

Merry Celeste, CPPB
Division Director
Purchasing and Risk Management

March 29, 2021

TO: ALL INTERESTED BIDDERS
INVITATION TO BID: Ferric Sulfate – Industrial Water Treatment Facility
BID NUMBER: 21-0207-B AJM
BID SUBMITTAL IS DUE: April 6, 2021 @ 3:00 P.M.

ADDENDUM NO. 2

Following is additional information, clarifications, questions, and responses relative to referenced Bid (ITB):

CHANGE(S):

Bid submittal due date is changed from March 30, 2021 to **April 6, 2021 @ 3:00 pm.**

QUESTION(S)/RESPONSE(S):

1. Question: Is this for product only or product and equipment?
Response: Product Only
2. Question: The current bid has specs for the ferric sulfate as 10-14% as Fe and requesting price per gallon. Supplies can supply ferric sulfate with different iron content. When asking for price per gallon, depending on the percent of material offered, there is a difference to be considered as the specific gravity varies and affects conversion calculations.
Response: See Response #4
3. Would you consider pricing based on iron (Fe) or dry ferric sulfate?
Response: Pricing should be based on Iron (FE)
4. What is the percent Fe of the material currently being used?
Response: Currently system is designed for the use of the Alum. The County has temporarily used Iron FE at 14%.

All other specifications, terms and conditions remain the same.

Please remember to acknowledge receipt of this Addendum in Section **G**, Page **28** under Addendum No. **2** and return with completed bid package.

PLEASE ADDRESS REPLY TO:
400 South Ft. Harrison, Sixth Floor
Clearwater, Florida 33756
Phone: (727) 464-3311
FAX: (727) 464-3925
Website: www.pinellascounty.org/purchase



Sincerely,

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March 17, 2021

TO: ALL INTERESTED BIDDERS

INVITATION TO BID: Ferric Sulfate – Industrial Water Treatment Facility

BID NUMBER: 21-0207-B(AJM)

BID SUBMITTAL IS DUE: March 30, 2021 @ 3:00 P.M.

ADDENDUM NO. 1

Following is additional information, clarifications, questions and responses relative to referenced Bid (ITB):

CHANGE(S):

Bid submittal due date is changed from March 18, 2021 to **March 30, 2021 @ 3:00 pm.**

QUESTION(S)/RESPONSE(S):

1. Question: Question: Would Pinellas County consider also allowing documented proof of price changes in the raw materials (Sulfuric Acid & Iron) to adjust prices? Or, would Pinellas County consider reducing the contract term to 12 months, with mutually agreed to annual renewals if you still plan to use the PPI as the guide?

Response: The following information is updated on page 14 of 29, Section B, No. 3:

PRICING/PERIOD OF CONTRACT: Duration of the contract shall be for a period of sixty (60) months from the date of contract award with unit prices adjustable (**Decrease/Increase**) at twelve (12) months after the date of award and thereafter annually for the life of the contract, in an amount not to exceed the average of the **Producer Price Index (PPI) or 4%, whichever is less for Chemicals and allied products, not seasonally adjusted; Series Id: WPU06, base date 198200**, for the twelve (12) months prior.

All other specifications, terms and conditions remain the same.

Please remember to acknowledge receipt of this Addendum in Section **G**, Page **28** under Addendum No.1 and return with completed bid package.

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SEALED BID • DO NOT OPEN

SEALED BID NO.: 21-0207-B AJM

BID TITLE: Ferric Sulfate – Industrial Water
Treatment Facility

DUE DATE/TIME: March 18, 2021 @ 3:00 p.m.

SUBMITTED BY: _____
(Name of Company)

Please Note:

From time to time, addenda may be issued to this bid. Any such addenda will be posted on the same Web site, www.pinellascounty.org/purchase/Current_Bids1.htm , from which you obtained this bid.

Before submitting your bid, you should check our Web site to download any addenda that may have been issued. Please remember to sign and return Addenda Acknowledgement Form with completed bid package if applicable.

PINELLAS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS 400 S. FT. HARRISON AVENUE ANNEX BUILDING – 6 TH FLOOR CLEARWATER, FL 33756		<h1>INVITATION TO BID</h1>
ISSUE DATE: February 19, 2021	BID SUBMITTALS RECEIVED AFTER SUBMITTAL DATE & TIME WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED	
TITLE: Ferric Sulfate – Industrial Water Treatment Facility	BID NUMBER: 21-0207-B AJM	
SUBMITTAL DUE: March 18, 2021 @ 3:00 P.M. AND MAY NOT BE WITHDRAWN FOR 90 DAYS FROM DATE LISTED ABOVE.	PRE-BID DATE & LOCATION: NOT APPLICABLE	
DEADLINE FOR WRITTEN QUESTIONS: March 4, 2021 BY 3:00 P.M. SUBMIT QUESTIONS: QUESTIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED IN PINELLAS EPRO WITHIN THE Q & A TAB.		
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>THE MISSION OF PINELLAS COUNTY</u></p> Pinellas County Government is committed to progressive public policy, superior public service, courteous public contact, judicious exercise of authority and sound management of public resources to meet the needs and concerns of our citizens today and tomorrow.	 MERRY CELESTE, CPPB Division Director Purchasing and Risk Management	

BIDDER MUST COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING

BIDDERS ARE CAUTIONED THAT THE POLICY OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, PINELLAS COUNTY, IS TO ACCEPT THE LOWEST RESPONSIBLE BID RECEIVED MEETING SPECIFICATIONS. NO CHANGES REQUESTED BY A BIDDER DUE TO AN ERROR IN PRICING WILL BE CONSIDERED AFTER THE BID OPENING DATE AS ADVERTISED. BY SIGNING THIS PROPOSAL FORM BIDDERS ARE ATTESTING TO THEIR AWARENESS OF THIS POLICY AND ARE AGREEING TO ALL OTHER BID TERMS AND CONDITIONS, INCLUDING ALL INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS.

PAYMENT TERMS: ____% ____DAYS, NET **45** (PER F.S. 218.73)

*BID DEPOSIT, IF REQUIRED, IS ATTACHED IN THE AMOUNT OF \$ _____

BIDDER (COMPANY NAME): _____

D/B/A _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

CITY / STATE / ZIP _____

COMPANY EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

PHN: () _____ **FAX:** () _____

***REMIT TO NAME:** _____

CONTACT NAME: _____

(As Shown On Company Invoice)

FEIN# _____

PRINT NAME: _____

Proper Corporate Identity is needed when you submit your bid, especially how your firm is registered with the Florida Division of Corporations. Please visit www.sunbiz.org for this information. It is essential to return a copy of your W-9 with your bid. Thank you.

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

I HEREBY AGREE TO ABIDE BY ALL TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THIS BID, INCLUDING ALL INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS & CERTIFY I AM AUTHORIZED TO SIGN THIS BID FOR THE BIDDER.

FORMS CHECKLIST	
COPY OF COMPANY INVOICE	<input type="checkbox"/>
W-9 (TAXPAYER ID)	<input type="checkbox"/>

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE: _____

PRINT NAME/TITLE: _____

SEE ATTACHED EXCEL SECTION F FOR BID PRICING SUMMARY

SECTION A - GENERAL CONDITIONS

1. PREPARATION OF BID:

Bid will be prepared in accordance with the following:

- (a) Our enclosed Bid Summary is to be used in submitting your bid.
- (b) All information required by the Bid Summary shall be furnished. The bidder should print or type his name and manually sign the schedule and each continuation sheet on which an entry is made.
- (c) Unit prices shall be shown and where there is an error in extension of price, the unit price shall govern.
- (d) Alternate bids will not be considered unless authorized by the Invitation to Bid.
- (e) Proposed delivery time must be shown and shall include Sundays and holidays.
- (f) The County is exempt from all state and federal sales, use, transportation and excise taxes. Taxes of any kind and character, payable on account of the work performed and materials furnished under the award, shall be paid by the bidder and deemed to have been included in the bid. The Laws of the State of Florida provide that sales and use taxes are payable by the bidder upon the tangible personal property incorporated in the work and such taxes shall be paid by the bidder and be deemed to have been included in the bid.
- (g) Bidders shall thoroughly examine the drawings, specifications, schedule, instructions and all other contract documents.
- (h) Bidders shall make all investigations necessary to thoroughly inform themselves regarding plant and facilities for delivery of material and equipment as required by the bid conditions. Plea of ignorance by the bidder of conditions that exist or that may hereafter exist as a result of failure or omission on the part of the bidder to make the necessary examinations and investigations, or failure to fulfill in every detail the requirements of the contract documents, will not be accepted as a basis for varying the requirements of the County or the compensation to the vendor.
- (i) Bidders are advised that all County Contracts are subject to all legal requirements provided for in the Purchasing Ordinance and/or State and Federal Statutes.

2. DESCRIPTION OF SUPPLIES:

- (a) Any manufacturer's names, trade names, brand name, or catalog numbers used in specifications are for the purpose of describing and establishing general quality levels. SUCH REFERENCES ARE NOT INTENDED TO BE RESTRICTIVE. Bids will be considered for all brands which meet the quality of the specifications listed for any items.
- (b) Bidders are required to state exactly what they intend to furnish, otherwise they shall be required to furnish the items as specified.
- (c) Bidders will submit, with their proposal, data necessary to evaluate and determine the quality of the item(s) they are bidding.

3. ALTERNATES:

Unless otherwise provided in an Invitation to Bid or Request for Proposals, ALTERNATIVES may be included in the plans, specifications, and/or proposals. When included, the Bidder or Offerer shall indicate on the proposal the cost of said alternate and sum to be deducted or added to the Base Bid. Such alternates may or may not be accepted by the County. If approved, it is at the County's discretion to accept said alternate(s) in any sequence or combination therein.

