BUFFALO SEWER AUTHORITY

01/11/2024 Informational Session for BSA Upcoming Request for Construction Bids: **Primary Treatment Renovation at Bird Island WWTF** Responses to Attendee Questions

- Q1: Who is the design consulting engineer for Phase III? A1: AECOM.
- Q2: Will BSA distribute a recording of the 01/11/2024 Open House Information Session? A2: Yes. The recording, PDF presentation, and attendee list is provided at:

https://buffalosewer.org/primary-treatment-project-open-house/

- Q3: Will each of these contracts be single or separate primes?
- A3: A single prime is required when submitting a bid on Contract A **or** Contact B **or** the Combined Bid (Contract C).
- Q4: Are there minimum utilization requirements for Service-Disabled Veteran Owned Business (SDVOB) enterprises?
- A4: No; but similar to M/WBE utilization, it is encouraged.
- Q5: Does BSA require a minimum % of the work (based on the overall contract value) that the Prime Contractor needs to take on?
- A5: Buffalo Sewer recommends that the Prime contractor take on a minimum of 30% of the overall contract work.

Q6: At the 28:45 minute mark of the recording, Greeley and Hansen mentioned that the effluent conduit will be "Hobas-type pipe". Other companies also supply FRPM pipe following the same ASTM standards. How can we get on the approved manufacturers list or in the project specifications?

A6: Buffalo Sewer is open to suppliers and manufacturers reviewing the specifications and listing suppliers and manufacturers that are able to meet the specifications.

Q7: Can you please clarify the bonding and insurance standpoint for bidding all 3 packages? Will the Prime contractor need a separate bid bond for each package?

A7: See the following clarifications:

- Bonding
 - Proposal bonds, Certified checks or bid bonds, in the amount of 5% are to be submitted with the bid.
 - If a bidder is submitting on Contract A or B, or C (the combined bid of A+B), a separate bid security should submitted with each package submitted.
- Insurance
 - Insurance requirements are set by BSA for all projects. These will be described in the Instructions to Bidders specification. The bidder's insurance should be submitted with the agreement if the bidder is selected.
- Bonds
 - Performance and Maintenance bonds are required to be submitted with the signed agreement and based on the total value of the contract.
 - If the bidder submits a Contract C bid and it is selected, the contractor would be required to submit Performance and Maintenance Bonds based on their Contract C bid amount with the agreement.