury or damage results in whole or in part from the acts or omissions of Seller, Seller's employees or agents, save and except damage caused by the sole negligence of Buyer. Seller, and any subcontractor used by Seller in connection with this Contract, shall carry Workmen's Compensation and Employees' Liability Insurance to

cover Seller's and subcontractor's legal liability on account of accidents to their employees. Seller and the subcontractor shall carry adequate Comprehensive General Liability and adequate Comprehensive Automobile Liability Insurance covering accidents to their employees. Seller and the subcontractor shall carry adequate Comprehensive General Liability and adequate Comprehensive Automobile Liability Insurance covering legal liability of Seller and the subcontractor on account of accidents arising out of the operations of Seller or the subcontractor and resulting in bodily injury, including death, being sustained by any person or persons, or in any damage to property. At Buyer's request, Seller shall furnish to Buyer certificates from Seller's insurers showing such coverage in effect and agreeing to give Buyer ten (10) days' prior written notice of cancellation of the coverage.

ASSIGNMENT AND SUBCONTRACTING: Seller shall not assign this Contract or any portion of this Contract, nor shall Seller subcontract for completed or substantially completed goods or services purchased hereunder without the prior express written consent of Buyer. No assignment or subcontract by Seller, including any assignment or subcontract to which Buyer consents, shall in any way relieve Seller from complete and punctual performance of this Contract, including without limitation all of Seller's obligations under the warranty provisions of this Contract.

INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR: Buyer and Seller agree that no provision of this Contract is intended to be, nor should they be construed in any way to create or establish any association, partnership, joint venture, or relationship of principal and agent or master and servant or employer and employee between the parties hereto or any affiliates, subcontractors, or subsidiaries thereof, or to provide either party with the right, power or authority, whether express or implied, to create any such duty or obligation on behalf of the other party.

NOTICES: All notices required or permitted to be given hereunder shall be deemed to be properly given if delivered in writing personally or sent by United States certified or registered mail addressed to Seller or Buyer, as the case may be, at the addresses set forth on the face of the PO, with postage thereon fully prepaid. The effective time of notice shall be at the time of mailing.

INTERPRETATION: Each party recognizes that this Contract is a legally binding contract and acknowledges that both parties have had the opportunity to consult with legal counsel of choice. In any construction of the terms of this Contract, the same shall not be construed against either party on the basis of that party being the drafter of such terms.

COUNTERPARTS AND ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES: This Contract may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which will be deemed to be an original, but all of which together will constitute one and the same instrument. An executed signature page delivered via facsimile transmission or electronic signature shall be deemed as effective as an original executed signature page.

CALCULATION OF TIME PERIOD: Unless otherwise provided herein, whenever this Contract calls for or contemplates a period of time for the performance of any term, provision, or condition of this Contract, all of the days in such period of time shall be calculated consecutively without regard to whether any of the days falling in such period of time shall be a Saturday, Sunday, or other nonbusiness day; provided, however, if the last day of any period of time shall happen to fall on a Saturday or Sunday or legal holiday observed by the State of Georgia, the last day shall be extended to the next succeeding business day immediately thereafter occurring. **WAIVER:** No waiver by Buyer of any breach of this Contract or the granting of an extension for performance hereunder shall be deemed to be a waiver of any other or subsequent breach. Seller agrees that it will not claim that Buyer has waived any of Seller's performance requirements under this Contract, and no such waiver shall be effective to relieve Seller from complete and punctual performance of such requirements, unless such waiver is expressly stated in writing and signed by Buyer's representative (or his/her successor) who signed the PO.

DISPUTES: Pending resolution of any dispute hereunder, Seller shall proceed diligently with the performance of work, including the delivery of goods and/or services in accordance with Buyer's direction.

ORDER OF PRECEDENCE: This Contract constitutes the entire, fully integrated agreement of the parties as to the subject matter hereof. In the event of any inconsistency among the foregoing, the inconsistency shall be resolved by giving precedence to the following documents in the following order: (i) the purchase order to which these terms and conditions are attached; (ii) these terms and conditions; (iii) the drawings; (iv) the specifications; and (v) the other documents incorporated by reference.

APPLICABLE LAW: The validity, performance and construction of this Contract shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Georgia, excluding its choice of law rules. Jurisdiction and venue for any suit between the parties hereto arising out of or connected with this Contract, or the goods furnished hereunder shall lie only in Clayton County, Georgia.