4. SUBMISSION OF BID:

- (a) Bids or proposals shall be submitted utilizing Pinellas ePro procurement website. Failure to comply could result in the bid or proposal being rejected.
- (b) Bid must be submitted on the forms furnished. Emails and facsimile bids will not be considered. The County reserves the right to modify the Bid Proposal by emails and facsimile notice.

5. REJECTION OF BID:

- (a) The County may reject a bid if:
 1. The bidder misstates or conceals any material fact in the bid.
 2. The bid does not strictly conform to the law or requirements of bid, including insurance requirements.
 3. The bid is conditional, except that the bidder may qualify his bid for acceptance by the County on an "all or none" basis, or a "low item" basis. An "all or none" basis bid must include all items upon which the bid was invited.
- (b) The respective constitutional officer, county administrator on behalf of the board of county commissioners or within his/her delegated financial approval authority, or director of purchasing, within his/her delegated financial approval authority shall have the authority when the public interest will be served thereby to reject all bids or parts of bids at any stage of the procurement process through the award of a contract.
- (c) The County reserves the right to waive minor informalities or irregularities in any bid.

SECTION A - GENERAL CONDITIONS**6. WITHDRAWAL OF BID:**

- (a) Bid may not be withdrawn after the time set for the bid submittal for a period of time as specified.
- (b) Bid may be withdrawn prior to the time set for the bid submittal. Such request must be in writing.

7. LATE BID OR MODIFICATIONS:

- (a) Bid and modifications received after the time set for the bid submittal will not be considered. This upholds the integrity of the bidding process.
- (b) Modifications in writing received prior to the time set for the bid submittal will be accepted.

8. PUBLIC REVIEW AT BID OPENING:

Pursuant to Florida Statute, Section 119.071(1)(b)2, all bids submitted shall be subject to review as public records after 30 days from opening, or earlier if an intended decision is reached before the thirty-day period expires. Unless a specific exemption exists, all documents submitted will be released pursuant to a valid public records request. All trade secrets claims shall be dispositively determined by a court of law prior to trade secret protection being granted.

9. BID TABULATION INQUIRIES:

Inquiries relating to the results of this bid, prior to the official bid award by the Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners may be made by visiting Pinellas ePro or calling the Purchasing Office. Tabulations will be posted on the Purchasing Website (www.pinellascounty.org/purchase/Current_Bids1.htm) after 30 days to comply with Florida Statute, Section 119.071(1)(b)2.

10. AWARD OF CONTRACT:

- (a) The contract will be awarded to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder whose bid, conforming to the Invitation to Bid, is most advantageous to Pinellas County, price and other factors considered. For Invitation to Bid for Sale of Real or Surplus Property, award will be made to the highest and most advantageous bid including price and other factors considered.
- (b) The County reserves the right to accept and award item by item, and/or by group, or in the aggregate, unless the bidder qualifies his bid by specified limitations. See Rejection of Bids.
- (c) If two or more bids received are for the same total amount or unit price, or in the case of proposals, the qualifications, quality and service are equal, the contract shall be awarded to the local bidder/proposer. A local firm is defined as a firm with headquarters in geographical Pinellas County. Headquarters shall mean the office location that serves as the administrative center and principal place of business. If two or more bids received are for the same total amount or unit price or in the case of proposals, the qualifications, quality and service are equal and no firms are deemed local, then the contract shall be awarded by drawing lots in public.
- (d) Prices quoted must be FOB Pinellas County with all transportation charges prepaid unless otherwise specified in the Invitation to Bid.
- (e) A written award of acceptance (Purchase Order), mailed or otherwise furnished to the successful bidder, shall result in a binding contract without further action by either party.

11. BIDS FROM RELATED PARTIES OR MULTIPLE BIDS RECEIVED FROM ONE VENDOR:

Where two (2) or more related parties each submit a bid or proposal or multiple bids are received from one (1) vendor, for any contract, such bids or proposals shall be judged non-responsive. Related parties mean bidders or proposers or the principles thereof, which have a direct or indirect ownership interest in another bidder or proposer for the same contract or in which a parent company or the principles thereof of one (1) bidder or proposer have a direct or indirect ownership interest in another bidder or proposer for the same contract.

SECTION A - GENERAL CONDITIONS

12. **LOCAL, STATE, AND FEDERAL COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS:**
The laws of the State of Florida apply to any purchase made under this Invitation to bid. Bidders shall comply with all local, state, and federal directives, orders and laws as applicable to this bid and subsequent contract(s) including but not limited to Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO), Minority Business Enterprise (MBE), and OSHA as applicable to this contract.
13. **PROVISION FOR OTHER AGENCIES:**
Unless otherwise stipulated by the bidder, the bidder agrees to make available to all Government agencies, departments, and municipalities the bid prices submitted in accordance with said bid terms and conditions therein, should any said governmental entity desire to buy under this proposal. Eligible Users shall mean all state of Florida agencies, the legislative and judicial branches, political subdivisions (counties, local district school boards, community colleges, municipalities, or other public agencies or authorities), which may desire to purchase under the terms and conditions of the contract.
14. **COLLUSION:**
The bidder, by affixing his signature to this proposal, agrees to the following: "Bidder certifies that his bid is made without previous understanding, agreement, or connection with any person, firm or corporation making a bid for the same item(s) and is in all respects fair, without outside control, collusion, fraud, or otherwise illegal action".
15. **CONTRACTOR LICENSE REQUIREMENT:**
All contractors performing construction and related work in Pinellas County must comply with our regulatory legislation, Chapter 75-489, Laws of Florida, as amended. Failure to have a competency license in a regulated trade will be cause for rejection of any bid and/or contract award.
16. **SAFETY DATA SHEETS REQUIREMENTS:**
If any chemicals, materials, or products containing toxic substances, in accordance with OSHA Hazardous Communications Standards, are contained in the products purchased by the County as a result of this bid, the successful bidder shall provide a Safety Data Sheet at the time of each delivery.
17. **RIGHT TO AUDIT:**
Pinellas County reserves the privilege of auditing a vendor's records as such records relate to purchases between Pinellas County and said vendor. Such audit privilege is provided for within the text of the Pinellas County Code §2-176(j). Records should be maintained for five (5) years from the date of final payment.
18. **PUBLIC ENTITY CRIME AND SCRUTINIZED COMPANIES:**
Contractor is directed to the Florida Public Entity Crime Act, Fla. Stat. 287.133, and Fla. Stat. 287.135 regarding Scrutinized Companies, and Contractor agrees that its bid and, if awarded, its performance of the agreement will comply with all applicable laws including those referenced herein. Contractor represents and certifies that Contractor is and will at all times remain eligible to bid for and perform the services subject to the requirements of these, and other applicable, laws. Contractor agrees that any contract awarded to Contractor will be subject to termination by the County if Contractor fails to comply or to maintain such compliance.
19. **COUNTY INDEMNIFICATION:**
- a) The first ten dollars (\$10) of compensation received by the contractor pursuant to this contract represents specific consideration for the following indemnification: contractor shall indemnify, pay the cost of defense, including attorneys' fees, and hold harmless the County from all suits, actions or claims of any character brought on account of any injuries or damages received or sustained by any person, persons or property by or from the said contractor; or by, or in consequence of any neglect in safeguarding the work; or through the use of unacceptable materials in the construction of improvements; or by, or on account of any act or omission, neglect or misconduct of the said contractor; or by, or on account of, any claim or amounts recovered under the "Workers' Compensation Law" or of any other laws, by-laws, ordinance, order or decree, except only such injury or damage as shall have been occasioned by the sole negligence of the County.

SECTION A - GENERAL CONDITIONS

- b) Unless specifically prohibited by Florida Law, the successful bidder(s) agrees to indemnify the County and hold it harmless from and against all claims, liability, loss, damage or expense, including counsel fees, arising from or by reason of any actual or claimed trademark, patent or copyright infringement or litigation based thereon, with respect to the goods or any part thereof covered by this order, and such obligation shall survive acceptance of the goods and payment thereof by the County.
- c) The duty to defend under this Article is independent and separate from the duty to indemnify, and the duty to defend exists regardless of any ultimate liability of the CONSULTANT, the COUNTY and any indemnified party. The duty to defend arises immediately upon presentation of a claim by any party and written notice of such claim being provided to the CONSULTANT. The CONSULTANT'S obligation to indemnify and defend under this Article will survive the expiration or earlier termination of this Agreement until it is determined by final judgment that an action against the COUNTY or an indemnified party for the matter indemnified hereunder is fully and finally barred by the applicable statute of limitations.

20. **VARIANCE FROM STANDARD TERMS & CONDITIONS:**

All standard terms and conditions stated in Section A apply to this contract except as specifically stated in the subsequent sections of the document, which take precedence over Section A, and should be fully understood by bidders prior to submitting a bid on this requirement.

21. **ADA REQUIREMENT FOR PUBLIC NOTICES:**

Persons with disabilities requiring reasonable accommodation to participate in this proceeding/event, should call 727/464-4062 (voice/tdd) fax 727/464-4157, not later than seven days prior to the proceeding.

22. **"OR EQUAL" DETERMINATION:**

Where bidding other than specified, the determination of equivalency will be at the sole discretion of Pinellas County and its specialized person.

23. **INSURANCE:**

Notice: The Contractor/Vendor must provide a certificate of insurance and endorsement in accordance with the insurance requirements listed below (Section C). Failure to provide the required insurance within a ten (10) day period following the determination or recommendation of lowest responsive, responsible bidder may result in the County to vacate the original determination or recommendation and proceed with recommendation to the second lowest, responsive, responsible bidder.

24. **PROCUREMENT POLICY FOR RECYCLED MATERIALS:**

Pinellas County wishes to encourage its bidders to use recycled products in fulfilling contractual obligations to the County and that such a policy will serve as a model for other public entities and private sector companies.

When awarding a purchase of \$5,000 or less or recommending a purchase in excess of \$5,000 for products, materials, or services, the Director of Purchasing may allow a preference to a responsive bidder who certifies that their product or material contains the greatest percentage of postconsumer material. If they are bidding on paper products, they must certify that their materials and/or products contain at least the content recommended by the EPA guidelines.

