



AGENDA
CC REGULAR CONSENT
COMMISSIONERS' COURT
February 25, 2014
9:30 A.M.

NOTICE is hereby given in accordance with Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, that a SPECIAL MEETING of the Commissioners' Court will be held at the Edinburg Council Chambers 415 W. University Drive, Edinburg, Hidalgo County, Texas. Discussion and possible action relating to the following business will be transacted:

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC
CONSENT AGENDA

The following items are of a routine or administrative nature. The Commissioners' Court has been furnished with background and support on each item, and/or it has been discussed at a previous meeting. All items will be acted upon by one vote without being discussed separately unless requested by a Court Commissioner, in which event the item or items will immediately be withdrawn for individual consideration in its normal sequence after the items not requiring separate discussion have been acted upon. The remaining items will be adopted by one vote.

On motion by COMMISSIONER PCT. 1, A.C. CUELLAR, JR., seconded by COMMISSIONER PCT. 4, JOSEPH PALACIOS, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval for the exception of Items 11.C.2 and 11.K to be pulled for discussion.

Vote: 3 - 0 - Unanimously ✓

1. **Approval of check register and payment of claims and bills** - (Payments from Juvenile Probation, Adult Probation, LEOSE Fund, DA Motor Vehicle Theft Fund, DA Bad Check Processing Fund, DA Forfeiture Fund, Sheriff Forfeiture Funds, Constable Forfeiture Funds, HIDTA Forfeiture Funds and VIT Interest Fund are presented for recording purposes only.)

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2. **2014 Intradepartmental transfers:**

- 0. **AI-43305** 2014 - DBM-Budget Division (1100)
- A. **AI-43306** 2014 - DBM-Health Insurance Division (2201)
- B. **AI-43251** 2014 - 430th District Court (1100)
- C. **AI-43299** 2014 - County Auditor's Office (1100)
- D. **AI-43195** 2014 - Facilities Management (1100)
- E. **AI-43247** 2014 - Pct. #4 CRC (1100)
- F. **AI-43272** 2014 - Pct. #4 Parks (1100)
- G. **AI-43262** 2014 - Pct. #1 R&B (1200)

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Purchasing Dept:

Notes:

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B. ANY AND ALL REQUESTS FOR PAYMENT(S) APPROVED WILL BE SUBJECT TO COUNTY AUDITORS PROCESSING PROCEDURES INCLUDING AUTHORITY FOR COUNTY TREASURER TO ISSUE PAYMENT(S)/CHECK(S).

A. AI-43220 Acceptance and approval for substitution/clarification purposes, the revised "Invoices" noted & detailed below/herein (org. CC action 12-20-13) submitted by Godinez Communications including the revised "Attachment C-Project Work Schedule" of Work Authorization No. 3-PO#669756-Contract #C-11-117-08-02 for: "Professional Consulting Services To Assist, Assess, Review and Facilitate Hidalgo County's revenue and Expenditure Efficiencies In Various Public And Private Sector (including All funding Sources, Programs, and Entities)" so as to permit the Auditor's review and processing procedures for HC Treasurer to issue payment/check:

1. Invoice No. HC-PCT4-001-\$4,675.00-01/04/12 thru 01/31/12
2. Invoice No. HC-PCT4-002-\$3,390.00-02/01/12 thru 02/29/12
3. Invoice No. HC-PCT4-003-\$14,365.00-03/01/12 thru 03/30/12
4. Invoice No. HC-PCT4-004-\$540.00-04/01/12 thru 04/30/12
5. Invoice No. HC-PCT4-005-\$1,195.00-05/01/12 thru 05/31/12
6. Invoice No. HC-PCT4-006-\$1,270.00-06/01/12 thru 06/30/12
7. Invoice No. HC-PCT4-007-\$2,750.00-07/01/12 thru 07/31/12
8. Invoice No. HC-PCT4-008-\$2,195.00-01/02/13 thru 01/31/13
9. Invoice No. HC-PCT4-009-\$7,705.00-02/01/13 thru 02/28/13
10. Invoice No. HC-PCT4-010-\$3,950.00-03/01/13 thru 03/31/13
11. Invoice No. HC-PCT4-011-\$2,215.00-04/01/13 thru 04/30/13
12. Invoice No. HC-PCT4-012-\$4,085.00-05/01/13 thru 05/31/13
13. Invoice No. HC-PCT4-13-\$3,160.00-06/01/13 thru 06/30/13
14. Invoice No. HC-PCT4-14-\$915.00-07/01/13 thru 07/31/13

Total amount: \$52,410.00

B. AI-43242 Requesting approval of payment for Invoice # 1246 (\$2,504.00) submitted by Aranda & Associates, Inc. in connection to C-13-335-12-10 (PO# 703537) for Job Specific: Brewster Park Project.

C. AI-42864 1. Requesting approval to exercise the **second (2nd) & FINAL** of the additional two (2) one (1) year option to extend with **VSL d/b/a Video Sounds & Light, Inc.** in connection to contract# E-13-111-03-12 (C-12-035-03-06) for the purposes of "Repairs, Removal & Installation of Mobile Radios, Computers and Other Misc., for Hidalgo County, under the same rates, terms and conditions in connection to and as provided in the current contract, effective, 03/06/14.

2. Requesting approval to exercise the **second (2nd) & FINAL** of the additional two (2) one (1) year option to extend with **Yoder Enterprises, Inc. d/b/a Advanced Paging** in connection to contract# E-13-110-03-12

- I. **AI-43098** Pct 4 - CAP
1. Recommending for HCCC to reject all bids received for "Drainage Spillway Construction for Hoehn Drive Subdivision" (RFB# CAP-13-274-09-18-YSI) as Hidalgo County 's agreement with TxDoT expired prior to completing procurement process;

2. Requesting authority to re-advertise and approval of procurement packet (i.e., specifications, legal notice etc.) as attached hereto for the above mentioned Pct 4 BCAP project (CC approved 08-27-13) once agreement is in place.
- J. **AI-43097** Requesting approval for Hidalgo County to exercise the first of two (2); one (1) year options as provided under the current contract for "Voluntary (Post Tax) Emergency Air Ambulance Services" under the same rates, terms and conditions with "Air Evac EMS d/b/a Air Evac Lifeteam. (C-12-108-03-01)
- K. **AI-43068** The Hidalgo County District Clerk's office is requesting authorization to remove fixed assets from their inventory list, description of said items attached herein as Exhibit "A".

Mr. Eufrazio stated that when an item is lost, it is recommended to file a police report and in this case no police report has been provided. Mrs. Salazar explained that the items may have been surplused without the proper paperwork and nothing indicates they were lost or stolen; therefore, there is no need to file a police report. The occurrence was prior to the current District Clerk's administration and there is no way of knowing an exact time or place when the items went missing. Mrs. Salazar recommended approval.

On motion by COMMISSIONER PCT. 4, JOSEPH PALACIOS, seconded by COMMISSIONER PCT. 1, A.C. CUELLAR, JR., the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval.

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- L. **AI-43059** Acceptance and approval invoice #15-\$18,500.00 & #16-\$6,170.00 submitted by Alcocer Garcia Associates, Inc., contracted architect: "Remodel of Existing Old Administration Building (1st & 2nd floors)"- C-08-131-08-07.31-08-07.
- M. **AI-43033** **Precinct 4-CRC Center:**
Requesting authority to enter into a new 36-month (capital) lease copier agreement for a Ricoh Aficio MP 301SPF through our membership/participation with (DIR) Department of Information Resources awarded vendor, RICOH USA / GE RICOH USA contract DIR-SDD-1674 through Requisition #249797 in the amount of \$44.45/month-equipment & B/W impressions @ \$27.50/month-service with a total of \$71.95/month, effective upon approval.
- N. **AI-43006** 1. Requesting authority to exercise the sixty (60) day grace period extension as provided in the current contract for: "Professional Physician Services for Inmates" for H. C. Sheriff's Office, under the same rates terms and conditions with Dr. Marin Garza E-13-089-02-26 and Dr. Gumaro Garza E-13-089a-02-26 effective March 03, 2014 thru May 01, 2014 or (upon completion of the procurement process which ever is most advantageous to H.C.);





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2. Requesting authority to advertise and approval of procurement packet (i.e., specifications - requirements, legal notice and draft contract etc.) as attached hereto for H. C. Sheriff's Office "Professional Physician Services for Inmates" RFQ No. 2014-009 including the authority to re-advertise project in the event that no packets are received and/or are rejected and project is still required.

O. AI-42769 Requesting authority to advertise and approval of procurement packet (i.e. specifications/requirements, legal notice, draft requirement agreement etc.) as attached hereto for: Hidalgo County (all funding sources, programs & entities) on an "as needed basis"- "SS-1 Emulsified Asphalt and Delivery Services" RFB No.: 2014-038-00-00-SGS. Including the re-advertising of project in the event no bids responses are received and/ or are rejected and project is still required.

P. AI-42926 449th District Court:
Requesting authority to enter into a 36-month new (capital) lease copier for a Ricoh Aficio MP C4503 through our membership/participation with (DIR) Department of Information Resources awarded vendor, RICOH USA / GE RICOH USA contract DIR-SDD-1674 through Requisition #249560 in the amount of \$193.04/month-equipment, B/W impressions @ \$69.00/month & color impressions @ \$175.48 = \$244.48/month-service with a total of \$437.52/month, effective upon approval.

Q. AI-42669 Acceptance and approval of the one (1) year renewal as stipulated and provided in the following listed contracts for the RFB's 2013-025-02-05 and 2013-064-03-20-Pipes-Reinforced Concrete Tongue & Groove Rubber Gasket Joint Pipe, Polyethylene Pipe, Polyvinyl Chloride (PVC) Pipe, Corrugated PVC, Steel Storm Sewer Pipes, Manholes & Additional Miscellaneous Items" under the same rates, terms and conditions:

- A. ACT Pipe & Supply;
- B. L & R PRECAST CONCRETE WORKS;
- C. RIO VALLEY PIPE;
- D. CONTECH PIPES;
- E. FERGUSON PIPES;
- F. HLD SUPPLY WATERWORKS.