CONFIGURATION CONTROL: Seller shall make no change in design, manufacturing, or assembly processes or source of supply, after approval of the first production test item or after acceptance of the first completed end item, without the written approval of the Buyer. Seller agrees that any approval by Buyer of the first production test item or any acceptance by Buyer of the first completed end item shall not in any way relieve Seller from performing all requirements of this Contract, including Seller's obligations under the provisions of the "WARRANTY" paragraph of this Contract Document.

Vendor Information Form



VENDOR INFORMATION FORM

Purpose of this Form: The *Vendor Information Form* is used by the Clayton County Water Authority (CCWA) to add Vendors/Suppliers to its financial database system and add business designations when applicable. <u>Important Note:</u> What name will appear on the Invoice? Invoice name shall be reflected on the *Vendor Information Form*

and match the W-9 Form.

PURCHASING DATA					
<u>NIGP CODE(s)</u> :		CCWA REQUESTING DEPARTMENT CONTACT:			
	VENDOR INF	ORMATION			
VENDOR NAME:					
PRINCIPAL CONTACT:		EMAIL ADDRESS:	PHONE NO.		
MAILING ADD	RESS	REMIT TO AL	DRESS		
Street		Street			
City		City			
State	Zin Codo	State	Zin Codo		
State	Zip Code	State	Zip Code		
	PAYMENT REMITTAI	NCE INFORMATION			
PAYMENT TERMS:		PAYMENT TYPE:			
□ NET 30		D PAPER CHECK			
		ACH PAYMENT (If selected, ACH Authorization Form			
		will be e-mailed to the awarded vendor).			
BUSINESS CLASSIFICATION					
CCWA SLBE WBE	□ MBE □ DBE	□ Other SBE □ Vetera	an-Owned Business		

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY: CCWA Procurement & Contract Specialist shall e-mail the awarded vendor's Vendor Information Form and W-9 Form to

W-9 Form

► Go to www.irs.gov/FormW9 for instructions and the latest information.

	2 Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above	
on page 3.	 3 Check appropriate box for federal tax classification of the person whose name is entered on line 1. Check only one of following seven boxes. Individual/sole proprietor or C Corporation S Corporation Partnership Trust/esta single-member LLC 	certain entities, not individuals; see instructions on page 3): e
rint or type. Instructions	Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (C=C corporation, S=S corporation, P=Partnership) ▶	is code (if any)
р Specific	is disregarded from the owner should check the appropriate box for the tax classification of its owner. ○ Other (see instructions) ►	(Applies to accounts maintained outside the U.S.)
See Sp	5 Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.) See instructions. Requester's na	me and address (optional)
S	6 City, state, and ZIP code	
	7 List account number(s) here (optional)	
Par	t Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)	

	· · · ·					
Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. Th	ne TIN provided must match the name give	n on line 1 to avoid	Social security n	umber		
resident alien, sole proprietor, or disrega	is generally your social security number (S rded entity, see the instructions for Part I, I number (EIN). If you do not have a number	ater. For other	-		-	
TIN, later.		0	or			
Note: If the account is in more than one	name, see the instructions for line 1. Also s	ee What Name and	Employer identif	ication n	umber	
Number To Give the Requester for guide	lines on whose number to enter.	Γ				

Certification Part II

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

- 1. The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me); and
- 2. I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding; and
- 3. I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below); and
- 4. The FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that I am exempt from FATCA reporting is correct.

Certification instructions. You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions for Part II, later.

Sign	Signature of		
Here	U.S. person >		

General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

Future developments. For the latest information about developments related to Form W-9 and its instructions, such as legislation enacted after they were published, go to www.irs.gov/FormW9.

Purpose of Form

An individual or entity (Form W-9 requester) who is required to file an information return with the IRS must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) which may be your social security number (SSN), individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN), adoption taxpayer identification number (ATIN), or employer identification number (EIN), to report on an information return the amount paid to you, or other amount reportable on an information return. Examples of information returns include, but are not limited to, the following.