On all bids over fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) and formal quotes under fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000), or as required by law, the Director of Purchasing shall require vendors to specify which products have recycled materials, what percentage or amount is postconsumer material, and to provide certification of the percentages of recycled materials used in the manufacture of goods and commodities procured by the County.

Price preference is not the preferred practice the County wishes to employ in meeting the goals of this resolution. If a price preference is deemed to serve the best interest of the County and further supports the purchase of recycled materials, the Director of Purchasing will make a recommendation that a price preference be allowed up to an amount not to exceed 10% above the lowest complying bid received.

SECTION A - GENERAL CONDITIONS

DEFINITIONS:

Recovered Materials: Materials that have recycling potential, can be recycled, and have been diverted or removed from the solid waste stream for sale, use or reuse, by separation, collection, or processing.

Recycled Materials: Materials that contain recovered materials. This term may include internally generated scrap that is commonly used in industrial or manufacturing processes, waste or scrap purchased from another manufacturer and used in the same or a closely related product.

Postconsumer Materials: Materials which have been used by a business or a consumer and have served their intended end use, and have been separated or diverted from the solid waste stream for the purpose of recycling, such as; newspaper, aluminum, glass containers, plastic containers, office paper, corrugated boxes, pallets or other items which can be used in the remanufacturing process.

25. **ASBESTOS MATERIALS:**

The contractor shall perform all work in compliance with Federal, State and local laws, statutes, rules, regulations and ordinances, including but not limited to the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP)'s asbestos requirements, 40 CFR Part 61, Subpart M, and OSHA Section 29 CFR 1926.58. Additionally, the contractor shall be properly licensed and/or certified for asbestos removal as required under Federal, State and local laws, statutes, rules, regulations and ordinances.

The County shall be responsible for filing all DEP notifications and furnish a copy of the DEP notification and approval for demolition to the successful contractor. The County will furnish a copy of the asbestos survey to the successful bidder. The contractor must keep this copy on site at all times during the actual demolition.

26. **PAYMENT/INVOICES:**

SUPPLIER shall submit invoices for payment due as provided herein with such documentation as required by Pinellas County and all payments shall be made in accordance with the requirements of Section 218.70 *et. seq.*, Florida Statutes, "The Local Government Prompt Payment Act." Invoices shall be submitted to the address below unless instructed otherwise on the purchase order, or if no purchase order, by the ordering department:

Finance Division Accounts Payable
Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners
P. O. Box 2438
Clearwater, FL 33757

Each invoice shall include, at a minimum, the Supplier's name, contact information and the standard purchase order number. In order to expedite payment, it is recommended the Supplier also include the information shown in below. The County may dispute any payments invoiced by SUPPLIER in accordance with the County's Dispute Resolution Process for Invoiced Payments, established in accordance with Section 218.76, Florida Statutes, and any such disputes shall be resolved in accordance with the County's Dispute Resolution Process.

INVOICE INFORMATION:

Supplier Information Company name, mailing address, phone number, contact name and email address as provided on the PO

Remit To Billing address to which you are requesting payment be sent

Invoice Date Creation date of the invoice

Invoice Number Company tracking number

Shipping Address Address where goods and/or services were delivered

Ordering Department Name of ordering department, including name and phone number of contact person

PO Number Standard purchase order number

Ship Date Date the goods/services were sent/provided

SECTION A - GENERAL CONDITIONS

Quantity	Quantity of goods or services billed
Description	Description of services or goods delivered
Unit Price	Unit price for the quantity of goods/services delivered
Line Total	Amount due by line item
Invoice Total	Sum of all of the line totals for the invoice

Pinellas County offers a credit card payment process (ePayables) through Bank of America. Pinellas County does not charge vendors to participate in the program; however, there may be a charge by the company that processes your credit card transactions. For more information please visit Pinellas County purchasing website at www.pinellascounty.org/purchase.

27. **TAXES:**
Payments to Pinellas County are subject to applicable Florida taxes.
28. **TERMINATION:**
- (a) Pinellas County reserves the right to terminate this contract without cause by giving thirty (30) days prior notice to the contractor in writing of the intention to terminate or with cause if at any time the contractor fails to fulfill or abide by any of the terms or conditions specified.
 - (b) Failure of the contractor to comply with any of the provisions of this contract shall be considered a material breach of contract and shall be cause for immediate termination of the contract at the discretion of Pinellas County.
 - (c) In the event sufficient budgeted funds are not available for a new fiscal period, the County shall notify the vendor of such occurrence and contract shall terminate on the last day of current fiscal period without penalty or expense to the County.
 - (d) In addition to all other legal remedies available to Pinellas County, Pinellas County reserves the right to terminate and obtain from another source, any items/services which have not been delivered within the period of time stated in the proposal, or if no such time is stated, within a reasonable period of time from the date of order as determined by Pinellas County.
29. **BIDDER CAPABILITY/REFERENCES:**
Prior to contract award, any bidder may be required to show that the company has the necessary facilities, equipment, ability and financial resources to perform the work specified in a satisfactory manner and within the time specified. In addition, the company must have experience in work of the same or similar nature, and can provide references, which will satisfy the County. Bidders must furnish a reference list of at least four (4) customers for whom they have performed similar services (SEE SECTION D).
30. **DELIVERY/CLAIMS:**
Prices quoted shall be F.O.B. Destination, FREIGHT INCLUDED and unloaded to location(s) within Pinellas County. Actual delivery address(es) shall be identified at time of order. Successful bidder(s) will be responsible for making any and all claims against carriers for missing or damaged items.
31. **MATERIAL QUALITY:**
All materials purchased and delivered against this contract will be of first quality and not damaged and/or factory seconds. Any materials damaged or not in first quality condition upon receipt will be exchanged within twenty-four (24) hours of notice to the Contractor at no charge to the County.
32. **WRITTEN REQUESTS FOR INTERPRETATIONS/CLARIFICATIONS:**
No oral interpretations will be made to any firms as to the meaning of specifications or any other contract documents. All questions pertaining to the terms and conditions or scope of work of this bid/proposal must be sent in writing (electronically) to the Purchasing Department and received by the date specified in ITB. Responses to questions may be handled as an addendum if the response would provide clarification to requirements of the bid. All such addenda shall become part of the contract documents. The County will not be responsible for any other explanation or interpretation of the proposed bid made or given prior to the award of the contract. The Purchasing Department will be unable to respond to questions received after the specified time frame.

SECTION A - GENERAL CONDITIONS

33. **ASSIGNMENT/SUBCONTRACTING/CORPORATE ACQUISITIONS AND/OR MERGERS:**

The Contractor shall perform this contract. If a bidder intends to subcontract a portion of this work, the bidder must disclose that intent in the bid. No assignment or subcontracting shall be allowed without prior written consent of the County. In the event of a corporate acquisition and/or merger, the Contractor shall provide written notice to the County within thirty (30) business days of Contractor's notice of such action or upon the occurrence of said action, whichever occurs first. The right to terminate this contract, which shall not be unreasonably exercised by the County, shall include, but not be limited to, instances in which a corporate acquisition and/or merger represent a conflict of interest or are contrary to any local, state, or federal laws. Action by the County awarding a bid to a bidder, which has disclosed its intent to assign or subcontract in its response to the ITB, without exception shall constitute approval for purposes of this Agreement. The Contractor must inform the County in writing within forty-five (45) business days if the Contractor's business entity's name changes. The Contractor will bear all responsibility and waive any rights it may have to relief for any delay in processing a payment associated with the County's inability to issue payment to the Contractor for a business entity name change that the County was not made aware of as reflected herein.

34. **EXCEPTIONS:**

Contractor is advised that if it wishes to take exception to any of the terms contained in this Bid or the attached service agreement it must identify the term and the exception in its response to the Bid. Failure to do so may lead County to declare any such term non-negotiable. Contractor's desire to take exception to a non-negotiable term will not disqualify it from consideration for award.

35. **NON-EXCLUSIVE CONTRACT:**

Award of this Contract shall impose no obligation on the County to utilize the vendor for all work of this type, which may develop during the contract period. This is not an exclusive contract. The County specifically reserves the right to concurrently contract with other companies for similar work if it deems such action to be in the County's best interest. In the case of multiple-term contracts, this provision shall apply separately to each term.

36. **PUBLIC RECORDS/TRADE SECRETS:**

Pinellas County Government is subject to the Florida Public Records law (Chapter 119, Florida Statutes), and all documents, materials, and data submitted to any solicitation as part of the response are governed by the disclosure, exemption and confidentiality provisions relating to public records in Florida Statutes. Except for materials that are "trade secrets" or "confidential" as defined by applicable Florida law, ownership of all documents, materials, and data submitted in response to the solicitation shall belong exclusively to the County.

To the extent that Proposer/Bidder/Quoter desires to maintain the confidentiality of materials that constitute trade secrets pursuant to Florida law, trade secret material submitted must be identified by some distinct method that the materials that constitute a trade secret, and Proposer/Bidder/Quoter shall provide an additional copy of the proposal/bid/quote that redacts all designated trade secrets. By submitting materials that are designated as trade secrets and signature of the Proposer/Bidder/Quoter Signature Page, Proposer/Bidder/Quoter acknowledges and agrees:

- (i) that after notice from the County that a public records request has been made for the materials designated as a trade secret, the Proposer/Bidder/Quoter shall be solely responsible for defending its determination that submitted material is a trade secret that is not subject to disclosure at its sole cost, which action shall be taken immediately, but no later than 10 calendar days from the date of notification or Proposer/Bidder/Quoter will be deemed to have waived the trade secret designation of the materials;
- (ii) that to the extent that the proposal/bid/quote with trade secret materials is evaluated, the County and its officials, employees, agents, and representatives in any way involved in processing, evaluating, negotiating contract terms, approving any contract based on the proposal/bid/quote, or engaging in any other activity relating to the competitive selection process are hereby granted full rights to access, view, consider, and discuss the materials designated as trade secrets through the final contract award;
- (iii) to indemnify and hold the County, and its officials, employees, agents and representatives harmless from any actions, damages (including attorney's fees and costs), or claims arising from or related to the designation of trade secrets by the Proposer/Bidder/Quoter, including actions or claims arising from the County's non-disclosure of the trade secret materials.
- (iv) that information and data it manages as part of the services may be public record in accordance with Chapter 119, Florida Statutes and Pinellas County public record policies. Proposer/Bidder/Quoter agrees prior to providing goods/services it will implement policies and procedures to maintain, produce, secure and retain public records in accordance with applicable laws, regulations, and County Policies, which are subject to approval by the County, including but limited to the Section 119.0701, Florida Statutes.