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Hidalgo County Purchasing Department
2812 S. Business Highway 281
New Administration Building
Edinburg, Texas 78539
(956) 318-2626 / Fax: (956) 318-2629

January 15, 2014

E-14-077D-02-25

Contech Construction Products Inc.
Attn: Kevin Bain
2201 W Royal Lane, Suite 170
Irving, TX 75035
Via E-Mail: baink@contech-cpi.com

Effective Date: 03/01/2014 thru 02/28/2015

Re: Renewal/Extension- **C-13-064-03-20** "Pipes-Reinforced Concrete Tongue & Groove Rubber Gasket Joint Pipe, Polyethylene Pipe, Polyvinyl Chloride (PVC) Pipe, Corrugated PVC, Steel Storm Sewer Pipes, Plumbing Pipes, Manholes and Additional Miscellaneous Items"

Dear Mr. Bain:

Hidalgo County Purchasing Department will be requesting Commissioners' Court to consider the County's sole option to exercise its' option to renew the one (1) year term as provided in the current contract (under the same rates, terms and conditions). Please acknowledge receipt of this notice of placement on the Commissioners' Court meeting of **January 28, 2014** for discussion, consideration and action, by signing below and returning to the Purchasing Department, by no later than **Monday, January 21, 2014** via facsimile to (956) 956-292-7612 or email to: yolanda.velasquez@co.hidalgo.tx.us so as to meet the agenda request form deadlines.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Print: _____

Additionally, we are requesting that your company provide an updated certificate of insurance as required through Hidalgo County's Request for (Bid, Quote, Proposal, Statement of Qualifications).

Should you have any questions or require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at (956) 318-2626 ext. 4881. Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated and we hope your company continues its business relationship with Hidalgo County.

Sincerely,

Yolanda Velasquez, Buyer III
Hidalgo County Purchasing Department

cc: department

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MEETING
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1. **Roll Call**
All members of the Court were counted present, with the exception of Commissioner Flores.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
Judge Garcia led the Court and Audience in Prayer.
3. **Prayer**
Virginia Townsend led the Court and Audience in Prayer.
4. **Approval of Consent Agenda**
The Court moved to approve the Consent Agenda at this time.
5. **Open Forum**
 - Lydia Jefferies asked for assistance with repairs to her mobile home.
 - Opal Billman discussed her community property and her false imprisonment on her property.
 - Virginia Townsend expressed concerns with item 9.D. and 23.A.6.
 - Frank Traver talked about the Department of Energy Grant and the Commuter Rail Feasibility Study.
 - Oscar Montoya began to provide the Court an update on the Water Reclamation. Judge Garcia asked that an item be placed on the agenda for next week to further discuss this item.
6. **County Judge's Office:**
 - A. Report on bills before the Texas Legislature of interest to Hidalgo County
Rick Alvarez provided the Court an update on HB 1000/ SB 24 as it pertained to the UTPA and UTB merger, the creation of the Medical School and SB 1426 which pertains to the appointment of the County Auditor by members of the Commissioners Court and District Judge's.
 - B. Authorization for the County Judge to sign a letter of Modification to the Grant Period of Performance to the United States Department of Energy regarding the Energy Efficiency Block Grant Project

NO ACTION taken on this item.

Vote: 4 - 0 - Unanimously

- 3. 2013 Pct. 1 Rd. Maint (1200):
Approval of 2013 appropriation of funds for Pct. 1 Rd. Maint, program #005, in the amount of \$60,000.00 to fund fuel expenditures for the months of March & April 2013.

On motion by COMMISSIONER, PCT. 4 JOSEPH PALACIOS, seconded by COMMISSIONER, PCT. 1 A.C. CUELLAR, JR. , the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval.

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Purchasing Department - Marty Salazar:

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A. Hidalgo County

- 1. **Presentation for acceptance and approval of Current inter-local(s) and/or contract(s) for the "Housing of Inmates"**
- 2. **Presentation for discussion, consideration and action**
Including, but not limited to, the following items in connection with New Adult Detention Center:
 - a) Detention Facility Law Enforcement Center Design- Build Contract with including action regarding Landmark Application for payment, final punch list and release of retainage
 - b) Construction of additional pod(s)
 - c) Selection and engagement of an architect for the construction of additional pods

NO ACTION taken on items 23.A.1 & 2.a, b & c.

- ~~X~~ 3. **Presentation of tabulation for action by CC to award to multiple vendors that submitted the lowest bid by category/item and meeting all specifications and requirements with approval to contract to multiple vendors for "Pipes (Reinforced Polyethylene Pipe, Corrugated PVC Storm Sewer Pipes, Corrugated Steel Storm Sewer & Plumbing Pipes and Additional Miscellaneous Items) for RFB No. 2013-064-02-27-YZV**

On motion by COMMISSIONER, PCT. 4 JOSEPH PALACIOS, seconded by COMMISSIONER, PCT. 1 A.C. CUELLAR, JR. , the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote to approve the multiple award to Contech Engineered Solutions, Ferguson Supply Waterworks and HD Supply Waterworks.

Vote: 4 - 0 - Unanimously



AI-37396

Purchasing Department 23. A. 3.

CC REGULAR

Meeting Date: 03/20/2013

Submitted For: Martha L. Salazar

Submitted By: Yolanda Velasquez, PURCHASING DEPT.

Department: PURCHASING DEPT.

Information

CAPTION

Presentation of tabulation for action by CC to award to multiple vendors that submitted the lowest bid by category/item and meeting all specifications and requirements with approval to contract to multiple vendors for "Pipes (Reinforced Polyethylene Pipe, Corrugated PVC Storm Sewer Pipes, Corrugated Steel Storm Sewer & Plumbing Pipes and Additional Miscellaneous Items) for RFB No. 2013-064-02-27-YZV

BACKGROUND

Recommended Vendors:

- 1) Contech Engineered Solutions
- 2) Ferguson Waterworks
- 3) HD Waterworks

Fiscal Impact

FISCAL YEAR: 2013

ACCT. #: see attached exp report

FUNDS AVAILABLE Y/N?: n/a

MATCHING FUNDS Y/N?: n/a

BUDGETARY IMPACT:

SEE ATTACHED EXP REPORT FOR POSSIBLE FUNDING SOURCES AND AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS.

Attachments

AWARD TAB

Memos from Precincts

exp report

contract

Acceptance-Participation Sheet

LEGALS OK

Form Review

Inbox	Reviewed By	Date
Purchasing Department	Marty Salazar	03/11/2013 01:22 PM
Budget & Management	Obdett Calzada	03/11/2013 03:22 PM
Rosalinda Cantu	Rosie Cantu	03/15/2013 10:53 AM
Auditor's Office	Monica Badillo	03/15/2013 04:22 PM
Form Started By: Yolanda Velasquez		Started On: 03/01/2013 01:52 PM
Final Approval Date: 03/15/2013		

REQUIREMENTS AGREEMENT

C-2013-064-03-20

THIS AGREEMENT (the "Agreement") is entered into effective as of March 20, 2013 by and between Contech Engineered Solutions, LLC, ("Seller") and **Hidalgo County** ("Buyer").

WHEREAS, Buyer has solicited proposals for the supply of its requirements of **"Pipes-(Reinforced Polyethylene Pipe, Corrugated PVC and Steel Storm Sewer Pipes, Plumbing Pipes and Additional Miscellaneous Items"**, as further described in Exhibit "A" which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference for all purposes (the "Products") ; and

WHEREAS, Seller has submitted a proposal to supply Buyer's requirements; and

WHEREAS, Buyer has determined that Seller has submitted the lowest and best bid to meet Buyer's requirements for the Product.

NOW THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the mutual covenants and conditions hereinafter set forth, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. Buyer agrees to purchase from Seller, and Seller agrees to sell to Buyer, all of the Products that Buyer may require for use by Buyer of in the areas of HIDALGO COUNTY projects for a period to commence March 20, 2013 through February 28, 2014 with the County's option to extend the contract for an additional one (1) year under the same rates, terms and conditions. Hidalgo County reserves the right to continue this bid for an additional one year sixty (60) day grace period under the same rates, terms and conditions at the end of the contract term for unforeseen delay in award of new bid for next contract term and it is agreed that the Products will meet the specifications set forth in Exhibit "A" hereto.

2. When Buyer determines that it needs a quantity of the Products to be delivered, it will, according to its Purchasing Policies, complete and submit to

Seller a Purchase Order describing the type and quantity of the Products required. The Products are to be delivered by Buyer to the location in Hidalgo County specified by Buyer in its Purchase Order.

3. Buyer agrees to pay Seller for each Purchase Order based on the prices set out in Exhibit "B". Seller shall render invoices for each Purchase Order, and the invoices shall be paid by Buyer on or before the 30th day following receipt of the invoice.

4. General Provisions.

a. **Conflict with Applicable Law.** Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed so as to require the commission of any act contrary to law, and whenever there is any conflict between any provision of this Agreement and any present or future law, ordinance or administrative, executive or judicial regulation, order or decree, or amendment thereof, contrary to which the parties have no legal right to contract, the latter shall prevail, but in such event the affected provision or provisions of this Agreement shall be modified only to the extent necessary to bring them within the legal requirements and only during the time such conflict exists.

b. **No Waiver.** No waiver by Buyer of any breach of any provision of this Agreement shall be deemed to be a waiver of any preceding or succeeding breach of the same or any other provision hereof.

c. **Entire Agreement.** This Agreement contains the entire contract between the parties hereto, and each party acknowledges that neither has made (either directly or through any agent or representative) any representations or agreements in connection with this Agreement not specifically set forth herein. This Agreement may be modified or amended only by agreement in writing executed by Buyer and Seller, and not otherwise.

d. **Texas Law to Apply.** This Agreement shall be construed under and in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas, and all obligations of the parties created hereunder are performable in Hidalgo County, Texas. The parties hereby consent to personal jurisdiction in Hidalgo County,

Texas.

e. **Notice.** Except as may be otherwise specifically provided in this Agreement, all notices, demands, requests or communications required or permitted hereunder shall be in writing and shall either be (i) personally delivered against a written receipt, or (ii) sent by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid and addressed to the parties at the addresses set forth below, or at such other addresses as may have been theretofore specified by written notice delivered in accordance herewith:

If to Buyer: Hidalgo County
Attention: County Judge
302 West University Drive
Edinburg, Texas 78539

If to Seller: Contech Engineered Solutions, LLC
2201 West Royal Lane Suite 170
Irving, Texas 75035

Each notice, demand, request or communication which shall be delivered or mailed in the manner described above shall be deemed sufficiently given for all purposes at such time as it is personally delivered to the addressee or, if mailed, at such time as it is deposited in the United States mail.