• Form 1099-INT (interest earned or paid)

- Form 1099-DIV (dividends, including those from stocks or mutual funds)
- Form 1099-MISC (various types of income, prizes, awards, or gross proceeds)
- Form 1099-B (stock or mutual fund sales and certain other transactions by brokers)
- Form 1099-S (proceeds from real estate transactions)

Date 🕨

- Form 1099-K (merchant card and third party network transactions)
- Form 1098 (home mortgage interest), 1098-E (student loan interest),
- 1098-T (tuition)
- Form 1099-C (canceled debt)
- Form 1099-A (acquisition or abandonment of secured property)
- Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN.

If you do not return Form W-9 to the requester with a TIN, you might be subject to backup withholding. See What is backup withholding, later.

By signing the filled-out form, you:

1. Certify that the TIN you are giving is correct (or you are waiting for a number to be issued),

2. Certify that you are not subject to backup withholding, or

3. Claim exemption from backup withholding if you are a U.S. exempt payee. If applicable, you are also certifying that as a U.S. person, your allocable share of any partnership income from a U.S. trade or business is not subject to the withholding tax on foreign partners' share of effectively connected income, and

4. Certify that FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that you are exempt from the FATCA reporting, is correct. See *What is FATCA reporting*, later, for further information.

Note: If you are a U.S. person and a requester gives you a form other than Form W-9 to request your TIN, you must use the requester's form if it is substantially similar to this Form W-9.

Definition of a U.S. person. For federal tax purposes, you are considered a U.S. person if you are:

• An individual who is a U.S. citizen or U.S. resident alien;

• A partnership, corporation, company, or association created or organized in the United States or under the laws of the United States;

An estate (other than a foreign estate); or

• A domestic trust (as defined in Regulations section 301.7701-7).

Special rules for partnerships. Partnerships that conduct a trade or business in the United States are generally required to pay a withholding tax under section 1446 on any foreign partners' share of effectively connected taxable income from such business. Further, in certain cases where a Form W-9 has not been received, the rules under section 1446 require a partnership to presume that a partner is a foreign person, and pay the section 1446 withholding tax. Therefore, if you are a U.S. person that is a partner in a partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States, provide Form W-9 to the partnership to establish your U.S. status and avoid section 1446 withholding on your share of partnership income.

In the cases below, the following person must give Form W-9 to the partnership for purposes of establishing its U.S. status and avoiding withholding on its allocable share of net income from the partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States.

 In the case of a disregarded entity with a U.S. owner, the U.S. owner of the disregarded entity and not the entity;

• In the case of a grantor trust with a U.S. grantor or other U.S. owner, generally, the U.S. grantor or other U.S. owner of the grantor trust and not the trust; and

• In the case of a U.S. trust (other than a grantor trust), the U.S. trust (other than a grantor trust) and not the beneficiaries of the trust.

Foreign person. If you are a foreign person or the U.S. branch of a foreign bank that has elected to be treated as a U.S. person, do not use Form W-9. Instead, use the appropriate Form W-8 or Form 8233 (see Pub. 515, Withholding of Tax on Nonresident Aliens and Foreign Entities).

Nonresident alien who becomes a resident alien. Generally, only a nonresident alien individual may use the terms of a tax treaty to reduce or eliminate U.S. tax on certain types of income. However, most tax treaties contain a provision known as a "saving clause." Exceptions specified in the saving clause may permit an exemption from tax to continue for certain types of income even after the payee has otherwise become a U.S. resident alien for tax purposes.

If you are a U.S. resident alien who is relying on an exception contained in the saving clause of a tax treaty to claim an exemption from U.S. tax on certain types of income, you must attach a statement to Form W-9 that specifies the following five items.

1. The treaty country. Generally, this must be the same treaty under which you claimed exemption from tax as a nonresident alien.

2. The treaty article addressing the income.

3. The article number (or location) in the tax treaty that contains the saving clause and its exceptions.

4. The type and amount of income that qualifies for the exemption from tax.

5. Sufficient facts to justify the exemption from tax under the terms of the treaty article.

Example. Article 20 of the U.S.-China income tax treaty allows an exemption from tax for scholarship income received by a Chinese student temporarily present in the United States. Under U.S. law, this student will become a resident alien for tax purposes if his or her stay in the United States exceeds 5 calendar years. However, paragraph 2 of the first Protocol to the U.S.-China treaty (dated April 30, 1984) allows the provisions of Article 20 to continue to apply even after the Chinese student becomes a resident alien of the United States. A Chinese student who qualifies for this exception (under paragraph 2 of the first protocol) and is relying on this exception to claim an exemption from tax on his or her scholarship or fellowship income would attach to Form W-9 a statement that includes the information described above to support that exemption.

