



**Invitation to Bid (ITB) #2503
Augusta County Collection System Rehabilitation
Addendum #1 and Acknowledgement**

To: Prospective Bidders
From: Jesse Roach, Augusta Water
Date: 11/14/24

As a reminder, all bids over \$500,000 must include a bid bond. Failure to include a bid bond will result in disqualification.

Augusta Water received the following questions from bidders. The answer to each question is provided below.

1. Does the County currently have right-a-ways/access agreements/easements to the lines not in the road ways, or will those be obtained in the future.
 - a. Yes, we have access agreements to the lines.
2. Is there any road prep or tree removal expected to access manholes in fields?
 - a. Augusta Water does not anticipate any road prep needed; however, some sections may need to be coordinated depending on the weather at the time.
 - b. Tree removal is not expected.
3. Does the bidder have to communicate with the land owners for access?
 - a. Yes, bidder must develop a communication method with property owners (flyers, door hangers, etc.). However, access through farm fields will be coordinated by Augusta Water.
4. Is there a bid bond form that Augusta Water requires or is the generic bid bond acceptable?
 - a. The generic bid bond form is acceptable as long as Augusta Water is listed on it.
5. Has the county done CCTV inspections on these lines recently, to verify line obstructions, laterals, etc., if so, how will protruding taps if exist be handled, is that considered a line obstruction and will be discussed as to a price by Bidder to remove or the Owner will take care of tap?
 - a. All lines have recently been inspected via CCTV. We don't anticipate any protruding taps. However, if one is encountered we will get a price from the low bidder to repair and then make the decision to repair it ourselves or not.

6. Is the Performance Work Statement (PWS) including PE stamped designs, etc. to be submitted at the time of bid or would that be required of the chosen bidder as a condition of award? The PWS as outlined and the required PE stamped design calculations would be a very big burden and expense to undertake to submit a bid.
 - a. We only require the apparent low bidder to submit all of the required submittals.
7. Is there an Engineer's estimate or budget amount?
 - a. No Engineer's estimate but Augusta Water has \$700,000 budgeted.
8. Will any retainage be withheld during this project?
 - a. There is no direct retainage listed. However, we do require As-Built information listed in Section 1.8. We can partially pay for work completed but we will not pay fully until all of the As-Built information is provided. Typically, we will withhold 5% for this information.
9. The project specifications mention a warranty inspection. Who is responsible for performing the 1-year post warranty CCTV inspection, contractor or owner? Does the owner intend to warranty CCTV all CIPP lined pipes?
 - a. The owner will be responsible for the 1-year warranty inspection.
10. The specifications state "If any of the service connections leak water between the host pipe and the installed liner, the connection mainline interface shall be sealed to provide a water tight connection". Mainline CIPP does not create a watertight seal at the mainline-lateral interface. This would require either lateral grouting or CIPP lateral lining. Does the owner intend for the laterals to be rehabilitated on this project? If so, would the owner consider adding a separate bid item for this work?
 - a. No separate bid item is needed. Any leaks of this nature should be brought to our attention.
11. Confirm air testing?
 - a. Pressure test is required.
12. Are permanent materials to be considered sales tax exempt for this project?
 - a. No.
13. MH rehab 1.4 Inflow Control A) Frame-Chimney Seal: See Attachment E for Specs, attachment E is Qualifications and References for contractor, can you include the specs for Seals in addendum.
 - a. No Frame-Chimney seals are required for this project. The cementitious spray should overlap the frame.
14. Will the county allow dumping of debris/roots/sediment from lines at county facilities (landfill, drying bed, etc.)?
 - a. Yes, at 848 Laurel Hill Road, Verona.
15. Can you provide bid tabs from previous ITB that are similar to this one, I know there was one in the Verona area a couple years ago?
 - a. See www.augustawater.com/bids - ITB 2309

16. CIPP Section 3.1A states “All debris and obstructions, that will affect the installation and the final CIPP product delivery to the OWNER, shall be removed and disposed of”; what is the definition of obstructions, are intruding laterals or broken pipe considered, basically how do we determine if it needs a point repair or something we can do internally.
- a. See question 5 for protruding tap. Augusta Water doesn’t anticipate any obstructions other than normal sewer waste and minor tree roots.
17. Do you have any recent CCTV of these lines that you could share or share the reports from?
- a. Please contact Casey McCracken for CCTV inspections - cmccracken@augustawater.com

Please note, the bid opening time has been changed from 2:00 pm to 3:30 pm on November 21st, 2024.

Please print all pages of this addendum and sign and date the acknowledgement below indicating that you have received the changes to the specifications and include it with your submittal for your bid to be considered.

I acknowledge receipt of this Document and the Addendum Changes:

Bidder’s Signature

Date

Printed Name