f. **Additional Documents.** The parties hereto covenant and agree that they will execute such other and further instruments and documents as are or may become necessary or convenient to effectuate and carry out the terms of this Agreement.

g. **Successors.** This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective heirs, executors, administrators, legal representatives, successors, and assigns where permitted by this Agreement.

h. **Assignment.** This Agreement shall not be assignable.

i. **Headings.** The headings and captions contained in this Agreement are solely for convenient reference and shall not be deemed to affect the meaning or interpretation of any provision or paragraph hereof.

j. **Gender and Number.** All pronouns used in this Agreement shall include the other gender, whether used in the masculine, feminine or neuter gender, and the singular shall include the plural whenever and as often as may be appropriate

k. **Authority to Execute.** The execution and performance of this Agreement by Buyer and Seller have been duly authorized by all necessary laws, resolutions or corporate action, and this Agreement constitutes the valid and enforceable obligations of Buyer and Seller in accordance with its terms.

l. **Commitment of Current Revenues Only.** In the event that, during any term hereof, the Commissioners Court does not appropriate sufficient funds to meet the obligations of Buyer under this Agreement, Buyer may terminate this Agreement upon ninety (90) days written notice to Seller. Buyer agrees, however, to use reasonable efforts to secure funds necessary for the continued performance of this Agreement. The parties intend this provision to be a continuing right to terminate this Agreement at the expiration of each budget period of Buyer pursuant to the provisions of Tex. Loc. Govt. Code Ann. § 271.903 (Vernon Supp. 1996).

m. Any contract award to a successful bidder will be in effect until (a) contract expires, (b) delivery and acceptance of products, and/or performance of services ordered, or (c) terminated by County without cause with thirty day's written notice prior to cancellation.

n. **Purchasing Ethics.** Seller represents and warrants it has not, during the process of being awarded this contract violated the following ethical standards of Buyer and, upon and after the execution of this Agreement, agrees to abide by the following ethical standards of Buyer:

- (1) It shall be a breach of ethics to offer, give or agree to give any elected official, department head or employee, or former elected official, department head or employee, of Hidalgo County, or for any elected official, department head or employee or former elected official, department head or employee of Hidalgo County, to solicit, demand, accept or agree to accept from another person, entity or organization, a gratuity or an officer of employment in connection with any decision, approval, disapproval, recommendation, preparation or any part of a program requirement or purchase request, influencing the content of any specification or procurement standard, rendering of advise, investigation, auditing, or in any other advisory capacity in any proceeding or application, request for ruling, determination, claim or controversy, or other particular matter pertaining to any program requirement or a contract or subcontract, or to any solicitation or proposal therefore pending before any department or agency of Hidalgo County.

- (2) It shall be a breach of ethics for any payment, gratuity or offer of employment to be made by or on behalf of a subcontractor under a contract to the prime contractor or higher tier subcontractor for any contract for Hidalgo County, or any person associated therewith, as an inducement for the award of a subcontract or order.

EXECUTED effective as of the day and year first above written.

HIDALGO COUNTY

Ramon Garcia
Ramon Garcia, County Judge

Approved by Commissioners' Court
on 3/20/13 RD

ATTEST:

Arturo Guajardo Jr
Arturo Guajardo, Jr., County Clerk

VENDOR:

By: [Signature]

Printed Name: Kevin Bain

Company: Cortech Engineered Solutions

Approved on Commissioners' Court: _____

APPROVED AS TO FORM

Atlas & Hall, L.L.P.

By: [Signature]
Stephen Crain

EXHIBIT "A"
RFB PACKET



PURCHASING DEPARTMENT
County Of Hidalgo

February 11, 2013

Re: **HIDALGO COUNTY**
Request for Bids – **“PIPES (Reinforced Polyethylene Pipe, Corrugated PVC Storm Sewer Pipes, Corrugated Steel Storm Sewer & Plumbing Pipes and Additional Miscellaneous Items)”**
Bid No: 2013-064-02-27-YZV

Dear Gentleman/Ladies:

Enclosed please find a Request for Bid (RFB) packet for your review and consideration.

Hidalgo County Purchasing Department welcomes and appreciates your participation in the bid process.

If any further assistance is required, please do not hesitate to call the Purchasing Department 956/318-2626.

Sincerely,

Martha L. Salazar, CPPB
Hidalgo County Purchasing Agent

MLS/yzv

Enclosures



PURCHASING DEPARTMENT
County Of Hidalgo

**REQUEST FOR BID (RFB)
CHECKLIST**

HIDALGO COUNTY

**“PIPES-(Reinforced Polyethylene Pipe Corrugated PVC Storm Sewer Pipes,
Corrugated Steel Storm Sewer & Plumbing Pipes and Additional Miscellaneous Items)”**

Bid No: 2013-064-02-27-YZV

1. Request For Bid Letter, consists of 1 page.
2. Request for Bid, Legal Notice, consisting of 8 pages.
3. Exhibit “A” Specifications consisting of 8 pages.
4. Exhibit “B” Bid Page consisting of 3 pages.
5. Exhibit “C” Insurance Requirements consisting of 4 pages.
6. Exhibit “D” CIQ Conflict of Interest Questionnaire, consisting of 1 page.
7. Vendor/Bidder Application and W-9 form consisting of 6 pages.
8. Draft Requirements Agreement consisting of 6 pages.
9. Certification Regarding Debarment consisting of 1 page.

The above mentioned items shall be found in the Request for Bid (RFB) packet that is attached herewith. Should you find that any of the items are not attached in its entirety please contact Purchasing by calling (956) 318-2626, advise of missing documentation, and Purchasing will forward information either through facsimile or by U.S. Mail.

Thank you.

Martha L. Salazar, CPPB
Purchasing Agent

February 11, 2013

Date

Bid No: 2013-064-02-27

Buyer: Yolanda Velasquez

Tel. No: (956) 318-2626

REQUEST FOR BIDS

HIDALGO COUNTY

**Hidalgo County--“PIPES-(Reinforced Polyethylene Pipe,
Corrugated PVC and Steel Storm Sewer Pipes, Plumbing Pipes and
Additional Miscellaneous Items)”**

BID OPENING DATE:

February 27, 2013

Contact Person:

Martha L. Salazar, CPPB, Purchasing Agent
Hidalgo County Purchasing Department
2812 S. Business Hwy 281 – New Administration Building
Edinburg, Texas 78539

956 318-2626



Form HCPD-03

LEGAL NOTICE

BID NO: 2013-064-02-27-YZV

1. Sealed bids will be received for Hidalgo County – “PIPES (Reinforced Polyethylene Pipe, Corrugated PVC Storm Sewer Pipes, Corrugated Steel Storm Sewer & Plumbing Pipes and Additional Miscellaneous Items)” in accordance with the specifications attached as Exhibit "A" hereto. Bids should address all specifications set forth. Bidders may suggest substitutions of features which they feel would be in the best interest of Hidalgo County ("County"). Strong rationale must be presented for any deviation from the specifications. Hidalgo County reserves the right to reject the deviation and its effect on the overall bid.
2. One (1) original and Five (5) copies of all bids are required with the bidders name and return address clearly typed/printed on upper left hand corner and the proper notation clearly typed/printed on the lower left hand corner of the envelope and/or package: BID-2013-064-02-27-YZV - Hidalgo County – “PIPES(Reinforced Polyethylene Pipe, Corrugated PVC Storm Sewer Pipes, Corrugated Steel Storm Sewer & Plumbing Pipes and Additional Miscellaneous Items)” and in County's Purchasing Department, 2812 S. Business 281, New Administration Building, Edinburg, Texas, **on or before 9:30 a.m., WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2013. NO FACSIMILES OR LATE ARRIVALS WILL BE ACCEPTED. ANY RFB RECEIVED AFTER THAT TIME WILL NOT BE OPENED AND WILL BE RETURNED. OVERNIGHT MAIL MUST ALSO BE PROPERLY LABELED ON THE OUTSIDE OF EXPRESS ENVELOPE OR PACKAGE WITH REFERENCE TO REQUEST FOR BIDS-2013-064-02-27-YZV-Hidalgo County–“PIPES-(Reinforced Polyethylene Pipe, Corrugated PVC Storm Sewer Pipes, Corrugated Steel Storm Sewer & Plumbing Pipes and Additional Miscellaneous Items)”**. Hidalgo County reserves the right to refuse and reject any/all RFB and to waive any/all formalities or technicalities, or to accept the RFB considered the best and most advantageous to Hidalgo County.
3. Hidalgo County reserves the right to: A. separate and accept, or eliminate any item(s) listed under this bid that it deems necessary to accommodate budgetary and/or operational requirements; B. reject any or all bids submitted and further reserves the right to design the evaluation criteria to be used in selecting the lowest and best bid for approval; and C. award the bid to one bidder or to multiple bidders if the County determines it is in its best interest to do so.”
4. The Bidder shall not substitute items named in the bid without the express written consent of Hidalgo County. Failure of the delivered item(s) to perform as specified, or failure to meet the stated delivery schedule shall release Hidalgo County from all obligations to the contracting party with regard to the item(s) in question. In such event, County may elect to award the contract to the next-lowest responsible bidder, or to reject all bids and re-advertise.
5. For work to be performed at a County owned or operated location, each bidder shall, in its sole discretion, visit the job site before preparing the bid and thoroughly familiarize himself/herself with existing conditions. Bidder should take field dimensions and note all circumstances which affect the dollar amount of the bid.