If you are a nonresident alien or a foreign entity, give the requester the appropriate completed Form W-8 or Form 8233.

Backup Withholding

What is backup withholding? Persons making certain payments to you must under certain conditions withhold and pay to the IRS 24% of such payments. This is called "backup withholding." Payments that may be subject to backup withholding include interest, tax-exempt interest, dividends, broker and barter exchange transactions, rents, royalties, nonemployee pay, payments made in settlement of payment card and third party network transactions, and certain payments from fishing boat operators. Real estate transactions are not subject to backup withholding.

You will not be subject to backup withholding on payments you receive if you give the requester your correct TIN, make the proper certifications, and report all your taxable interest and dividends on your tax return.

Payments you receive will be subject to backup withholding if:

1. You do not furnish your TIN to the requester,

2. You do not certify your TIN when required (see the instructions for Part II for details),

3. The IRS tells the requester that you furnished an incorrect TIN,

4. The IRS tells you that you are subject to backup withholding because you did not report all your interest and dividends on your tax return (for reportable interest and dividends only), or

5. You do not certify to the requester that you are not subject to backup withholding under 4 above (for reportable interest and dividend accounts opened after 1983 only).

Certain payees and payments are exempt from backup withholding. See *Exempt payee code*, later, and the separate Instructions for the Requester of Form W-9 for more information.

Also see Special rules for partnerships, earlier.

What is FATCA Reporting?

The Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA) requires a participating foreign financial institution to report all United States account holders that are specified United States persons. Certain payees are exempt from FATCA reporting. See *Exemption from FATCA reporting code*, later, and the Instructions for the Requester of Form W-9 for more information.

Updating Your Information

You must provide updated information to any person to whom you claimed to be an exempt payee if you are no longer an exempt payee and anticipate receiving reportable payments in the future from this person. For example, you may need to provide updated information if you are a C corporation that elects to be an S corporation, or if you no longer are tax exempt. In addition, you must furnish a new Form W-9 if the name or TIN changes for the account; for example, if the grantor of a grantor trust dies.

Penalties

Failure to furnish TIN. If you fail to furnish your correct TIN to a requester, you are subject to a penalty of \$50 for each such failure unless your failure is due to reasonable cause and not to willful neglect.

Civil penalty for false information with respect to withholding. If you make a false statement with no reasonable basis that results in no backup withholding, you are subject to a \$500 penalty.

Criminal penalty for falsifying information. Willfully falsifying certifications or affirmations may subject you to criminal penalties including fines and/or imprisonment.

Misuse of TINs. If the requester discloses or uses TINs in violation of federal law, the requester may be subject to civil and criminal penalties.

Specific Instructions

Line 1

You must enter one of the following on this line; **do not** leave this line blank. The name should match the name on your tax return.

If this Form W-9 is for a joint account (other than an account maintained by a foreign financial institution (FFI)), list first, and then circle, the name of the person or entity whose number you entered in Part I of Form W-9. If you are providing Form W-9 to an FFI to document a joint account, each holder of the account that is a U.S. person must provide a Form W-9.

a. **Individual.** Generally, enter the name shown on your tax return. If you have changed your last name without informing the Social Security Administration (SSA) of the name change, enter your first name, the last name as shown on your social security card, and your new last name.

Note: ITIN applicant: Enter your individual name as it was entered on your Form W-7 application, line 1a. This should also be the same as the name you entered on the Form 1040/1040A/1040EZ you filed with your application.

b. **Sole proprietor or single-member LLC.** Enter your individual name as shown on your 1040/1040A/1040EZ on line 1. You may enter your business, trade, or "doing business as" (DBA) name on line 2.

c. Partnership, LLC that is not a single-member LLC, C corporation, or S corporation. Enter the entity's name as shown on the entity's tax return on line 1 and any business, trade, or DBA name on line 2.

d. **Other entities.** Enter your name as shown on required U.S. federal tax documents on line 1. This name should match the name shown on the charter or other legal document creating the entity. You may enter any business, trade, or DBA name on line 2.