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Notwithstanding any other provision in the solicitation, the classification as trade secret of the entire proposal/bid/quote document, line item and/or total proposal/bid/quote prices, the work, services, project, goods, and/or products to be provided by Proposer/Bidder/Quoter, or any information, data, or materials that may be part of or incorporated into a contract between the County and the Proposer/Bidder/Quoter is not acceptable to the County and will result in a determination that the proposal/bid/quote is nonresponsive; the classification as trade secret of any other portion of a proposal/bid/quote document may result in a determination that the proposal/bid/quote is nonresponsive.

37. **LOBBYING:**

Lobbying shall be prohibited on all County competitive selection processes and purchasing contract awards pursuant to this division, including, but not limited to, requests for proposals, requests for quotations, requests for qualifications, bids or the award of purchasing contracts of any type. The purpose of this prohibition is to protect the integrity of the procurement process by shielding it from undue influences prior to the contract award, or the competitive selection process is otherwise concluded. However, nothing herein shall prohibit a prospective bidder/proposer/protestor from contacting the Purchasing Department or the county attorney's office to address situations such as clarification and/or pose questions related to the procurement process.

Lobbying of evaluation committee members, County government employees, elected/appointed officials, or advisory board members regarding requests for proposals, requests for quotations, requests for qualifications, bids, or purchasing contracts, by the bidder/proposer, any member of the bidder's/proposer's staff, any agent or representative of the bidder/proposer, or any person employed by any legal entity affiliated with or representing a bidder/proposer/protestor, is strictly prohibited from the date of the advertisement, or on a date otherwise established by the Board, until either an award is final, or the competitive selection process is otherwise concluded. Any lobbying activities in violation of this section by or on behalf of a bidder/proposer shall result in the disqualification or rejection of the proposal, quotation, statement of qualification, bid or contract.

For purposes of this provision, "lobbying" shall mean influencing or attempting to influence action or non-action, and/or attempting to obtain the goodwill of persons specified herein relating to the selection, ranking, or contract award in connection with any request for proposal, request for quotation, request for qualification, bid or purchasing contract through direct or indirect oral or written communication. The final award of a purchasing contract shall be the effective date of the purchasing contract.

Any evaluation committee member, County government employee, elected/appointed official, or advisory board member who has been lobbied shall immediately report the lobbying activity to the Director.

38. **ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS:**

The County reserves the right to request additional goods or services relating to this Agreement from the Contractor. When approved by the County as an amendment to this Agreement and authorized in writing, the Contractor shall provide such additional requirements as may become necessary.

39. **ADD/DELETE LOCATIONS SERVICES:**

The County reserves the right to unilaterally add or delete locations/services, either collectively or individually, at the County's sole option, at any time after award has been made as may be deemed necessary or in the best interests of the County. In such case, the contractor(s) will be required to provide services to this contract in accordance with the terms, conditions, and specifications.

40. **INTEGRITY OF BID DOCUMENTS:**

Bidders shall use the original Bid Form(s) provided by the Purchasing Department and enter information only in the spaces where a response is requested. Bidders may use an attachment as an *addendum* to the Bid Form(s) if sufficient space is not available on the original form for the bidder to enter a complete response. **Any modifications or alterations to the original bid documents by the bidder, whether intentional or otherwise, will constitute grounds for rejection of a bid.** Any such modifications or alterations a bidder wishes to propose must be clearly stated in the bidder's proposal response and presented in the form of an addendum to the original bid documents.

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41. **PUBLIC EMERGENCIES:**

It is hereby made a part of this bid that before, during, and after a public emergency, disaster, hurricane, tornado, flood, or other acts of God that Pinellas County shall require a "First Priority" for goods and services. It is vital and imperative that the majority of citizens are protected from any emergency situation that threatens public health and safety, as determined by the County. Vendor/contractor agrees to rent/sell/lease all goods and services to the County or governmental entities on a "first priority" basis. The County expects to pay a fair and reasonable price for all products and services rendered or contracted in the event of a disaster, emergency, hurricane, tornado or other acts of God.

42. **JOINT VENTURES:**

All Bidders intending to submit a bid as a Joint Venture are required to have filed proper documents with the Florida Department of State, the Division of Professions, Construction Industry Licensing Board and any other state or local licensing Agency prior to submitting the bid (see Section 489.119 Florida Statutes).

Joint Venture Firms must provide an affidavit attesting to the formulation of a joint venture and provide either proof of incorporation as a joint venture or a copy of the formal joint venture Agreement between all joint venture parties, indicating their respective roles, responsibilities and levels of participation for the project.

43. **CONFLICT OF INTEREST:**

- a) The Bidder represents that it presently has no interest and shall acquire no interest, either direct or indirect, which would conflict in any manner with the performance or services required hereunder. The Bidder further represents that no person having any such interest shall be employed by him/her during the agreement term and any extensions. In addition, the Bidder shall not offer gifts or gratuities to County Employees as County Employees are not permitted to accept gifts or gratuities. By signing this bid document, the Bidder acknowledges that no gifts or gratuities have been offered to County Employees or anyone else involved in this competitive invitation to bid process.
- b) The Bidder shall promptly notify the County's representative, in writing, by certified mail, of all potential conflicts of interest for any prospective business association, interest, or other circumstance, which may influence or appear to influence the Contractor's judgment or quality of services being provided hereunder. Such written notification shall identify the prospective business association, interest or circumstance, the nature of work that the Bidder may undertake and request an opinion of the County as to whether the association, interest or circumstance would, in the opinion of the County, constitute a conflict of interest if entered into by the Bidder. The County agrees to notify the Bidder of its opinion, by certified mail, within thirty days of receipt of notification by the Bidder.
- c) It is essential to government procurement that the process be open, equitable and ethical. To this end, if potential unethical practices including but not limited to collusion, receipt or solicitation of gifts and conflicts of interest (direct/indirect) etc. are observed or perceived, please report such activity to:

Pinellas County Clerk of Circuit Court – Division of Inspector General

Phone – (727) 45FRAUD (453-7283)

Fax – 727-464-8386

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44. PROTEST PROCEDURE:

As per Section 2-162 of County Code

- (a) *Right to Protest.* A Vendor who is aggrieved by the contents of the bid or proposal package, or a Vendor who is aggrieved in connection with the recommended award on a bid or proposal solicitation, may file a written protest to the Director, as provided herein. This right to protest is strictly limited to those procurements of goods and/or services solicited through invitations to bid or requests for proposals, including solicitations pursuant to F.S. § 287.055, the "Consultants' Competitive Negotiation Act." No other actions or recommendations in connection with a solicitation can be protested, including: (i) requests for quotations, negotiations, qualifications or letters of interest; (ii) rejection of some, all or parts of bids or proposals; (iii) disqualification of bidders or proposers as non-responsive or non-responsible; or (iv) recommended awards less than the mandatory bid or proposal amount. Protests failing to comply with the provisions of this section shall not be reviewed.
- (b) *Posting.* The Purchasing Department shall post the recommended award on or through the departmental website.
- (c) *Requirements to Protest.*
- (1) If the protest relates to the content of the bid or proposal package, a formal written protest must be filed no later than 5:00 p.m. EST on the fifth full Business Day after issuance of the bid or proposal package.
 - (2) If the protest relates to the recommended award of a bid or proposal, a formal written protest must be filed no later than 5:00 p.m. EST on the fifth full Business Day after posting of the award recommendation.
 - (3) The formal written protest shall identify the protesting party and the solicitation involved; include a statement of the grounds on which the protest is based; refer to the statutes, laws, ordinances or other legal authorities which the protesting party deems applicable to such grounds; and specifically request the relief to which the protesting party deems itself entitled by application of such authorities to such grounds.
 - (4) A formal written protest is considered filed with the County when the Purchasing Department receives it. Accordingly, a protest is not timely filed unless it is received within the time specified above by the Purchasing Department. Failure to file a formal written protest within the time period specified shall constitute a waiver of the right to protest and result in relinquishment of all rights to protest by the bidder or proposer.
- (d) *Sole Remedy.* These procedures shall be the sole remedy for challenging the content of the bid or proposal package or the recommended award.
- (e) *Lobbying.* Protestors and anyone acting on their behalf, are prohibited from attempts to influence, persuade, or promote a bid or proposal protest through any other channels or means, and contacting any County official, employee, advisory board member, or representative to discuss any matter relating in any way to the solicitation being protested, other than the Purchasing Department's or county attorney's office to address situations such as clarification and/or pose questions related to the procurement process. The prohibitions provided for herein shall begin with the filing of the protest and end upon the final disposition of the protest; provided, however, at all times protestors shall be subject to the procurement lobbying prohibitions in section 2-189 of this Code. Failure to adhere to the prohibitions herein shall result in the rejection of the protest without further consideration.
- (f) *Time Limits.* The time limits in which protests must be filed as specified herein may be altered by specific provisions in the bid or proposal.
- (g) *Authority to Resolve.* The Director shall resolve the protest in accordance with the documentation and applicable legal authorities and shall issue a written decision to the protestor no later than 5:00 p.m. EST on the tenth full Business Day after the filing thereof.
- (h) *Review of Director's Decision.*
- (1) The protesting party may request a review of the Director's decision to the county administrator by delivering written request for review of the decision to the Director by 5:00 p.m. EST on the fifth full Business Day after the date of the written decision. The written notice shall include any materials, statements, and arguments which the bidder or proposer deems relevant to the issues raised in the request to review the decision of the Director.
 - (2) The county administrator shall issue a decision in writing stating the reason for the action with a copy furnished to the protesting party no later than 5:00 p.m. EST on the seventh full Business Day after receipt of the request for review. The decision shall be final and conclusive as to the County unless a party commences action in a court of competent jurisdiction.
- (i) *Stay of Procurement During Protests.* There shall be no stay of procurement during protests.