6. Descriptive specifications are referenced in this document to indicate the general kind and quality of equipment desired by Hidalgo County. Due to various styles and models of equipment, bidders are required to include illustrations, specifications, explanation of warranties, and service data with their bid including catalogue numbers and any necessary references.
7. No bid may be withdrawn within thirty (30) days from the scheduled time to open bids.
8. Proposed prices are to remain firm for a minimum of ninety (90) days after bid opening.
9. Any interpretations, amendments, corrections or changes to this bid document must be in a written addendum and signed by the County Judge or his designee. Addenda will be mailed to all who are known to have received a copy of the Request for Bids. Bidders shall acknowledge receipt of all addenda as a part of their bid.
10. County reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.
11. Costs are to be net F.O.B., County Prepaid.
12. County is exempt from Federal Excise Tax, State Tax and Local Tax. Do Not include tax in cost figure. If it is determined that tax was included in the cost figures it will not be included in the tabulation of any awards. Tax exemption certificates will be furnished upon request.
13. Funds for this procurement have been provided through the County budget for this fiscal year only. County, on an annual basis, has the right to reconsider a contract during the budget process for ensuing years if financial resources of County are insufficient to meet the liabilities of said contract. The award of a bid or contract hereunder will not be construed to create a debt of the County which is payable out of funds beyond the current fiscal year.
14. Upon award and prior to execution of a contract, Sole Proprietorships are required to submit a copy of their social security cards to the Hidalgo County Auditor's Office in order to establish an account with the County. All awarded vendors must submit a completed W-9 and a copy of their Federal ID Number Certificate.
15. DELIVERY INSTRUCTIONS:
 - . No deliveries accepted after 3:00 P.M., Monday-Friday.
 - . At least seventy two (72) hours prior notice of delivery must be given to Martha L. Salazar, Purchasing Agent before delivery will be accepted.
 - . If you need additional information call the office listed below:

Hidalgo County Purchasing Department
Martha L. Salazar, Purchasing Agent
(956) 318-2626

16. BILLING AND PAYMENT INSTRUCTIONS:

. Invoices must include:

- a) Name and address of successful bidder
- b) Name and address of receiving department or official
- c) Purchase Order Number (if any)
- d) Notation - **Hidalgo County-"PIPES-(Reinforced Polyethylene Pipe, Corrugated PVC Storm Sewer Pipes, Corrugated Steel Storm Sewer & Plumbing Pipes and Additional Miscellaneous Items)"** Descriptive information as to the items or services delivered, including product code, item number, quantity, etc.
- e) Contract number must be indicated on all invoices

. Discount payments will be considered when offered.

. Contact person for Billing and Payment questions:

Raul Lozano
Hidalgo County Precinct #1
 1902 Joe Stevens Ave.
 Weslaco, Texas 78596
 (956) 968-8733

Ricardo Cuellar
Hidalgo County Precinct #2
 300 West Hall Acres Rd., Suite G
 Pharr, Texas 78577
 (956) 787-1891

Norma Ceballos
Hidalgo County Precinct #3
 400 W. 13th
 Mission, Texas 78573
 (956) 585-4509

Gloria Beltran
Hidalgo County Precinct #4
 1102 N. Doolittle
 Edinburg, Texas 78540
 (956) 383-3112

17. Schedule of Events

Bid Opening, 9:30 AM	<u>February 27, 2013</u>
Award of Contract	_____, 2013
Commence Work or Deliver Products	_____, 2013

18. Bid or Performance Bond and Debarment Certification; Payment Under Contract:

. If the contract proposed is for the construction of public works or is for a contract for goods & services exceeding \$100,000, all bidders shall furnish a good and sufficient bid bond in the amount of five percent of the total contract price. A bid bond must be executed with a surety company authorized to do business in Texas. All bidders are also required to furnish a certification or acknowledgment stating that the contractor or vendor is free from suspension or debarment pursuant to federal regulation 45CFR Part 76.

. Together with the signing of a contract or issuance of a purchase order following the acceptance of a bid, and prior to commencement of the actual work,

the bidder shall furnish a performance bond to the County for the full amount of the contract, if that contract exceeds \$50,000.

. If the contract is for \$50,000 or less, no money will be paid to the contractor until completion and acceptance of the work or the fulfillment of the purchase obligation to the County, and, if applicable, the receipt by County of satisfactory evidence that all subcontractors and material men have been paid.

. If a contract is for the construction, alteration or repair of public buildings or public works, the contractor *shall* provide a payment bond for a contract in excess of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00), as required by Tex. Govt. Code Ch. 2253.

. For requirements contracts, bond requirements are determined by applying the proposed unit price to the estimated quantities included in the specifications.

19. Ethical Standards:

. It shall be a breach of ethics to offer, give or agree to give any elected official, department head or employee, or former elected official, department head or employee, of the County, or for any elected official, department head or employee or former elected official, department head or employee of the County, to solicit, demand, accept or agree to accept from another person, entity or organization, a gratuity or an offer of employment in connection with any decision, approval, disapproval, recommendation, preparation or any part of a program requirement or purchase request, influencing the content of any specification or procurement standard, rendering of advice, investigation, auditing, or in any other advisory capacity in any proceeding or application, request for ruling, determination, claim or controversy, or other particular matter pertaining to any program requirement or a contract or subcontract, or to any solicitation or proposal therefore pending before any department or agency of the County.

. It shall be a breach of ethics for any payment, gratuity or offer of employment to be made by or on behalf of a subcontractor under a contract to the prime contractor or higher tier subcontractor for any contract for the County, or any person associated therewith, as an inducement for the award of a subcontract or order.

. No public official shall have an interest in a contract awarded hereunder except in accordance with Tex. Loc. Govt. Code Chapter 171.

20. Disclosure of Conflict of Interest

. Effective January 1, 2006, Chapter 176 of the Texas Local Government Code requires that any vendor, person, consultant or contractor considering doing business with Hidalgo County ("the County") to disclose in the Conflict of

Interest Questionnaire (the "CIQ") attached as Exhibit D, the vendor, person, consultant or contractor's affiliation or business relationship that might cause a conflict of interest with the County. By law, the CIQ must be filed with the Hidalgo County Clerk's Office no later than the seventh business day after the date the person becomes aware of facts that require that statement to be filed. The disclosure requirement applies to a person or business who contracts or seeks to contract with Hidalgo County for the sale or purchase of property, goods or service. Any purchase order or contract resulting from this process shall be considered null and void if the successful bidder fails to comply with Texas Local Government Code Chapter 176. Vendors, consultants, contractors and others who desire to conduct business with Hidalgo County are encouraged to refer to Texas Local Government Code Chapter 176 for the details of this law. An offense under Texas Local Government Code Chapter 176 is a Class C Misdemeanor.

Please Submit completed CIQ forms to the Hidalgo County Clerk's Office located at 100 N. Glesner, Edinburg, Texas 78539-Hidalgo County Courthouse
COMPLETION AND SUBMISSION OF FORM CIQ IS THE SOLE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE PROSPECTIVE BIDDER.

21. If, during the life of any contract or bid awarded, the successful bidder's net prices generally available to other customers for items awarded herein are reduced below the contracted price, it is understood and agreed that the benefits of such reduction shall be extended to County.
22. Bids, and all goods and services provided thereunder, shall comply with all federal, state and local laws concerning this type(s) of goods and/or services.
23. Minimum Standards For Responsible Prospective Bidders: A prospective bidder must affirmatively demonstrate bidder's responsibility. A prospective bidder, by submitting a bid, represents to County that it meets the following requirements:
 - . Possess or is able to obtain adequate financial resources as required to perform under the bid;
 - . Be able to comply with the required or proposed delivery schedule;
 - . Have a satisfactory record of performance;
 - . Have a satisfactory record of integrity and ethics;
 - . Be otherwise qualified and eligible to receive an award.
24. Successful bidder will pay or cause to be paid, without cost or expenses to County, all FICA, FUTA/SUTA and Federal Income Withholding Taxes of all employees, and all wages and benefits as required by Federal or State law. Successful bidder's officers, agents and/or employees will not be entitled to any benefits of an employee or elected official of County, including, but not limited to, benefits associated with County's civil service system.
25. Any contract award to a successful bidder will be in effect until (a) the contract expires, (b)

delivery and acceptance of products, and/or performance of services ordered, or (c) terminated by County with thirty day's written notice prior to cancellation.

26. County reserves the right to enforce performance of any contract awarded hereunder in any manner prescribed by law or deemed to be in the best interest of the County in the event of breach or default by successful bidder; County reserves the right to terminate any contract immediately in the event a successful bidder fails to:
 - A. Meet schedules;
 - B. Pay any required fees or taxes; or
 - C. Otherwise perform in accordance with the specifications.
27. Successful bidder shall defend, indemnify and save harmless County and all its elected officials, officers, agents and employees from all suits, actions, or other claims of any character, name and description brought for or on account of any injuries or damages received or sustained by any person, persons, or property on account of any negligent act or fault of the successful bidder, or of any agent, employee, subcontractor or supplier of successful bidder in the execution of, or performance under, any contract which may result from bid award or which arises from any event or casualty happening on or within County premises themselves or happening upon or in any halls, elevators, entrances, stairways or approaches of or to such County facilities. Successful bidder shall pay any judgment with costs which may be obtained against County growing out of such injury or damages, and shall, upon request, provide a defense to County by counsel reasonably acceptable to County. Successful bidder's indemnity hereunder shall include, but is not limited to, claims relating to patent, copyright or trademark infringement, and the like, arising out of the goods and services provided by successful bidder.
28. Successful bidder shall warrant that all items/services shall conform with the specifications and/or all warranties provided under the Uniform Commercial Code and be free from all defects in material, workmanship and the like. Items supplied under a contract pursuant to this Request for Bids shall be subject to County's approval. Items found to be defective or not meeting specifications shall be replaced by successful bidder within two business days at no expense to County. Items not picked up within one (1) week after notification shall be deemed a donation to County and may be used or disposed of at County's discretion and without waiver of any other rights of County as to the item's nonconformity.
29. This document and any disputes arising hereunder shall be governed and construed according to the laws of the State of Texas, and will be performable exclusively in Hidalgo County, Texas.
30. The successful bidder shall not assign, sell, transfer or convey its rights under any awarded contract, in whole or in part, without the prior written consent of County.

Bid

HIDALGO COUNTY
"PIPES-(Reinforced Polyethylene Pipe, Corrugated PVC Storm Sewer Pipes, Corrugated Steel Storm Sewer & Plumbing Pipes and Additional Miscellaneous Items)"

BID NO.: 2013-064-02-27-YZV

To: Martha L. Salazar, CPPB, Purchasing Agent
Hidalgo County Purchasing Department
2812 S. Business Hwy 281-New Administration Bldg.
Edinburg, Texas 78539

In accordance with the Specifications, and subject to all laws and regulations of the United States and state and local laws, the undersigned bidder proposes and commits to furnish all labor, equipment, material, software and services as set forth in the documents hereinbefore mentioned. The undersigned bidder further agrees, upon acceptance of its bid, to execute a contract and/or Purchase Order issued by Hidalgo County for performing and completing the work described in the Specifications within the time stated and for the prices proposed in the documents attached hereto and made a part hereof.

Bidder acknowledges receipt of all of the pages of the documents referenced in the Invitation to Bid Checklist presented in connection with this procurement. Bidder understands that Hidalgo County reserves the right to reject any or all bids and further reserves the right to design the evaluation criteria to be used in selecting the lowest and best bid.