e. **Disregarded entity.** For U.S. federal tax purposes, an entity that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner is treated as a "disregarded entity." See Regulations section 301.7701-2(c)(2)(iii). Enter the owner's name on line 1. The name of the entity entered on line 1 should never be a disregarded entity. The name on line 1 should be the name shown on the income tax return on which the income should be reported. For example, if a foreign LLC that is treated as a disregarded entity for U.S. federal tax purposes has a single owner that is a U.S. person, the U.S. owner's name is required to be provided on line 1. If the direct owner of the entity is also a disregarded entity, enter the first owner that is not disregarded for federal tax purposes. Enter the disregarded entity's name on line 2, "Business name/disregarded entity name." If the owner of the disregarded entity is a foreign person, the owner must complete an appropriate Form W-8 instead of a Form W-9. This is the case even if the foreign person has a U.S. TIN.

Line 2

If you have a business name, trade name, DBA name, or disregarded entity name, you may enter it on line 2.

Line 3

Check the appropriate box on line 3 for the U.S. federal tax classification of the person whose name is entered on line 1. Check only one box on line 3.

IF the entity/person on line 1 is a(n)	THEN check the box for
Corporation	Corporation
 Individual Sole proprietorship, or Single-member limited liability company (LLC) owned by an individual and disregarded for U.S. federal tax purposes. 	Individual/sole proprietor or single- member LLC
 LLC treated as a partnership for U.S. federal tax purposes, LLC that has filed Form 8832 or 2553 to be taxed as a corporation, or LLC that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner but the owner is another LLC that is not disregarded for U.S. federal tax purposes. 	Limited liability company and enter the appropriate tax classification. (P= Partnership; C= C corporation; or S= S corporation)
Partnership	Partnership
Trust/estate	Trust/estate

Line 4, Exemptions

If you are exempt from backup withholding and/or FATCA reporting, enter in the appropriate space on line 4 any code(s) that may apply to you.

Exempt payee code.

• Generally, individuals (including sole proprietors) are not exempt from backup withholding.

• Except as provided below, corporations are exempt from backup withholding for certain payments, including interest and dividends.

• Corporations are not exempt from backup withholding for payments made in settlement of payment card or third party network transactions.

• Corporations are not exempt from backup withholding with respect to attorneys' fees or gross proceeds paid to attorneys, and corporations that provide medical or health care services are not exempt with respect to payments reportable on Form 1099-MISC.

The following codes identify payees that are exempt from backup withholding. Enter the appropriate code in the space in line 4.

1 - An organization exempt from tax under section 501(a), any IRA, or a custodial account under section 403(b)(7) if the account satisfies the requirements of section 401(f)(2)

2-The United States or any of its agencies or instrumentalities

3-A state, the District of Columbia, a U.S. commonwealth or possession, or any of their political subdivisions or instrumentalities

4-A foreign government or any of its political subdivisions, agencies, or instrumentalities

5-A corporation

6—A dealer in securities or commodities required to register in the United States, the District of Columbia, or a U.S. commonwealth or possession

 $7\!-\!A$ futures commission merchant registered with the Commodity Futures Trading Commission

8-A real estate investment trust

9—An entity registered at all times during the tax year under the Investment Company Act of 1940

10-A common trust fund operated by a bank under section 584(a)

11-A financial institution

 $12-A \ \mbox{middleman}$ known in the investment community as a nominee or custodian

13—A trust exempt from tax under section 664 or described in section 4947

The following chart shows types of payments that may be exempt from backup withholding. The chart applies to the exempt payees listed above, 1 through 13.

IF the payment is for	THEN the payment is exempt
	for
Interest and dividend payments	All exempt payees except for 7
Broker transactions	Exempt payees 1 through 4 and 6 through 11 and all C corporations. S corporations must not enter an exempt payee code because they are exempt only for sales of noncovered securities acquired prior to 2012.
Barter exchange transactions and patronage dividends	Exempt payees 1 through 4
Payments over \$600 required to be reported and direct sales over \$5,000 ¹	Generally, exempt payees 1 through 5 ²
Payments made in settlement of payment card or third party network transactions	Exempt payees 1 through 4

¹ See Form 1099-MISC, Miscellaneous Income, and its instructions.

² However, the following payments made to a corporation and reportable on Form 1099-MISC are not exempt from backup withholding: medical and health care payments, attorneys' fees, gross proceeds paid to an attorney reportable under section 6045(f), and payments for services paid by a federal executive agency.