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45. **DISPUTE RESOLUTION FOR PINELLAS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS IN MATTERS OF INVOICE PAYMENTS:**

Payment of invoices for work performed for Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners (County) is made, by standard, in arrears in accordance with Section 218.70, et. seq., Florida Statutes, the Local Government Prompt Payment Act.

If a dispute should arise as a result of non-payment of a payment request or invoice the following Dispute Resolution process shall apply:

- A. Pinellas County shall notify a vendor in writing within ten (10) days after receipt of an improper invoice, that the invoice is improper. The notice should indicate what steps the vendor should undertake to correct the invoice and resubmit a proper invoice to the County. The steps taken by the vendor shall be that of initially contacting the requesting department to validate their invoice and receive a sign off from that entity that would indicate that the invoice in question is in keeping with the terms and conditions of the agreement. Once sign off is obtained, the vendor should then resubmit the invoice as a "Corrected Invoice" to the requesting department which will initiate the payment timeline.
- 1 Requesting department for this purpose is defined as the County department for whom the work is performed.
 - 2 Proper invoices for this purpose is defined as an invoice submitted for work performed that meets prior agreed upon terms or conditions to the satisfaction of Pinellas County.
- B. Should a dispute result between the vendor and the County about payment of a payment request or an invoice then the vendor should submit their dissatisfaction in writing to the Requesting Department. Each Requesting Department shall assign a representative who shall act as a "Dispute Manager" to resolve the issue at departmental level.
- C. The Dispute Manager shall first initiate procedures to investigate the dispute and document the steps taken to resolve the issue in accordance with section 218.76 Florida Statutes. Such procedures shall be commenced no later than forty-five (45) days after the date on which the payment request or invoice was received by Pinellas County, and shall not extend beyond sixty (60) days after the date on which the payment request or invoice was received by Pinellas County.
- D. The Dispute Manager should investigate and ascertain that the work, for which the payment request or invoice has been submitted, was performed to Pinellas County's satisfaction and duly accepted by the Proper Authority. Proper Authority for this purpose is defined as the Pinellas County representative who is designated as the approving authority for the work performed in the contractual document. The Dispute Manager shall perform the required investigation and arrive at a solution before or at the sixty (60) days' timeframe for resolution of the dispute, per section 218.76, Florida Statutes. The County Administrator or his or her designee shall be the final arbiter in resolving the issue before it becomes a legal matter. The County Administrator or his or her designee will issue their decision in writing.
- E. Pinellas County Dispute Resolution Procedures shall not be subject to Chapter 120 of the Florida Statutes. The procedures shall also, per section 218.76, Florida Statutes, not be intended as an administrative proceeding which would prohibit a court from ruling again on any action resulting from the dispute.
- F. Should the dispute be resolved in the County's favor interest charges begin to accrue fifteen (15) days after the final decision made by the County. Should the dispute be resolved in the vendor's favor the County shall pay interest as of the original date the payment was due.
- G. For any legal action to recover any fees due because of the application of sections 218.70 et. seq., Florida Statutes, an award shall be made to cover court costs and reasonable attorney fees, including those fees incurred as a result of an appeal, to the prevailing party. If it is found that the non-prevailing party held back any payment that was the reason for the dispute without having any reasonable lawful basis or fact to dispute the prevailing party's claim to those amounts.

SECTION A - GENERAL CONDITIONS**46. PUBLIC RECORDS – CONTRACTOR’S DUTY**

If the Contractor has questions regarding the application of Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, to the Contractor’s duty to provide public records relating to this contract, contact the Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners, Purchasing Department, Operations Manager custodian of public records at 727-464-3311, purchase@pinellascounty.org, Pinellas County Government, Purchasing Department, Operations Manager, 400 S. Ft. Harrison Ave, 6th Floor, Clearwater, FL 33756.

SECTION B - SPECIAL CONDITIONS

Bid Title: Ferric Sulfate – Industrial Water Treatment Facility**Bid Number: 21-0207-B AJM**

1. **INTENT:** In accordance with attached specifications, it is the intent of Pinellas County to establish a contract for Ferric Sulfate, as and when required.
2. **QUANTITIES:** Quantities stated are an estimate only and no guarantee is given or implied as to quantities that will be used during the contract period. Estimated quantities are based upon previous use and/or anticipated needs.
3. **PRICING/PERIOD OF CONTRACT:** Duration of the contract shall be for a period of sixty (60) months from the date of contract award with unit prices adjustable at twelve (12) months after the date of award and thereafter annually for the life of the contract, in an amount not to exceed the average of the Producer Price Index (PPI) for all other chemical product & preparation mfg, not seasonally adjusted; Series Id: PCU32599-32599-, base date 200312, for the twelve (12) months prior.
4. **TERM EXTENSIONS:** The contract may be extended subject to written notice of agreement from the County and successful bidder, for an additional twenty-four (24) month period beyond the primary contract period. The extension shall be exercised only if all terms and conditions remain the same and the County Administrator or Director of Purchasing grants approval.

It is the vendor's responsibility to request any pricing adjustment under this provision. For any adjustment to commence annually, the vendor's request for adjustment should be submitted four (4) months prior to contract anniversary date. The vendor adjustment request should not be in excess of the relevant pricing index change. If no adjustment request is received from the vendor, the County will assume the vendor has agreed to continue without a pricing adjustment. Any adjustment request received after the annual contract anniversary date may not be considered. The extension shall be exercised only if all terms and conditions remain the same and the County Administrator or Director of Purchasing grants approval.

5. **PURCHASES AT LOWER PRICING:**
If an item is found during the course of the contract at a lower price than that awarded by the bid, then the bidder shall extend the lower pricing to the County or the County may purchase that item for the lower price from another provider. The County will provide proof that the lower price is offered by another provider. If the successful contractor(s) lowers their pricing during the term of the contract, the successful contractor(s) shall automatically furnish the lower price to the County without prompting.
6. **PRE-COMMENCEMENT MEETING:**
Upon award of bid, the County will coordinate a pre-commencement meeting with the successful Contractor. The meeting will require Contractor and the County Representative to review specific contract details and deliverable documents at this meeting to ensure the scope of work and work areas are understood.
 - **BREACH OF CONTRACT:** Failure of Contractor to perform any of the services required by this contract within ten (10) days of receipt of written demand for performance from the County shall constitute breach of contract.
 - **PERMITS, FEES AND COSTS IMPOSED BY PINELLAS COUNTY TO BE OBTAINED BY AND/OR BORNE BY CONTRACTOR:** The Contractor is responsible for (1) determining and paying any fees that may be necessary to perform this contract and (2) determining and acquiring any and all permits and licenses required by any Federal, State or local government entity, agency or board that may be necessary to perform this contract. The Contractor shall maintain any and all permits and licenses required to complete this contract.

SECTION B - SPECIAL CONDITIONS

- **WORKSITE SANITATION:** At the end of each workday, the contractor shall remove from the premises the daily accumulation of waste materials or rubbish caused by his operations. Safety hazards will be immediately corrected by the contractor. The contractor is also responsible for ensuring that any subcontractor hired by him or his subcontractors totally cleanup the worksite at the completion of the work. If the contractor fails to clean up at the completion of the work, the County may do so and deduct the cost of such cleanup from the contractor's most current invoice. The contractor will not be responsible for cleaning up debris left by the County's employees, the public utilizing other areas in the vicinity of the worksite or left by other contractors.
- **SUBMISSION OF BIDS:**
The preferred method is PDF conversion from your source files (to minimize file size and maximize quality and accessibility) rather than scanning.

Instructions for Providing Files in PDF Format to Pinellas County Government**A. How do I convert my files to PDF format?**

Answer- If you have a program such as Adobe Acrobat, creating a PDF of any file is a simple print function. Rather than printing to a traditional printer, the file converts to a PDF format copy of your original. Any program (such as Word, PowerPoint, Excel, etc.) can be converted this way by simply selecting the print command and choosing PDF as the printer.

B. Should I scan everything and save as PDF?

Answer- Not unless you are scanning with OCR (optical character recognition). Scanning will create unnecessarily large files because a scan is just a picture of a page rather than actual page text. Furthermore, the result of scanning is that your pages will not look nearly as "clean" or professional as simply using the print to PDF method from the program from which the file originates. Additionally, since scan pages are pictures of text, not really text, they may not be considered accessible* under Federal ADA guidelines (*unless the scans are OCR.)

SECTION C – INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

The recommended vendor must provide a certificate of insurance and endorsement in accordance with the insurance requirements listed below, prior to award of contract. Failure to provide the required insurance within the requested timeframe may result in your bid submittal deemed non-responsive.

The Contracted vendor shall obtain and maintain, and require any sub-contractors to obtain and maintain, at all times during its performance of the Agreement, insurance of the types and in the amounts set forth. For projects with a Completed Operations exposure, Contractor shall maintain coverage and provide evidence of insurance for two (2) years beyond final acceptance. All insurance policies shall be from responsible companies duly authorized to do business in the State of Florida and have an AM Best rating of A- VIII or better.