Bidder agrees that this bid shall be good and may not be withdrawn for a period of ninety (90) calendar days after the scheduled closing time for receiving bids, as contained in the Specifications.

Respectfully submitted,

Bidder:

Address:

By:

Printed Name:

Title:

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INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

Bidder(s) shall supply, where needed (on an "as needed" basis) in Hidalgo County or job site, "PIPES- (Reinforced Polyethylene Pipe, Corrugated PVC Storm Sewer Pipes, Corrugated Steel Storm Sewer Pipes, Plumbing Pipes, & Additional Miscellaneous Items".

Bid information will be furnished to all Hidalgo County departments requiring pipes and delivery will involve numerous locations within Hidalgo County.

- I. LOCATIONS – Departments requiring pipes.
- II. DELIVERY INSTRUCTIONS
Delivery hours will be arranged with each department requiring pipes. Bidder(s) shall deliver the amount of product requested to location or job site required within 24 hours, or earlier, if requested. Bidder(s) agree(s) that, to the extent an item is unavailable from bidder's own inventory, bidder(s) will be responsible for locating an alternative supplier and for providing the product to Hidalgo County for the bid price. VENDOR(S) MUST UNLOAD ANY/ALL PIPES AT THE REQUESTED SITE(S).
- III. BID AWARD
 1. Initial term of contract will be for a one (1) year period with Hidalgo County's option to extend the contract for an additional one (1) year under the same rates, terms and conditions.
 2. Hidalgo County reserves the right to continue this bid for an additional sixty (60) day grace period at the end of the contract term for unforeseen delay in award of new bid for next contract term.
 3. Hidalgo County may award the bid on a lump sum basis to one (1) bidder or to multiple bidders on an item by item basis in each category, whichever is in the best interest of the County. For evaluation and consideration of items bid, samples will be submitted upon request. Categories will be as follows:
 - Category A: Pipes
 - Category D: Miscellaneous
 4. Insurance Certificates (Exhibit "C") must be submitted to Hidalgo County for approval prior to any services being performed by the awarded bidder.
 5. The bidder(s) awarded the contract cannot engage the services of a subcontractor without prior written consent of Hidalgo County for the retention of a subcontractor to perform services hereunder. The successful bidder(s) must present evidence that the proposed subcontractor possess all the necessary licenses and permits to perform the services and the subcontractor has obtained the required insurance which names the contractor as an additional insured. Requesting authorization for subcontracting does not constitute compliance with

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the primary specification contained herein which state the minimum number vendor owned vehicles required.

6. The County reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive any or all formalities or accept the bid considered the best and most advantageous to the County.
7. After bid is awarded and low bidder(s) default(s) in meeting the general instructions to bidders and/or comply with contractual agreement, Hidalgo County reserves the right to seek services from the next low bidder(s). In such event, County shall charge the successful bidder(s) the difference for any additional cost of such item(s).
8. Any contract award to a successful bidder will be in effect until (a) the contract expires, (b) delivery and acceptance of products, and/or performance of services ordered or (c) terminated by the County with thirty day's written notice prior to cancellation.
9. All costs and expenses associated with the preparation and submission of proposals shall be the responsibility of the submitter and no reimbursements for such charges or expenses shall be passed onto the County.

10. **Market Volatility and Unit Price Adjustments:**

Hidalgo County recognizes that during periods of national crisis and unstable economic conditions, unforeseen price increases might affect costs for goods and services contracted on an annual basis. The following procedure may be employed to mediate price volatility:

- **Requesting Price Adjustment:** Upon written request of the Vendor to the County Purchasing Agent, the County may review evidence of prevailing industry-wide market conditions that warrant an adjustment in bid prices contained in the contract.
- A Vendor must tie any price change clause to an industry-wide or otherwise nationally recognized index, or some other form of verifiable document. Such written request must be accompanied by a certified copy of the supplier's advisory or notification to the vendor of the price changes.
- The Vendor must put the Purchasing Agent on the mailing lists for such publications so that the Purchasing Agent can monitor said changes. Such membership shall be at no cost to the County.
- The County Purchasing Agent retains the right to determine whether or not such proposed price changes are in the best interest of the County.
- No price escalation will be authorized in excess of the amount of the increase referred to in the supplier's notice.

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- The County may only grant a price increase if the evidence presented is deemed reliable. Should the County allow a price increase, the approved price change shall be honored for all orders received by the vendor or contractor after the effective date of such price change. Approved price changes are not applicable to orders already issued and in process at time of price change.

- **Price Reduction:** Vendor shall notify the County at the time when the Vendor's costs for items and/or supplies reduce due to stabilization in the market at which time prices for items on this contract shall be reduced accordingly. Failure by the Vendor to notify the County of a decrease in costs for items and/or supplies for which the Vendor was granted a price adjustment, may result in immediate termination of this contract and the County shall not be obligated to pay the Vendor the difference between the contract price and the price adjustment.

- **Time Frame for Adjusted Price Increases:** Price increases are only valid for the quarter in which they are requested and approved. Prices shall return to the original contract price at the beginning of the following quarter unless a Vendor notifies the County in writing within ten (10) days of expiration of the quarter in which the price increase is in effect, that it desires to have the price increase continue or that the Vendor is requesting a different price increase for the following quarter. Such request must be supplemented with sufficient justification to demonstrate that the price increase remains necessary. The County Purchasing Department shall have sole discretion whether to grant the price increase extension. The County too, shall have discretion to unilaterally reduce, eliminate or extend a price adjustment to the Vendor at any time upon written notice from the County to the Vendor demonstrating justification for such reduction, elimination or extension of the price adjustment.

- **Allowable Review Periods:** Price adjustment reviews may only be requested by the Vendor on a quarterly basis. However, the County may at its own discretion, conduct temporary price adjustment reviews at any time. The County Purchasing Agent and/or the County Auditor reserve the right to audit and/or examine any pertinent books, documents, papers, records or invoices relating directly to the contract transaction in question after reasonable notice and during normal business hours.

- **Dollar Limit to Price Changes:** The total increase in contract price shall not exceed twenty-five percent (25%) of the original contract price during the contract term.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Further information for this project can be addressed through the Hidalgo County Purchasing Department through Yolanda Velasquez. Hidalgo County is also requesting that any and all questions, inquiries and clarifications regarding this bid be addressed to Martha L. Salazar, CPPB/Purchasing Agent at 2802 S. Business Highway 281, Edinburg, Texas 78539.
TELEPHONE INQUIRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

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All written inquiries will be accepted via facsimile (956) 318-2629 or e-mail volanda.velasquez@co.hidalgo.tx.us no later than, Wednesday, February 20, 2013 at 5:00 p.m. Responses to said inquiries will be sent to all applicants via-facsimile by no later than 5:00 p.m., Friday, February 22, 2012.

CORRUGATED PVC STORM SEWER PIPE SPECIFICATION

1.0 SCOPE:

Polyvinyl chloride (PVC) storm sewer/drain pipe and fitting shall be manufactured and tested in accordance with AASHTO Specifications M304.

2.0 MATERIAL AND DESIGN

The structural design of thermoplastic pipes shall be in accordance with AASHTO Standard Specifications for Highway Bridge; Section 8 titled "Soil-Thermoplastic Pipe Interaction Systems". To ensure long-term design strength properties, PVC Pipe shall be manufactured from 12454B or 12454C cell class material per ASTM D1784.

3.0 JOINING SYSTEM:

Joints may be either plastic sleeve with gaskets or an integral bell-gasket joint. When the joint is assembled, it shall prevent misalignment of adjacent pipes and form either a soil (2 psi hydrostatic test per AASHTO Standard Specifications for Highway Bridges: Section 26.4.2.4) or watertight joint (10.8 psi test per ASTM D3212 "Standard Specifications for Joints for Drain and Sewer Plastic Pipes Using Flexible Elastomeric Seals" as required.

4.0 INSTALLATION

PVC thermoplastic pipe and fittings manufactured to these specifications, shall be installed in accordance with ASTM D2321-89.

Heights of Cover

DIAMETER	CORRUGATED PVC PIPE (AASHTO M304)
INCHES	FEET
12	49
15	47
18	51
24	50
30	50

*Minimum cover (H-20 live load) = (ASTM D2321 with Class A1 embedment)

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CORRUGATED STEEL STORM SEWER PIPE SPECIFICATIONS

1.0 GENERAL

This item shall govern the furnishings of corrugated steel pipe and pipe-arch for culverts and storm sewer for the types, sizes and designations as specified in these specifications.

2.0 MATERIALS

This pipe shall be fabricated from sheets conforming to the current AASHTO M-274 (ASTM A819) specification for ALUMINIZED STEEL Type 2 material or the current AASHTO M-246 (ASTM 742) specification for POLYMER coated galvanized steel material.

3.0 MANUFACTURE

This pipe shall meet the requirements of AASHTO M-36 (ASTM A760) for corrugated steel pipe. All pipe shall be manufactured with a minimum of two-re-rolled annular ends.

4.0 CLASSIFICATION (TYPE) FOR DIAMETERS 46" THROUGH 96"

This pipe shall be manufactured to conform to the current AASHTO M-36 (ASTM A 760) specification and shall have an extended helical corrugation pattern of 3/4 x 3/4" 7 1/2" as described in AASHTO M-36 (ASTM A 760).

All round pipe shall be manufactured to conform to the current AASHTO M 245 (ASTM A 762 & A 760) specification and shall have a full circular cross section with a smooth steel liner and helically corrugated shell, integrally attached at helical lock seams. All round pipe shall conform to the Type IA pipe classification. All pipe arch shall conform to the Type IIA classification.

Type I pipe classifications will also be considered. These pipes shall be manufactured out of ALUMINIZED STEEL Type 2 or POLYMER coated galvanized steel as referenced above.

5.0 POST APPLIED COATING

All Pipes manufactured with ALUMINIZED STEEL Type 2 shall be fully coated both inside and out with a minimum thickness of 0.05 in. (1.3 mm) measured from the crest of the corrugations, on the top of ribs, (as in Type IR pipe) or on the smooth inside surface of the pipe. The coating shall be uniform Class B (bituminous) or Class M (mastic) material as described in AASHTO M-190 (ASTM A 849).

6.0 GAUGE

Unless otherwise specified on the specifications, gauges shall be minimum as follows:

TYPE IR (SPIRAL CORRUGATION)	
DIAMETER	GAUGE
36-48"	16
54-60"	14
66-96"	12
TYPE I (STANDARD)	
54-138"	12
144"	10
All Types IA shall be 12 gauge shell and 18 gauge liner.	