Exemption from FATCA reporting code. The following codes identify payees that are exempt from reporting under FATCA. These codes apply to persons submitting this form for accounts maintained outside of the United States by certain foreign financial institutions. Therefore, if you are only submitting this form for an account you hold in the United States, you may leave this field blank. Consult with the person requesting this form if you are uncertain if the financial institution is subject to these requirements. A requester may indicate that a code is not required by providing you with a Form W-9 with "Not Applicable" (or any similar indication) written or printed on the line for a FATCA exemption code.

A—An organization exempt from tax under section 501(a) or any individual retirement plan as defined in section 7701(a)(37)

B-The United States or any of its agencies or instrumentalities

C-A state, the District of Columbia, a U.S. commonwealth or possession, or any of their political subdivisions or instrumentalities

D-A corporation the stock of which is regularly traded on one or more established securities markets, as described in Regulations section 1.1472-1(c)(1)(i)

E-A corporation that is a member of the same expanded affiliated group as a corporation described in Regulations section 1.1472-1(c)(1)(i)

F-A dealer in securities, commodities, or derivative financial instruments (including notional principal contracts, futures, forwards, and options) that is registered as such under the laws of the United States or any state

G-A real estate investment trust

H-A regulated investment company as defined in section 851 or an entity registered at all times during the tax year under the Investment Company Act of 1940

I-A common trust fund as defined in section 584(a)

J—A bank as defined in section 581

K–A broker

L-A trust exempt from tax under section 664 or described in section 4947(a)(1)

M-A tax exempt trust under a section 403(b) plan or section 457(g) plan

Note: You may wish to consult with the financial institution requesting this form to determine whether the FATCA code and/or exempt payee code should be completed.

Line 5

Enter your address (number, street, and apartment or suite number). This is where the requester of this Form W-9 will mail your information returns. If this address differs from the one the requester already has on file, write NEW at the top. If a new address is provided, there is still a chance the old address will be used until the payor changes your address in their records.

Line 6

Enter your city, state, and ZIP code.

Part I. Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. If you are a resident alien and you do not have and are not eligible to get an SSN, your TIN is your IRS individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN). Enter it in the social security number box. If you do not have an ITIN, see *How to get a TIN* below.

If you are a sole proprietor and you have an EIN, you may enter either your SSN or EIN.

If you are a single-member LLC that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner, enter the owner's SSN (or EIN, if the owner has one). Do not enter the disregarded entity's EIN. If the LLC is classified as a corporation or partnership, enter the entity's EIN.

Note: See *What Name and Number To Give the Requester,* later, for further clarification of name and TIN combinations.

How to get a TIN. If you do not have a TIN, apply for one immediately. To apply for an SSN, get Form SS-5, Application for a Social Security Card, from your local SSA office or get this form online at *www.SSA.gov.* You may also get this form by calling 1-800-772-1213. Use Form W-7, Application for IRS Individual Taxpayer Identification Number, to apply for an ITIN, or Form SS-4, Application for Employer Identification Number, to apply for an EIN. You can apply for an EIN online by accessing the IRS website at *www.irs.gov/Businesses* and clicking on Employer Identification Number (EIN) under Starting a Business. Go to *www.irs.gov/Forms* to view, download, or print Form W-7 and/or Form SS-4. Or, you can go to *www.irs.gov/OrderForms* to place an order and have Form W-7 and/or SS-4 mailed to you within 10 business days.

If you are asked to complete Form W-9 but do not have a TIN, apply for a TIN and write "Applied For" in the space for the TIN, sign and date the form, and give it to the requester. For interest and dividend payments, and certain payments made with respect to readily tradable instruments, generally you will have 60 days to get a TIN and give it to the requester before you are subject to backup withholding on payments. The 60-day rule does not apply to other types of payments. You will be subject to backup withholding on all such payments until you provide your TIN to the requester.

Note: Entering "Applied For" means that you have already applied for a TIN or that you intend to apply for one soon.

Caution: A disregarded U.S. entity that has a foreign owner must use the appropriate Form W-8.

Part II. Certification

To establish to the withholding agent that you are a U.S. person, or resident alien, sign Form W-9. You may be requested to sign by the withholding agent even if item 1, 4, or 5 below indicates otherwise.