- a) Bid submittals should include, the Bidder's current Certificate(s) of Insurance in accordance with the insurance requirements listed below. If Bidder does not currently meet insurance requirements, bidder shall also include verification from their broker or agent that any required insurance not provided at that time of submittal will be in place prior to the award of contract.
- b) Bidder shall email certificate that is compliant with the insurance requirements to Alex Meloy almeloy@pinellascounty.org. If certificate received with bid was a compliant certificate no further action may be necessary. The Certificate(s) of Insurance shall be signed by authorized representatives of the insurance companies shown on the Certificate(s). **A copy of the endorsement(s) referenced in paragraph d) for Additional Insured shall be attached to the certificate(s) referenced in this paragraph.** The certificate must name Pinellas County, a Political Subdivision of the State of Florida **400 S fort Harrison Avenue Clearwater, FL 33756**, as certificate holder. Certificate marked "Sample", or blank certificate holder information are not compliant.
- c) Approval by the County of any Certificate(s) of Insurance does not constitute verification by the County that the insurance requirements have been satisfied or that the insurance policy shown on the Certificate(s) of Insurance is in compliance with the requirements of the Agreement. County reserves the right to require a certified copy of the entire insurance policy, including endorsement(s), at any time during the Bid and/or contract period.
- d) All policies providing liability coverage(s), other than professional liability and workers compensation policies, obtained by the Bidder and any subcontractors to meet the requirements of the Agreement shall be endorsed to include **Pinellas County a Political subdivision of the State of Florida** as an Additional Insured.
- e) If any insurance provided pursuant to the Agreement expires or cancels prior to the completion of the Work, you will be notified by CTrax, the authorized vendor of Pinellas County. Upon notification, renewal Certificate(s) of Insurance and endorsement(s) shall be furnished to Pinellas County Risk Management at InsuranceCerts@pinellascounty.org and to CTrax c/o JDi Data at PinellasSupport@ididata.com by the Bidder or their agent prior to the expiration date.
 - (1) Bidder shall also notify County within twenty-four (24) hours after receipt, of any notices of expiration, cancellation, nonrenewal or adverse material change in coverage received by said Bidder from its insurer Notice shall be given by email to Pinellas County Risk Management at InsuranceCerts@pinellascounty.org. Nothing contained herein shall absolve Bidder of this requirement to provide notice.
 - (2) Should the Bidder, at any time, not maintain the insurance coverages required herein, the County may terminate the Agreement, or at its sole discretion may purchase such coverages necessary for the protection of the County and charge the Bidder for such purchase or offset the cost against amounts due to bidder for services completed. The County shall be under no obligation to purchase such insurance, nor shall it be responsible for the coverages purchased or the insurance company or companies used. The decision of the County to purchase such insurance shall in no way be construed to be a waiver of any of its rights under the Agreement.
- f) The County reserves the right, but not the duty, to review and request a copy of the Contractor's most recent annual report or audited financial statement when a self-insured retention (SIR) or deductible exceeds \$50,000.

SECTION C – INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

- g) If subcontracting is allowed under this Bid, the Prime Bidder shall obtain and maintain, at all times during its performance of the Agreement, insurance of the types and in the amounts set forth; and require any subcontractors to obtain and maintain, at all times during its performance of the Agreement, insurance limits as it may apply to the portion of the Work performed by the subcontractor; *but in no event will the insurance limits be less than \$500,000 for Workers' Compensation/Employers' Liability, and \$1,000,000 for General Liability and Auto Liability if required below.*
- (1) All subcontracts between Bidder and its subcontractors shall be in writing and are subject to the County's prior written approval. Further, all subcontracts shall (1) require each subcontractor to be bound to Bidder to the same extent Bidder is bound to the County by the terms of the Contract Documents, as those terms may apply to the portion of the Work to be performed by the subcontractor; (2) provide for the assignment of the subcontracts from Bidder to the County at the election of Owner upon termination of the Contract; (3) provide that County will be an additional indemnified party of the subcontract; (4) provide that the County will be an additional insured on all insurance policies required to be provided by the subcontractor except workers compensation and professional liability; (5) provide waiver of subrogation in favor of the County and other insurance terms and/or conditions as outlined below; (6) assign all warranties directly to the County; and (7) identify the County as an intended third-party beneficiary of the subcontract. Bidder shall make available to each proposed subcontractor, prior to the execution of the subcontract, copies of the Contract Documents to which the subcontractor will be bound by this Section C and identify to the subcontractor any terms and conditions of the proposed subcontract which may be at variance with the Contract Documents.
- h) Each insurance policy and/or certificate shall include the following terms and/or conditions:
- (1) The Named Insured on the Certificate of Insurance and insurance policy must match the entity's name that responded to the solicitation and/or is signing the agreement with the County. If Bidder is a Joint Venture per Section A. titled Joint Venture of this Bid, Certificate of Insurance and Named Insured must show Joint Venture Legal Entity name and the Joint Venture must comply with the requirements of Section C with regard to limits, terms and conditions, including completed operations coverage.
- (2) Companies issuing the insurance policy, or policies, shall have no recourse against County for payment of premiums or assessments for any deductibles which all are at the sole responsibility and risk of Contractor.
- (3) The term "County" or "Pinellas County" shall include all Authorities, Boards, Bureaus, Commissions, Divisions, Departments and Constitutional offices of County and individual members, employees thereof in their official capacities, and/or while acting on behalf of Pinellas County.
- (4) The policy clause "Other Insurance" shall not apply to any insurance coverage currently held by County or any such future coverage, or to County's Self-Insured Retentions of whatever nature.
- (5) All policies shall be written on a primary, non-contributory basis.
- (6) Any Certificate(s) of Insurance evidencing coverage provided by a leasing company for either workers compensation or commercial general liability shall have a list of covered employees certified by the leasing company attached to the Certificate(s) of Insurance. The County shall have the right, but not the obligation to determine that the Bidder is only using employees named on such list to perform work for the County. Should employees not named be utilized by Bidder, the County, at its option may stop work without penalty to the County until proof of coverage or removal of the employee by the contractor occurs, or alternatively find the Bidder to be in default and take such other protective measures as necessary.

Insurance policies, other than Professional Liability, shall include waivers of subrogation in favor of Pinellas County from both the Bidder and subcontractor(s).

SECTION C – INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

- i) The minimum insurance requirements and limits for this Agreement, which shall remain in effect throughout its duration and for two (2) years beyond final acceptance for projects with a Completed Operations exposure, are as follows:

(1) Workers' Compensation Insurance

Limit Florida Statutory

Employers' Liability Limits

Per Employee	\$ 500,000
Per Employee Disease	\$ 500,000
Policy Limit Disease	\$ 500,000

- (2) Commercial General Liability Insurance including, but not limited to, Independent Contractor, Contractual Liability Premises/Operations, Products/Completed Operations, and Personal Injury.

Limits

Combined Single Limit Per Occurrence	\$ 1,000,000
Products/Completed Operations Aggregate	\$ 2,000,000
Personal Injury and Advertising Injury	\$ 1,000,000
General Aggregate	\$ 2,000,000

- (3) Business Automobile or Trucker's/Garage Liability Insurance covering owned, hired, and non-owned vehicles. If the Bidder does not own any vehicles, then evidence of Hired and Non-owned coverage is sufficient. Coverage shall be on an "occurrence" basis, such insurance to include coverage for loading and unloading hazards, unless Bidder can show that this coverage exists under the Commercial General Liability policy.

Limit

Combined Single Limit Per Accident	\$ 1,000,000
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- (4) Excess or Umbrella Liability Insurance excess of the primary coverage required, in paragraphs (1), (2), and (3) above:

Limits

Each Occurrence	\$ 2,000,000
General Aggregate	\$ 2,000,000

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(5) Pollution Legal/Environmental Legal Liability Insurance for pollution losses arising from all services performed to comply with this contract. Coverage shall apply to sudden and gradual pollution conditions including the discharge, dispersal, release or escape of smoke, vapors, soot, fumes, acids, alkalis, toxic chemicals, liquids or gases, waste materials or other irritants, contaminants or pollutants into or upon land, the atmosphere or any watercourse or body of water, which results in Bodily Injury or Property Damage. If policy is written on a Claims Made form, a retroactive date is required, and coverage must be maintained for 3 years after completion of contract or “tail coverage must be purchased. Coverage should include and be for the at least the minimum limits listed below:

- 1) Bodily injury, sickness, disease, mental anguish or shock sustained by any person, including death; property damage including physical injury to or destruction of tangible property including the resulting loss of use thereof, cleanup costs, and the loss of use of tangible property that has not been physically injured or destroyed;
- 2) Defense including costs, charges and expenses incurred in the investigation, adjustment or defense of claims for such compensation damages.
- 3) Cost of Cleanup/Remediation.

Limits

Per Claim or Occurrence	\$ 2,000,000
General Aggregate	\$ 2,000,000

For acceptance of Pollution Legal/Environmental Legal Liability coverage included within another policy coverage required herein, a statement notifying the certificate holder must be included on the certificate of insurance and the total amount of said coverage per occurrence must be greater than or equal to the amount of Pollution Legal/Environmental Legal Liability and other coverage combined.

For herbicide and pesticide spraying operations only, an endorsement to the Commercial General Liability policy that provides Pollution Liability coverage for herbicide and pesticide spraying is acceptable.

(6) Property Insurance Bidder will be responsible for all damage to its own property, equipment and/or materials.

SECTION D – VENDOR REFERENCES

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THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS REQUIRED IN ORDER THAT YOUR BID MAY BE REVIEWED AND PROPERLY EVALUATED.

COMPANY NAME: _____

LENGTH OF TIME COMPANY HAS BEEN IN BUSINESS: _____

BUSINESS ADDRESS: _____

HOW LONG IN PRESENT LOCATION: _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER: _____ FAX NUMBER: _____

TOTAL NUMBER OF CURRENT EMPLOYEES: _____ FULL TIME _____ PART TIME

NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES YOU PLAN TO USE TO SERVICE THIS CONTRACT: _____

All references will be contacted by a County Designee via email, fax or phone call to obtain answers to questions, as applicable before an evaluation decision is made.