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CORRUGATED STEEL STORM SEWER PIPE SPECIFICATIONS (Cont.)

7.0 COUPLING BANDS

Coupling bands shall be of the same base material and coating as the pipe. Coupling bands shall lap evenly on each of the pipes being connected and shall fit securely into at least one full circumferential corrugation to form a tightly closed joint.

All pipe shall be field jointed with corrugated locking bands. Connecting bands shall be drawn together by means of not less than two bolts not less than ½ in. (13 mm) diameter through angles or bar and strap device suitable welded or riveted.

Coupling bands shall be no more than three normal sheet thickness lighter than the pipe to be connected and in no case thinner than 0.052 in. (1.32 mm).

8.0 INSTALLATION

Corrugated steel pipe shall be installed as outlined in AASHTO Standard Specifications for Highway Bridges, Section 26 and ASTM A798.

9.0 MEASUREMENT

Corrugated steel pipe will be measured by linear foot. Such measurements shall be made between the ends of the barrel along its central axis. Where spurs or branches, or connections to existing pipe lines are involved, measurements of the spur or new connecting pipe will be made from the intersection of the central axis with the outside surface of the pipe into which it connects. Where inlets, headwalls, catch basins, manholes, junction chambers or other structures are included in lines of pipe that length of pipe tying into the other structure wall will be included for measurement but no other portion of the structure length or width will be included.

For multiple pipes, the measured length will be the sum of the lengths of the barrels, measured as prescribed above.

In the event of a change in design which either increases or decreases the quantity of pipe, the variation in quantity will be measured as prescribed above and the quantity shown in the specifications will be increased or decreased as the case may be.

10.0 PAYMENT

Payment for corrugated steel pipe, measured as prescribed above will be made at the contract unit price bid per linear foot for various sizes, gauges and types of corrugated steel pipe.

Payments shall be full compensation for furnishings, transporting and installing the pipe. This includes materials, labor, equipment, tools and incidentals necessary to complete the installation in accordance to these specifications.

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REINFORCED POLYETHYLENE PIPE SPECIFICATIONS

SCOPE

This specification(s) describes reinforced polyethylene pipe for use in gravity flow storm drain and culvert applications in 24" through 96" nominal diameters.

DESCRIPTION

This pipe shall have a smooth waterway and exterior profile that is reinforced with high strength galvanized steel ribs. The continuous reinforcing ribs are completely encased within the polyethylene profile. Reinforced polyethylene pipe is manufactured using a helical winding process that results in continuously fusion welded circumferential lap seam. The pipe profile is manufactured using high pressure-rated thermoplastic meeting the requirements of ASTM F2562 "Standard Specification for Steel Reinforced Thermoplastic Ribbed Pipe and Fittings for Non-Pressure Drainage and Sewerage". For the purposes of hydraulic design, the recommended Manning's "n" value shall be 0.013 for pipe diameters included within this specification.

MATERIAL PROPERTIES

Virgin high density polyethylene pressure-related resins are used to manufacture reinforced polyethylene pipe and complimentary fabricated fittings. Resins shall conform to be minimum requirements of cell classification 345464 C as defined and described in the latest version of ASTM D3350 "Standard Specification for Polyethylene Plastic Pipe and Fittings Materials".

JOINT PERFORMANCE

Pipe lengths shall be joined on site using bell & spigots especially designed for reinforced polyethylene pipe. Both bell and spigot shall be reinforced with steel that is fully encased in pressure rated high density polyethylene meeting the requirements set forth in the above Material Properties paragraph and shall be watertight to an internal water pressure of 15 PSI when tested in accordance with ASTM D3212 "Standard Specification for Joints for Drain and Sewer Plastic Pipes Using Flexible Elastometric Seals".

FITTINGS

All fittings shall be fabricated from reinforced polyethylene pipe using fusion welded construction to ensure no loss of structural integrity of water-tightness at welded seams and joints.

INSTALLATION

Installation shall be in accordance with ASTM D2321 "Practice for Underground Installation of Thermoplastic Pipe for Sewers and Other Gravity-Flow Applications" along with product-specific recommendation by the manufacturer. Minimum cover shall be 1 ft. and maximum cover shall be 30 ft.

EXHIBIT "A" – SPECIFICATIONS

HIDALGO COUNTY

**"PIPES – (Reinforced Polyethylene Pipe, Corrugated PVC Storm Sewer Pipes, Corrugated Steel Storm Sewer Pipe, Plumbing Pipes, and additional Miscellaneous Items)
RFB No. 2013-064-02-27-YZV**

AWWA C905 PVC PLASTIC WATER PIPE SPECIFICATIONS

SCOPE

This specification designates general requirements for 14" through 48" un-plasticized polyvinyl chloride (PVC) plastic water pipe with integral bell and spigot joints for the conveyance of water and other fluids. This pipe shall meet AWWA C905 ANSI/NSF-61 and ANSI/UL 1285 (14" – 24").

MATERIALS

Pipe shall meet the requirements of AWWA Standard C905 "Polyvinyl Chloride (PVC) Water Transmission Pipe." All pipe shall be made from quality PVC resin, compounded to provide physical and mechanical properties that equal or exceed cell class 12454 as defined in ASTM D1784.

STANDARD LAYING LENGTHS

Standard laying lengths are 20 feet for all sizes.

PIPE

All pipe shall be suitable for use as pressure conduit. Provisions must be made for expansion and contraction at each joint with an elastomeric gasket. The bell shall consist of an integral wall section with a factory installed, solid cross section Rieber/other elastomeric gasket, which meets the requirements of ASTM F477. The bell section shall be designed to be at least as hydrostatically strong as the pipe barrel and meet the requirement of AWWA C905. The joint designs shall meet requirements of ASTM D3139, under both pressure and 22 in. Hg vacuum. Sizes and dimensions shall be as shown in this specification.

QUICK BURST TEST

Randomly selected samples tested in accordance with ANSI/UL 1285 shall withstand, without failure, the pressures listed below when applied for 60-70 seconds.

DR	PRESSURE RATING (psi)	MINIMUM BURST
18	235	755
25	165	535
32.5	125	400
41	100	315
51	80	255

FLATTENING TEST

Specimens of pipe, a minimum of 6 in. (150 mm) long, shall be flattened between parallel plates in a suitable press until the distance between the plates is 40 percent of OD of the pipe. The rate of flattening shall be uniform and such that the compression is completed within 2 to 5 minutes. There shall be no evidence of splitting, cracking or breaking.

EXHIBIT "B" - BID PAGE

"PIPES(Reinforced Polyethylene Pipe, Corrugated PVC Storm Sewer Pipes, Corrugated Steel Storm Sewer & Plumbing Pipes and Additional Miscellaneous Items)"- Hidalgo County

RFB NO. 2013-064-02-27-YZV

COMPANY:

CATEGORY (A) - PIPES

REINFORCED POLYTHYLENE PIPE - 20 FOOT JOINTS		
DESCRIPTION	PRICE	
24"		LF
30"		LF
36"		LF
42"		LF
48"		LF
54"		LF
60"		LF
72"		LF
84"		LF
96"		LF

CORRUGATED POLYVINYL CHLORIDE (PVC) STORM SEWER PIPE		
DESCRIPTION	PRICE	
12"		LF
15"		LF
18"		LF
24"		LF
30"		LF
36"		LF
42"		LF
48"		LF

CORRUGATED STEEL STORM SEWER PIPE				
(UNIT PRICE INCLUDES ONE GASKETED BAND CONNECTION FOR EVERY 20 FOOT JOINT)				
DIAMETER	TYPE "IR" PIPE PRICE	TYPE "I" PIPE PRICE	TYPE "IA" PIPE PRICE	
12"				LF
18"				LF
24"				LF
30"				LF
36"				LF
42"				LF
48"				LF
54"				LF
60"				LF
66"				LF
72"				LF

EXHIBIT "B" - BID PAGE

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COMPANY:

CORRUGATED STEEL STORM SEWER PIPE				
(UNIT PRICE INCLUDES ONE GASKETED BAND CONNECTION FOR EVERY 20 FOOT JOINT)				
DIAMETER	TYPE "IR" PIPE PRICE	TYPE "I" PIPE PRICE	TYPE "IA" PIPE PRICE	
78"				LF
84"				LF
90"				LF
96"				LF
102"				LF
108"				LF
114"				LF
120"				LF
126"				LF
132"				LF
138"				LF
144"				LF

PLUMBING PIPES - 20 FOOT SECTIONS			
PVC	PRICE	COPPER	PRICE
½"		½"	
1 ½"		¾"	
2"			
3"			
4"			

AWWA C905 PVC PLASTIC WATER PIPE										
DESCRIPTION	DR 18 PRICE		DR 25 PRICE		DR 32.5 PRICE		DR 41 PRICE		DR 51 PRICE	
14"		LF		LF		LF		LF		LF
16"		LF		LF		LF		LF		LF
18"		LF		LF		LF		LF		LF
24"		LF		LF		LF		LF		LF
30"		LF		LF		LF		LF		LF
36"		LF		LF		LF		LF		LF
42"		LF		LF		LF		LF		LF
48"		LF		LF		LF		LF		LF

EXHIBIT "B" - BID PAGE

"PIPES(Reinforced Polyethylene Pipe, Corrugated PVC Storm Sewer Pipes, Corrugated Steel Storm Sewer & Plumbing Pipes and Additional Miscellaneous Items)"- Hidalgo County
RFB NO. 2013-064-02-27-YZV

COMPANY: _____

CATEGORY (D) - MISCELLANEOUS

PORTABLE WATER SUPPLY ITEMS		
DESCRIPTION	UNIT	PRICE
8" PVC SCHEDULE 40 WATER LINE DR 18	EA	
1.5 " PVC SCHEDULE 40	EA	
0.75 " PVC SCHEDULE 40	EA	
0.5 " PVC SCHEDULE 40	EA	

BIDDER/COMPANY NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP CODE: _____

PHONE No: _____ FAX No: _____ CELL No: _____

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE: _____

PRINTED NAME: _____

TITLE: _____ DATE: _____

EMAIL: _____

EXHIBIT "C"

Insurance Requirements

The Bidder awarded the contract shall furnish proof of insurance, which will also include any subcontractor that is subcontracted by the bidder in at least the following limits, to be in place prior to providing any services under this Contract and to continue at all times in force in effect during the term of this Contract:

1. A Five Hundred Thousand Dollar (\$500,000.00) Comprehensive General Liability insurance policy providing additional coverage to all underlying liabilities of County.
2. Automobile liability insurance policy with limits of at least Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$300,000.00) per person and Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00) per occurrence. Coverage should include injury to or death of persons and property damage claims with limits up to Five Hundred Thousand (\$500,000.00) arising out of the services provided to County hereunder.
3. Uninsured/Underinsured motorist coverage in an amount equal to the bodily injury limits set forth immediately above;
4. Workers compensation insurance in amounts established by Texas law, unless the Bidder is specifically exempted from the Texas Workers Compensation Act, Texas Labor Code Chapter 401, et. seq.