For a joint account, only the person whose TIN is shown in Part I should sign (when required). In the case of a disregarded entity, the person identified on line 1 must sign. Exempt payees, see *Exempt payee code*, earlier.

Signature requirements. Complete the certification as indicated in items 1 through 5 below.

1. Interest, dividend, and barter exchange accounts opened before 1984 and broker accounts considered active during 1983. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification.

2. Interest, dividend, broker, and barter exchange accounts opened after 1983 and broker accounts considered inactive during 1983. You must sign the certification or backup withholding will apply. If you are subject to backup withholding and you are merely providing your correct TIN to the requester, you must cross out item 2 in the certification before signing the form.

3. Real estate transactions. You must sign the certification. You may cross out item 2 of the certification.

4. Other payments. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification unless you have been notified that you have previously given an incorrect TIN. "Other payments" include payments made in the course of the requester's trade or business for rents, royalties, goods (other than bills for merchandise), medical and health care services (including payments to corporations), payments to a nonemployee for services, payments made in settlement of payment card and third party network transactions, payments to certain fishing boat crew members and fishermen, and gross proceeds paid to attorneys (including payments to corporations).

5. Mortgage interest paid by you, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, qualified tuition program payments (under section 529), ABLE accounts (under section 529A), IRA, Coverdell ESA, Archer MSA or HSA contributions or distributions, and pension distributions. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification.

What Name and Number To Give the Requester

For this type of account:	Give name and SSN of:
1. Individual	The individual
 Two or more individuals (joint account) other than an account maintained by an FFI 	The actual owner of the account or, if combined funds, the first individual on the account ¹
3. Two or more U.S. persons (joint account maintained by an FFI)	Each holder of the account
4. Custodial account of a minor (Uniform Gift to Minors Act)	The minor ²
5. a. The usual revocable savings trust (grantor is also trustee)	The grantor-trustee ¹
b. So-called trust account that is not a legal or valid trust under state law	The actual owner ¹
6. Sole proprietorship or disregarded entity owned by an individual	The owner ³
 Grantor trust filing under Optional Form 1099 Filing Method 1 (see Regulations section 1.671-4(b)(2)(i) (A)) 	The grantor*
For this type of account:	Give name and EIN of:
8. Disregarded entity not owned by an individual	The owner
9. A valid trust, estate, or pension trust	Legal entity ⁴
10. Corporation or LLC electing corporate status on Form 8832 or Form 2553	The corporation
11. Association, club, religious, charitable, educational, or other tax- exempt organization	The organization
12. Partnership or multi-member LLC	The partnership
13. A broker or registered nominee	The broker or nominee

For this type of account:	Give name and EIN of:
14. Account with the Department of Agriculture in the name of a public entity (such as a state or local government, school district, or prison) that receives agricultural program payments	The public entity
 Grantor trust filing under the Form 1041 Filing Method or the Optional Form 1099 Filing Method 2 (see Regulations section 1.671-4(b)(2)(i)(B)) 	The trust

¹ List first and circle the name of the person whose number you furnish. If only one person on a joint account has an SSN, that person's number must be furnished.

² Circle the minor's name and furnish the minor's SSN.

³ You must show your individual name and you may also enter your business or DBA name on the "Business name/disregarded entity" name line. You may use either your SSN or EIN (if you have one), but the IRS encourages you to use your SSN.

⁴ List first and circle the name of the trust, estate, or pension trust. (Do not furnish the TIN of the personal representative or trustee unless the legal entity itself is not designated in the account title.) Also see *Special rules for partnerships*, earlier.

*Note: The grantor also must provide a Form W-9 to trustee of trust.

Note: If no name is circled when more than one name is listed, the number will be considered to be that of the first name listed.

Secure Your Tax Records From Identity Theft

Identity theft occurs when someone uses your personal information such as your name, SSN, or other identifying information, without your permission, to commit fraud or other crimes. An identity thief may use your SSN to get a job or may file a tax return using your SSN to receive a refund.

To reduce your risk:

- Protect your SSN,
- · Ensure your employer is protecting your SSN, and
- Be careful when choosing a tax preparer.

If your tax records are affected by identity theft and you receive a notice from the IRS, respond right away to the name and phone number printed on the IRS notice or letter.