LOCAL COMMERCIAL AND/OR GOVERNMENTAL REFERENCES THAT YOU HAVE PREVIOUSLY PERFORMED SIMILAR CONTRACT SERVICES FOR:

1. COMPANY: _____

2. COMPANY: _____

ADDRESS: _____

ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE/FAX: _____

TELEPHONE/FAX: _____

CONTACT: _____

CONTACT: _____

CONTACT EMAIL: _____

CONTACT EMAIL: _____

COMPANY EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

COMPANY EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

3. COMPANY: _____

4. COMPANY: _____

ADDRESS: _____

ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE/FAX: _____

TELEPHONE/FAX: _____

CONTACT: _____

CONTACT: _____

CONTACT EMAIL: _____

CONTACT EMAIL: _____

COMPANY EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

COMPANY EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

SECTION E – SPECIFICATIONS

Bid Title: Ferric Sulfate – Industrial Water Treatment Facility
Bid Number: 21-0207-B AJM

A. BACKGROUND

A six (6) month pilot program for ferric sulfate at the industrial water treatment plant to maximize the efficiency of the clarifier tank was approved on May 8, 2020. With the success of the pilot program it is the intent of the Solid Waste Department to continue the ferric sulfate water treatment by establishing a contract for ongoing ferric sulfate water treatment services at the Pinellas County Solid Waste Department Industrial Water Treatment Plant (IWTP).

B. REQUIREMENTS

1. Standard Services Agreement - The awarded contractor will be required to execute the attached standard services agreement. No exceptions to the standard services agreement will be executed.
2. In order to receive bid award consideration, the bidder must be able to demonstrate that they are a prime contractor currently providing or have had at least one contract in the State of Florida, for services similar in size and scope to the requirements listed in this Section.
3. The bidder shall submit a certified company letter from a current or previous customer documenting that they are a prime contractor facilitating similar services and scope of work being provided within the State of Florida with their bid submittal.
4. The bidder shall submit a specification sheet for the product they will be providing with their bid, or prior to an award being made.
5. Submittals shall include the following product data to establish compliance: Literature, brochures and drawings describing equipment in sufficient detail, including cross sections, parts list and materials of construction with ASTM designations or ISO equivalents. Full compliance with detailed specifications of each item of product, equipment and ancillary apparatus to be furnished.
6. Complete operating and maintenance instructions shall be furnished for all equipment included under this Section. Prepare manuals specifically for this installation including required cuts, drawings, equipment lists, and descriptions that are required to instruct operating and maintenance personnel unfamiliar with such equipment. Maintenance instructions shall include trouble shooting data and full preventative maintenance schedules and complete spare parts lists with ordering information prior to an award.

C. SCOPE

To provide liquid Ferric Sulfate to Pinellas County Solid Waste Department (County) at the IWTP located within the Bridgeway Acres landfill site at 3050 110th Ave N, St. Petersburg, FL 33716.

This contract will follow the standards of the American Water Works Association (AWWA) and shall be in effect at the time of award.

- AWWA B406-14 is the standard specifications for Ferric Sulfate.

Liquid Ferric Sulfate - Physical and Chemical Properties:

1. The Liquid Ferric Sulfate supplied shall conform to all applicable AWWA/ANSI standards, latest revisions, including ANSI/AWWA STANDARD B406-20 or the latest revision; "Standard for Ferric Sulfate", including the latest revision; and meets the requirements contained within these specifications.
2. The Liquid Ferric Sulfate supplied shall conform to all applicable AWWA/ANSI standards, latest revisions, including ANSI/AWWA STANDARD B406-20 or the latest revision; "Standard for Ferric Sulfate", including the latest revision; and meets the requirements contained within these specifications.
3. The Liquid Ferric Sulfate shall be manufactured from a source of virgin mined iron ore; i.e., magnetite, hematite, etc. and a "water white" grade of sulfuric acid. Liquid Ferric Sulfate produced from non-virgin ores will not be acceptable. The use of reclaimed materials to produce the Liquid Ferric Sulfate material is expressly prohibited under this specification.
4. The Liquid Ferric Sulfate shall be free from extraneous material and shall be transported and delivered at such concentration and temperature that no freezing occurs. The liquid shall be suitable for feeding by means of metering pumps or other metering devices constructed of corrosion-resistant materials.

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5. The Liquid Ferric Sulfate shall have the following chemical properties by weight:

- i. Ferric Iron 10 % to 14 %
- ii. Ferrous Iron 0.5 % max for 10% Ferric Iron to 0.7% for 14% Ferric Iron (prorated in between).
- iii. Free Acid (as % H₂SO₄) 3.5 % max.
- iv. % Insoluble: 0.1% max.
- v. Freezing Point: below -18° Celsius/-0.4° Fahrenheit

The liquid ferric sulfate shall not contain specific impurities in excess of the following limits (by weight):

Arsenic	1	mg/kg	Copper	10	mg/kg
Cadmium	0.5	mg/kg	Zinc	15	mg/kg
Chromium	5	mg/kg	Manganese	120	mg/kg
Lead	1.0	mg/kg	Barium	6	mg/kg
Selenium	3	mg/kg	Chloride	100	mg/kg
Silver	5	mg/kg	Fluoride	60	mg/kg
Nitrites (AS N)	75	mg/kg	Nitrates (AS N)	150	mg/kg
Total Organic Carbon	20	mg/kg	Sodium	1000	mg/kg
Nickel	40	mg/kg	Molybdenum	15	mg/kg
Beryllium	1.0	mg/kg	Antimony	1.0	mg/kg
Thallium	10.0	mg/kg	Cyanide	1.0	mg/kg
Total Nitrate and Nitrite (AS N)				150	mg/kg

The Liquid Ferric Sulfate material, as supplied under this bid, shall not contain any impurities in sufficient quantities which causes or may cause a violation of any current, existing maximum contaminant level (MCL) or any newly regulated MCL which may be passed into law during the life of this contract. Should an MCL violation be determined to be directly attributable to the Liquid Ferric Sulfate material supplied for use, the CONTRACTOR shall immediately take the necessary steps to remove or reduce the contaminant levels of its material to levels satisfactory to COUNTY and CONTRACTOR. COUNTY and CONTRACTOR reserve the right to add or delete specific impurity listings and maximum impurity levels to the existing listing, as is required to meet all USEPA, SDWA, and FDER water quality standards. The CONTRACTOR shall comply with any and all such changes required to its Liquid Ferric Sulfate material, by whatever process changes required, at no additional cost to COUNTY.

CONTRACTOR shall supply an affidavit, signed by a corporate official, certifying that the Liquid Ferric Sulfate furnished by the CONTRACTOR at the time of container loading, complies with all applicable requirements of this specification and ANSI/AWWA Standard B406, latest revision. The CONTRACTOR shall supply the affidavit upon the request of COUNTY in the time, frequency and manner specified by COUNTY. At least one (1) certified analysis, conducted by an independent, certified laboratory recognized by the State of Florida, shall be conducted twice annually during the bid contract time period, for each listed contaminant under this specification for the Liquid Ferric Sulfate, and supplied to COUNTY within thirty (30) days of such analysis.

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It shall be the CONTRACTOR's responsibility to provide a Material Compliance Certificate of Analysis for each lot shipped to Pinellas County under this contract. The Certified Analysis shall be signed by a Corporate Officer or authorized representative of the corporation and specify: % total iron, % ferric iron, % ferrous iron, % free sulfuric acid, and liquid specific gravity. The Certificate of Compliance shall be in the possession of supplier at the time of delivery. Obtain certified statement of approval of installation from supplier prior to energizing system. Supplier's or manufacturer's servicemen may energize system for purposes of checkout.

Delivery of Liquid Ferric Sulfate shall be made at the IWTP, located within the Bridgeway Acres landfill site at 3050 110th Ave N, St. Petersburg, FL 33716.

Shipment of Liquid Ferric Sulfate shall conform to all current regulations of the State of Florida, the United States Department of Transportation or other applicable regulatory agencies.

Before unloading each Liquid Ferric Sulfate delivery, CONTRACTOR will conduct a specific gravity test. It shall be the responsibility of the material transporter to provide a proper sample of the Liquid Ferric Sulfate being delivered for analysis. The Liquid Ferric Sulfate sample shall be prepared in accordance with AWWA B406-14 or the latest revision. Each sample shall be labeled to identify its content, and the label shall be signed by the person actually collecting the sample.

Delivery Schedule and Special Conditions:

1. All deliveries of Liquid Ferric Sulfate shall be freight prepaid, F.O.B. to PINELLAS COUNTY at the IWTP, 3050 110th Ave N., St. Petersburg, FL 33716.
2. Delivery time of day shall be as arranged upon placement of order and shall be between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. EST unless otherwise agreed to by both parties. Requests to deviate from schedule must be confirmed with CONTRACTOR/ COUNTY 24 hours prior to scheduled delivery and must conform to delivery conditions set forth in this specification.
3. COUNTY reserves the right to change quantities and delivery dates at their discretion with a 24-hour notice.
4. The CONTRACTOR shall supply all necessary connectors and hoses required to off load the Liquid Ferric Sulfate shipment into the storage tanks.
5. CONTRACTOR must provide a receipt with the exact quantity of Ferric Sulfate delivered at the time of the delivery.
6. All deliveries of Ferric Sulfate shall be made to COUNTY within two (2) days after receipt to order

Safety Training and Certifications:

1. NSF Certification Requirement
 - i. The CONTRACTOR shall provide proof that the Liquid Ferric Sulfate to be provided is approved for potable water treatment and meets the National Sanitation Foundation Standard 60 at a maximum usage level of 400 mg/l or greater.
2. Occupational Health and Safety

In compliance with Chapter 442, Florida Statutes, any items delivered from a Contractor shall be accompanied by a Safety Data Sheet (SDS). The SDS must be maintained by the user agency and must include the following information:

 - i. The Chemical name and the common name of the toxic substance. The hazards or other risks in the use of the toxic substance, including:
 - a. The potential for fire, explosion, corrosivity, and reactivity;
 - b. The known acute and chronic health effects of risks from exposure, including the medical conditions which are generally recognized as being aggravated by exposure to the toxic substance; and
 - c. The primary routes of entry and symptoms of overexposure.
 - d. The proper precautions, handling practices, necessary personnel protective equipment, and other safety precautions in the use of, or exposure to, the toxic substances, including appropriate emergency treatment in the case of overexposure.
 - e. The emergency procedure for spills, fire, disposal, and first aid.
 - f. A description, in lay terms, of the known specific potential health risks posed by the toxic substance intended to alert any person reading this information.
 - g. The year and month, if available, that the information was compiled and the name, address, and emergency telephone number of the manufacturer responsible for preparing the information.