Hidalgo County will only accept certificates of insurance on an Acord form (as attached hereto). Certificates of insurance shall name Hidalgo County as additional insured and must be submitted to County for approval prior to any services being performed by Contractor. Each policy of insurance required hereunder shall extend for a period equivalent to, or longer than the term of the Contract, and any insurer hereunder shall be required to give at least thirty (30) days written notice to the County prior to the cancellation of any such coverage on the termination date, or otherwise. This Contract shall be automatically suspended upon the cancellation, or other termination, of any required policy of insurance hereunder, and such suspension shall continue until evidence adequate replacement coverage is provided to County. If replacement coverage is not provided within thirty (30) days following suspension of the Contract, this Contract shall automatically terminate.

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ACORD		CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE	DATE (MM/DD/YY)
PRODUCER		THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED AS A MATTER OF INFORMATION ONLY AND CONFERS NO RIGHTS UPON THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER. THIS CERTIFICATE DOES NOT AMEND, EXTEND OR ALTER THE COVERAGE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES BELOW.	
		INSURERS AFFORDING COVERAGE	
INSURED		INSURER A:	
		INSURER B:	
		INSURER C:	
		INSURER D:	
		INSURER E:	

COVERAGES

THE POLICIES OF INSURANCE LISTED BELOW HAVE BEEN ISSUED TO THE INSURED NAMED ABOVE FOR THE POLICY PERIOD INDICATED. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY REQUIREMENT, TERM OR CONDITION OF ANY CONTRACT OR OTHER DOCUMENT WITH RESPECT TO WHICH THIS CERTIFICATE MAY BE ISSUED OR MAY PERTAIN, THE INSURANCE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES DESCRIBED HEREIN IS SUBJECT TO ALL THEIR TERMS, EXCLUSIONS AND CONDITIONS OF SUCH POLICIES. AGGREGATE LIMITS SHOWN MAY HAVE BEEN REDUCED BY PAID CLAIMS.

INSR LTR	TYPE OF INSURANCE	POLICY NUMBER	POLICY EFFECTIVE DATE (MM/DD/YY)	POLICY EXPIRATION DATE (MM/DD/YY)	LIMITS	
A	GENERAL LIABILITY				EACH OCCURRENCE	\$
	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY				FIRE DAMAGE (Any one fire)	\$
	<input type="checkbox"/> CLAIMS MADE OCCUR				MEDICAL (Any one person)	\$
	<input type="checkbox"/> OWNER'S & CONT. PROT				PERSONAL & ADV INJURY	\$
	<input type="checkbox"/> OWNER'S PROTECTIVE LIABILITY				ANNUAL AGGREGATE	\$
	<input type="checkbox"/> GEN'L AGGREGATE LIMIT APPLIES PER: POLICY PROJECT <input type="checkbox"/> LOC				PRODUCTS - COMP/OP	\$
B	AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY				COMBINED SINGLE LIMIT (Ea accident)	\$
	<input type="checkbox"/> ANY AUTO				BODILY INJURY (Per person)	\$
	<input type="checkbox"/> ALL OWNED AUTOS				BODILY INJURY (Per accident)	\$
	<input type="checkbox"/> SCHEDULED AUTOS				PROPERTY DAMAGE (Per accident)	\$
	GARAGE LIABILITY				AUTO ONLY-EA ACCIDENT	\$
	<input type="checkbox"/> ANY AUTO				OTHER THAN AUTO ONLY	EA ACC AGG \$
						\$
C	EXCESS LIABILITY				EACH OCCURENCE	\$
	<input type="checkbox"/> OCCUR <input type="checkbox"/> CLAIMS MADE				AGGREGATE	\$
	<input type="checkbox"/> DEDUCTIBLE					\$
	<input type="checkbox"/> RETENTION \$					\$
D	WORKERS COMPENSATION AND EMPLOYER'S LIABILITY				WC STATUTORY LIMITS	OTHER \$
					E.L. EACH ACCIDENT	\$
					E.L. DISEASE-EA EMPLOYEE	\$
					E.L. DISEASE-POLICY LIMIT	\$
	OTHER					

DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS / LOCATION / VEHICLES / EXCLUSIONS ADDED BY ENDORSEMENT / SPECIAL PROVISIONS
 County of Hidalgo shall be named as additional insured on all Commercial General Liability policies.

CERTIFICATE HOLDER	ADDITIONAL INSURED; INSURER LETTER:	CANCELLATION
Hidalgo County Attn: Purchasing Department 2812 S Highway Bus. 281 Edinburg, Texas 78539		SHOULD ANY OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED POLICIES BE CANCELLED BEFORE THE EXPIRATION DATE THEREOF, THE ISSUING INSURER WILL ENDEAVOR TO MAIL 30 DAYS WRITTEN NOTICE TO THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER NAMED TO THE LEFT, BUT FAILURE TO DO SO SHALL IMPOSE NO OBLIGATION OR LIABILITY OF ANY KIND UPON THE INSURER, ITS AGENT'S OR REPRESENTATIVES. AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE

Insurance Requirement Acknowledgment

I, _____, authorized representative for _____
Company/Vendor

hereby acknowledge receipt of the County's required insurance limits. Said requirements:

- will be acquired within 10 working days after notification from Purchasing Department of bid awarded by the Hidalgo County Commissioners= Court;
- will acquire additional amounts required to meet the County's requirements within 10 working days after notification from Purchasing Department of bid award by the Hidalgo County Commissioners= Court; currently carry the following:

Automobile Liability: \$ _____ General Liability: \$ _____

- have already been met, see attached copy of insurance certificate.

Authorized Representative

Date

Notice to Bidder:

A certificate of insurance for the required insurance limits shall be provided to the Purchasing Department's Contract Managers in order to qualify for award of bid and to execute a contract between your Company and the County

Failure to provide Certificates of Insurance to the Purchasing Department's Contract Managers will cause the bid award to be rescinded and re-awarded to next lowest bidder. Certificates of Insurance will be monitored and verified on a **quarterly basis** to ensure coverage policy is in place. It is the Company's obligation to maintain the appropriate insurance coverage throughout the term of the contract.

THIS FORM MUST ACCOMPANY BID PACKET

PROJECT REQUIREMENTS ACKNOWLEDGMENT

This is to certify that I, _____, possess all of the APPLICABLE:

1. Licenses: _____
2. Bonds: _____
3. Certificates: _____
4. Permits: _____
5. Other: _____

necessary to carry out the required project. Furthermore, I am providing copies of the required documentation so that, if my company is awarded this bid, I may be eligible to enter into a contract with Hidalgo County and proceed to complete the project in a timely manner.

* Any licenses, bonds, certificates, permits, etc. which are required must be presented as part of the bid packet in order to expedite the bid evaluation process. Failure to provide said documentation will result in the disqualification of your bid.

Authorized Signature

Date

Company

Address

City, State, Zip

EXHIBIT "D"

CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE

FORM CIQ

For vendor or other person doing business with local governmental entity

This questionnaire reflects changes made to the law by H.B. 1491, 80th Leg., Regular Session. This questionnaire is being filed in accordance with Chapter 176, Local Government Code by a person who has a business relationship as defined by Section 176.001(1-a) with a local governmental entity and the person meets requirements under Section 176.006(a).

By law this questionnaire must be filed with the records administrator of the local governmental entity not later than the 7th business day after the date the person becomes aware of facts that require the statement to be filed. See Section 176.006, Local Government Code.

A person commits an offense if the person knowingly violates Section 176.006. Local Government Code. An offense under this section is a Class C misdemeanor.

OFFICE USE ONLY

Date Received

1 Name of person who has a business relationship with local governmental entity.

2 [] Check this box if you are filing an update to a previously filed questionnaire.

(The law requires that you file an updated completed questionnaire with the appropriate filing authority not later than the 7th business day after the date the originally filed questionnaire becomes incomplete or inaccurate.)

3 Name of local government officer with whom filer has employment or business relationship.

Name of Officer

This section (item 3 including subparts A, B, C & D) must be completed for each officer with whom the filer has an employment or other business relationship as defined by Section 176.001(1-a), Local Government Code. Attach additional pages to this Form CIQ as necessary.

A. Is the local government officer named in this section receiving or likely to receive taxable income, other than investment income, from the filer of the questionnaire?

[] Yes [] No

B. Is the filer of the questionnaire receiving or likely to receive taxable income, other than investment income, from or at the direction of the local government officer named in this section AND the taxable income is not received from the local governmental entity?

[] Yes [] No

C. Is the filer of this questionnaire employed by a corporation or other business entity with respect to which the local government officer serves as an officer or director, or holds an ownership of 10 percent or more?

[] Yes [] No

D. Describe each employment or business relationship with the local government officer named in this section.

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Signature of person doing business with the governmental entity

Date

HISTORICALLY UNDERUTILIZED BUSINESS (HUB) DECLARATION

The primary objective of the Hidalgo County HUB Program is to ensure Historically Underutilized Businesses receive a fair and equal opportunity for participation in the County's procurement process. This fact holds true for Services (Professional & Non-Professional), Commodities, and Construction contracts and any subcontracts thereto. The program strongly encourages Prime Contractors to provide subcontracting opportunities to Certified Hub Contractors/Vendors. Our goal for HUB contractor/vendor participation, as well as HUB subcontractor participation is 30%. To be considered as a "Certified HUB Contractor/Vendor" the contractor/vendor must have been certified by, and hold a current and valid certification with any of the three agencies listed below.