If your tax records are not currently affected by identity theft but you think you are at risk due to a lost or stolen purse or wallet, questionable credit card activity or credit report, contact the IRS Identity Theft Hotline at 1-800-908-4490 or submit Form 14039.

For more information, see Pub. 5027, Identity Theft Information for Taxpayers.

Victims of identity theft who are experiencing economic harm or a systemic problem, or are seeking help in resolving tax problems that have not been resolved through normal channels, may be eligible for Taxpayer Advocate Service (TAS) assistance. You can reach TAS by calling the TAS toll-free case intake line at 1-877-777-4778 or TTY/TDD 1-800-829-4059.

Protect yourself from suspicious emails or phishing schemes. Phishing is the creation and use of email and websites designed to mimic legitimate business emails and websites. The most common act is sending an email to a user falsely claiming to be an established legitimate enterprise in an attempt to scam the user into surrendering private information that will be used for identity theft. The IRS does not initiate contacts with taxpayers via emails. Also, the IRS does not request personal detailed information through email or ask taxpayers for the PIN numbers, passwords, or similar secret access information for their credit card, bank, or other financial accounts.

If you receive an unsolicited email claiming to be from the IRS, forward this message to *phishing@irs.gov*. You may also report misuse of the IRS name, logo, or other IRS property to the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration (TIGTA) at 1-800-366-4484. You can forward suspicious emails to the Federal Trade Commission at *spam@uce.gov* or report them at *www.ftc.gov/complaint*. You can contact the FTC at *www.ftc.gov/idtheft* or 877-IDTHEFT (877-438-4338). If you have been the victim of identity theft, see *www.ldentityTheft.gov* and Pub. 5027.

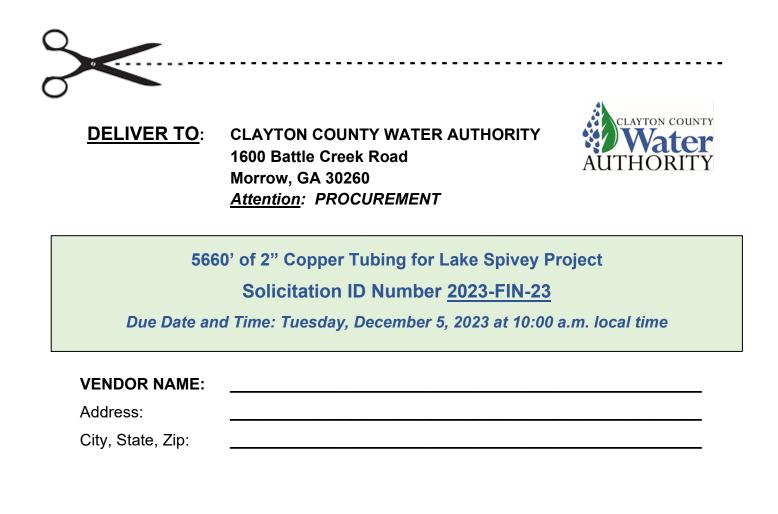
Visit *www.irs.gov/IdentityTheft* to learn more about identity theft and how to reduce your risk.

Privacy Act Notice

Section 6109 of the Internal Revenue Code requires you to provide your correct TIN to persons (including federal agencies) who are required to file information returns with the IRS to report interest, dividends, or certain other income paid to you; mortgage interest you paid; the acquisition or abandonment of secured property; the cancellation of debt; or contributions you made to an IRA, Archer MSA, or HSA. The person collecting this form uses the information on the form to file information returns with the IRS, reporting the above information. Routine uses of this information include giving it to the Department of Justice for civil and criminal litigation and to cities, states, the District of Columbia, and U.S. commonwealths and possessions for use in administering their laws. The information also may be disclosed to other countries under a treaty, to federal and state agencies to enforce civil and criminal laws, or to federal law enforcement and intelligence agencies to combat terrorism. You must provide your TIN whether or not you are required to file a tax return. Under section 3406, payers must generally withhold a percentage of taxable interest, dividend, and certain other payments to a payee who does not give a TIN to the payer. Certain penalties may also apply for providing false or fraudulent information.

BID PACKAGE LABEL

Please affix the label below to the outside of your sealed package in order to route it to the proper location timely. Packages received after the specified date and time will be deemed non-responsive.



ADDENDA