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Any questions regarding this requirement should be directed to:

Department of Labor and Employment Security Bureau of Industrial Safety and Health
Toxic Waste Information Center
2551 Executive Center Circle West
Tallahassee, Florida 32301-5014
Phone: 800/367-4378

Safety Provisions:

1. All Shippers and vendors shall provide Pinellas County with a summary of the actions taken to reduce the possibility of criminal activity during packaging and shipment of products and materials to our facilities.
2. All vendors (and their transportation companies) shall send a list of names of representatives and delivery personnel that are authorized to enter our facilities on their behalf. This list will be kept current with any personnel changes being reflected on the list.
3. All delivery personnel must have a photo ID and appropriate company identification.
4. All vendors and delivery personnel must sign in and out of County facilities. The purpose of their visit will be verified and validated by County personnel.
5. Chemical deliveries will strictly follow County bulk off-loading policy and procedure where applicable.
6. No unscheduled or after-hours deliveries will be accepted without written permission from County.
7. All deliveries must be made through the main entrance OR through County designated corridors/entrance.

Emergency Plan of Action:

Within 30 days of award and acceptance of the contract, the CONTRACTOR shall provide, in writing, an emergency contingency plan, with appropriate telephone contacts, for COUNTY to follow in case of an emergency supply of Liquid Ferric Sulfate is needed. The CONTRACTOR shall supply, in writing, an emergency spill response plan with the appropriate emergency response personnel names and telephone contact numbers (24-hour contact numbers) within 30 days of award and acceptance of contract. In addition, the proper spill response notification procedure, along with any forms required by all local, state or federal regulatory agencies, shall be supplied by CONTRACTOR. This section in no way relieves the CONTRACTOR of his responsibility to notify the proper regulatory agencies of a spill incident. In the event of a spill or leak, the CONTRACTOR shall supply the necessary personnel to respond to such an event, to work with the local Hazardous Materials Response Team and to manage and oversee "After Event" cleanup efforts. Should a spill or leak occur, caused by CONTRACTOR'S personnel, equipment or method of delivery, CONTRACTOR shall immediately comply with all applicable terms and conditions of the current version of Title III, Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986, 42 U.S.C.S. 11001, et seq. (SARA) and the Florida Hazardous Materials Emergency Response and Community Right-to-Know Act of 1988, Ch 252, Part II, Florida Statutes. The responsibility for compliance with Federal and State Rules and Regulations regarding CONTRACTOR caused spills or releases shall be the sole responsibility of the CONTRACTOR. The CONTRACTOR shall hold COUNTY harmless for any failure to properly report and/or comply with this provision.

D. DELIVERABLES

The CONTRACTOR shall provide an appropriate safe handling training course for Liquid Ferric Sulfate within the first month of the contract, to all current COUNTY operations personnel and shall be available to conduct "refresher" courses or new employee training at six (6) month intervals during the contract period.

The CONTRACTOR shall provide technical assistance, as needed, regarding the application of its product and disposal and handling of the residues and sludges produced by the application of Liquid Ferric Sulfate in the water treatment process. The CONTRACTOR shall provide this assistance at no charge to COUNTY.

SECTION F – BID SUMMARY

Bid Title: Ferric Sulfate – Industrial Water Treatment Facility

Bid Number: 21-0207-B AJM

PLEASE SEE ATTACHED EXCEL SPREADSHEET FOR BID SUBMITTAL

DELIVERY _____ DAYS AFTER RECEIPT OF ORDER

BID SUBMITTAL CHECKLIST	INITIALS
Page one (1): Bid Signature page	
Section D: Vendor References	
Section E - page 21: The bidder shall submit a certified company letter from a current or previous customer documenting that they are a prime contractor facilitating similar services and scope of work being provided within the State of Florida with their bid submittal.	
Section E: page 21 - Submittals shall include the following product data to establish compliance: Literature, brochures and drawings describing equipment in sufficient detail, including cross sections, parts list and materials of construction with ASTM designations or ISO equivalents. full compliance with detailed specifications of each item of product, equipment and ancillary apparatus to be furnished.	
Section F: Bid Summary	
Section F: e-Payables	
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Section G: Addenda Acknowledgement Form	
Section H: Statement of No-Bid (if necessary)	

An award may not be issued without proof that your firm is registered with the Florida Division of Corporations, as per Florida Statute §607.1501 (<http://www.flsenate.gov/Laws/Statutes/2011/607.1501>).

A foreign corporation (foreign to the State of Florida) may not transact business in this state until it obtains a certificate of authority from the Department of State. Please visit www.sunbiz.org for this information on how to become registered.

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Electronic Payment (ePayables)

The Board of County Commissioners (County) is offering faster payments. The County would prefer to make payment using credit card through the ePayables system. See Section A, number 27.

Would your company accept to participate in the ePayables credit card program?

Yes

No

For more information about ePayables credit card program please visit Purchasing Department website www.pinellascounty.org/purchase.

Company Name

Signature

Printed Signature

Phone Number

W-9 REQUEST FOR TAXPAYER ID NUMBER AND CERTIFICATION

Substitute Form **W-9**

Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

Give form to the requester. Do not send to the IRS.

Print or type See Specific Instructions on page 2.	Name (as shown on your income tax return)		
	Business name, if different from above		
	Check appropriate box: <input type="checkbox"/> Individual/Sole proprietor <input type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership <input type="checkbox"/> Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (D=disregarded entity, C=corporation, P=partnership) ▶	<input type="checkbox"/> Exempt payee	
	Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.)	Requester's name and address (optional)	
	City, state, and ZIP code		
List account number(s) here (optional)			

Part I Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on Line 1 to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the Part I instructions on page 3. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see *How to get a TIN* on page 3.

Social security number
or
Employer identification number

Note. If the account is in more than one name, see the chart on page 4 for guidelines on whose number to enter.

Part II Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

- 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
- 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
- I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined in the instructions).

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 on page 4.

Sign Here	Signature of U.S. person ▶	Date ▶
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***Instructions to Form W-9 available upon request.**

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Section 119.071(5), Florida Statutes Notice:

Your Tax Identification Number (which for individuals is your social security number) is collected on Form W9 for use in filing information returns with the IRS as described more fully below. Collection of the tax identification number (or social security number as applicable) is mandatory pursuant to Section 6109 of the Internal Revenue Code (26 U.S.C § 6109).

Privacy Act Notice:

Section 6109 of the Internal Revenue Code requires you to provide your correct TIN to persons who must file information returns with the IRS to report interest, dividends, and certain other income paid to you, mortgage interest you paid, the acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, or contributions you made to an IRA, or Archer MSA or HSA. The IRS uses the numbers for identification purposes and to help verify the accuracy of your tax return. The IRS may also provide this information to the Department of Justice for civil and criminal litigation, and to cities, states, the District of Columbia, and U.S. possessions to carry out their tax laws. We may also disclose this information to other countries under a tax treaty, to federal and state agencies to enforce federal nontax 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. Payers must generally withhold 28% of taxable interest, dividend, and certain other payments to a payee who does not give a TIN to a payer. Certain penalties may also apply.

SECTION G - ADDENDA ACKNOWLEDGMENT FORM

**Bid Title: Ferric Sulfate - Industrial Water Treatment Facility
Bid No: 21-0207-B AJM**

PLEASE ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF ADDENDA FOR THIS ITB/RFP BY SIGNING AND DATING BELOW:

ADDENDUM NO.

SIGNATURE/PRINTED NAME

DATE RECEIVED

Note: Prior to submitting the response to this solicitation, it is the responsibility of the firm submitting a response to confirm if any addenda have been issued. If such document(s) has been issued, acknowledge receipt by signature and date in section above. Failure to do so may result in being considered non-responsive or result in lowering the rating of a firm’s proposal.

Information regarding Addenda issued is available on the Purchasing Department’s website at, www.pinellascounty.org/purchase/Current_Bids1.htm , listed under category ‘Current Bids’.

SECTION H - STATEMENT OF NO BID

NOTE: If you do not intend to bid on this requirement, please complete this form. **Thank you.**

We, the undersigned have declined to submit a bid for No. 21-0207-B AJM for Ferric Sulfate - Industrial Water Treatment Facility

- Specifications too "tight", i.e., geared toward one brand or manufacturer only (explain below).
- Insufficient time to respond to the Invitation to Bid.
- We do not offer this product or service.
- Our schedule would not permit us to perform.
- Unable to meet specifications.
- Unable to meet Bond requirement.
- Specifications unclear (explain below).
- Unable to Meet Insurance Requirements.
- Remove Us from Your "Notification List" Altogether
- Other (specify below).

REMARKS:

We understand that if the "No Bid" letter is not executed and returned our name may be deleted from the Bidders List of Pinellas County.

COMPANY NAME: _____

DATE: _____

SIGNATURE: _____

TYPED NAME OF ABOVE: _____

TELEPHONE: _____

FAX: _____

EMAIL: _____