Have you been Certified as a HUB or an MBE/WBE source?: Yes No

If yes, by whom?: Texas Building & Procurement Commission Other _____

Indicate Certification No(s): _____ or Are Certificate(s) Attached?: Yes No

LIST OF CERTIFIED HUB SUBCONTRACTORS
(Attach additional pages if necessary)

What percentage of the Bid, RFP, or RFQ is to be subcontracted with Certified HUB sources?: _____ %
(List HUB Subcontractor information below).

HUB Subcontractor Name: _____ HUB Status: _____
Certifying Agency (Check all applicable): Texas Building & Procurement Commission other
Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Contact Person: _____ Title: _____ Phone No.: () _____
Subcontract Amount: \$ _____ Description of Work to be Performed: _____

HUB Subcontractor Name: _____ HUB Status: _____
Certifying Agency (Check all applicable): Texas Building & Procurement Commission other
Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Contact Person: _____ Title: _____ Phone No.: () _____
Subcontract Amount: \$ _____ Description of Work to be Performed: _____

HUB Subcontractor Name: _____ HUB Status: _____
Certifying Agency (Check all applicable): Texas Building & Procurement Commission other
Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Contact Person: _____ Title: _____ Phone No.: () _____
Subcontract Amount: \$ _____ Description of Work to be Performed: _____

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/disregarded entity name, if different from above	
	Check appropriate box for federal tax classification (required): <input type="checkbox"/> Individual/sole proprietor <input type="checkbox"/> C Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> S Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership <input type="checkbox"/> Trust/estate	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (C=C corporation, S=S corporation, P=partnership) ▶	<input type="checkbox"/> Exempt payee
	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (see instructions) ▶	
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 the "Name" line 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									

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

Employer identification number									

Part II Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

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

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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General Instructions

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

Purpose of Form

A person who is required to file an information return with the IRS must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) to report, for example, income paid to you, real estate transactions, mortgage interest you paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, or contributions you made to an IRA.

Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN to the person requesting it (the requester) and, when applicable, to:

1. Certify that the TIN you are giving is correct (or you are waiting for a number to be issued),
2. Certify that you are not subject to backup withholding, or
3. Claim exemption from backup withholding if you are a U.S. exempt payee. If applicable, you are also certifying that as a U.S. person, your allocable share of any partnership income from a U.S. trade or business is not subject to the withholding tax on foreign partners' share of effectively connected income.

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

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

- An individual who is a U.S. citizen or U.S. resident alien,
- A partnership, corporation, company, or association created or organized in the United States or under the laws of the United States,
- An estate (other than a foreign estate), or
- A domestic trust (as defined in Regulations section 301.7701-7).

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

The person who gives Form W-9 to the partnership for purposes of establishing its U.S. status and avoiding withholding on its allocable share of net income from the partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States is in the following cases:

- The U.S. owner of a disregarded entity and not the entity,
- The U.S. grantor or other owner of a grantor trust and not the trust, and
- The U.S. trust (other than a grantor trust) and not the beneficiaries of the trust.

Foreign person. If you are a foreign person, do not use Form W-9. Instead, use the appropriate Form W-8 (see Publication 515, Withholding of Tax on Nonresident Aliens and Foreign Entities).

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

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

1. The treaty country. Generally, this must be the same treaty under which you claimed exemption from tax as a nonresident alien.
2. The treaty article addressing the income.
3. The article number (or location) in the tax treaty that contains the saving clause and its exceptions.
4. The type and amount of income that qualifies for the exemption from tax.
5. Sufficient facts to justify the exemption from tax under the terms of the treaty article.

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

If you are a nonresident alien or a foreign entity not subject to backup withholding, give the requester the appropriate completed Form W-8.

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

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

Payments you receive will be subject to backup withholding if:

1. You do not furnish your TIN to the requester,
2. You do not certify your TIN when required (see the Part II instructions on page 3 for details),
3. The IRS tells the requester that you furnished an incorrect TIN,
4. The IRS tells you that you are subject to backup withholding because you did not report all your interest and dividends on your tax return (for reportable interest and dividends only), or
5. You do not certify to the requester that you are not subject to backup withholding under 4 above (for reportable interest and dividend accounts opened after 1983 only).

Certain payees and payments are exempt from backup withholding. See the instructions below and the separate instructions for the Requester of Form W-9.

Also see *Special rules for partnerships* on page 1.

Updating Your Information

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

Penalties

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

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

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

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

Specific Instructions

Name

If you are an individual, you must generally enter the name shown on your income tax return. However, if you have changed your last name, for instance, due to marriage without informing the Social Security Administration of the name change, enter your first name, the last name shown on your social security card, and your new last name.

If the account is in joint names, list first, and then circle, the name of the person or entity whose number you entered in Part I of the form.

Sole proprietor. Enter your individual name as shown on your income tax return on the "Name" line. You may enter your business, trade, or "doing business as (DBA)" name on the "Business name/disregarded entity name" line.

Partnership, C Corporation, or S Corporation. Enter the entity's name on the "Name" line and any business, trade, or "doing business as (DBA) name" on the "Business name/disregarded entity name" line.

Disregarded entity. Enter the owner's name on the "Name" line. The name of the entity entered on the "Name" line should never be a disregarded entity. The name on the "Name" line must be the name shown on the income tax return on which the income will be reported. For example, if a foreign LLC that is treated as a disregarded entity for U.S. federal tax purposes has a domestic owner, the domestic owner's name is required to be provided on the "Name" line. If the direct owner of the entity is also a disregarded entity, enter the first owner that is not disregarded for federal tax purposes. Enter the disregarded entity's name on the "Business name/disregarded entity name" line. If the owner of the disregarded entity is a foreign person, you must complete an appropriate Form W-8.

Note. Check the appropriate box for the federal tax classification of the person whose name is entered on the "Name" line (Individual/sole proprietor, Partnership, C Corporation, S Corporation, Trust/estate).

Limited Liability Company (LLC). If the person identified on the "Name" line is an LLC, check the "Limited liability company" box only and enter the appropriate code for the tax classification in the space provided. If you are an LLC that is treated as a partnership for federal tax purposes, enter "P" for partnership. If you are an LLC that has filed a Form 8832 or a Form 2553 to be taxed as a corporation, enter "C" for C corporation or "S" for S corporation. If you are an LLC that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner under Regulation section 301.7701-3 (except for employment and excise tax), do not check the LLC box unless the owner of the LLC (required to be identified on the "Name" line) is another LLC that is not disregarded for federal tax purposes. If the LLC is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner, enter the appropriate tax classification of the owner identified on the "Name" line.

Other entities. Enter your business name as shown on required federal tax documents on the "Name" line. This name should match the name shown on the charter or other legal document creating the entity. You may enter any business, trade, or DBA name on the "Business name/disregarded entity name" line.

Exempt Payee

If you are exempt from backup withholding, enter your name as described above and check the appropriate box for your status, then check the "Exempt payee" box in the line following the "Business name/disregarded entity name," sign and date the form.

Generally, individuals (including sole proprietors) are not exempt from backup withholding. Corporations are exempt from backup withholding for certain payments, such as interest and dividends.

Note. If you are exempt from backup withholding, you should still complete this form to avoid possible erroneous backup withholding.

The following payees are exempt from backup withholding:

1. An organization exempt from tax under section 501(a), any IRA, or a custodial account under section 403(b)(7) if the account satisfies the requirements of section 401(f)(2),
 2. The United States or any of its agencies or instrumentalities,
 3. A state, the District of Columbia, a possession of the United States, or any of their political subdivisions or instrumentalities,
 4. A foreign government or any of its political subdivisions, agencies, or instrumentalities, or
 5. An international organization or any of its agencies or instrumentalities.
- Other payees that may be exempt from backup withholding include:
6. A corporation,
 7. A foreign central bank of issue,
 8. A dealer in securities or commodities required to register in the United States, the District of Columbia, or a possession of the United States,
 9. A futures commission merchant registered with the Commodity Futures Trading Commission,
 10. A real estate investment trust,
 11. An entity registered at all times during the tax year under the Investment Company Act of 1940,
 12. A common trust fund operated by a bank under section 584(a),
 13. A financial institution,
 14. A middleman known in the investment community as a nominee or custodian, or
 15. A trust exempt from tax under section 664 or described in section 4947.

The following chart shows types of payments that may be exempt from backup withholding. The chart applies to the exempt payees listed above, 1 through 15.

IF the payment is for . . .	THEN the payment is exempt for . . .
Interest and dividend payments	All exempt payees except for 9
Broker transactions	Exempt payees 1 through 5 and 7 through 13. Also, C corporations.
Barter exchange transactions and patronage dividends	Exempt payees 1 through 5
Payments over \$600 required to be reported and direct sales over \$5,000 ¹	Generally, exempt payees 1 through 7 ²

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

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

Part I. Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

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

If you are a sole proprietor and you have an EIN, you may enter either your SSN or EIN. However, the IRS prefers that you use your SSN.

If you are a single-member LLC that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner (see *Limited Liability Company (LLC)* on page 2), enter the owner's SSN (or EIN, if the owner has one). Do not enter the disregarded entity's EIN. If the LLC is classified as a corporation or partnership, enter the entity's EIN.

Note. See the chart on page 4 for further clarification of name and TIN combinations.

How to get a TIN. If you do not have a TIN, apply for one immediately. To apply for an SSN, get Form SS-5, Application for a Social Security Card, from your local Social Security Administration office or get this form online at www.ssa.gov. You may also get this form by calling 1-800-772-1213. Use Form W-7, Application for IRS Individual Taxpayer Identification Number, to apply for an ITIN, or Form SS-4, Application for Employer Identification Number, to apply for an EIN. You can apply for an EIN online by accessing the IRS website at www.irs.gov/businesses and clicking on Employer Identification Number (EIN) under Starting a Business. You can get Forms W-7 and SS-4 from the IRS by visiting IRS.gov or by calling 1-800-TAX-FORM (1-800-829-3676).

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

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

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

Part II. Certification

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

For a joint account, only the person whose TIN is shown in Part I should sign (when required). In the case of a disregarded entity, the person identified on the "Name" line must sign. Exempt payees, see *Exempt Payee* on page 3.

Signature requirements. Complete the certification as indicated in items 1 through 3, below, and items 4 and 5 on page 4.

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

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

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

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

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

What Name and Number To Give the Requester

For this type of account:	Give name and SSN of:
1. Individual	The individual
2. Two or more individuals (joint account)	The actual owner of the account or, if combined funds, the first individual on the account ¹
3. Custodian account of a minor (Uniform Gift to Minors Act)	The minor ²
4. a. The usual revocable savings trust (grantor is also trustee) b. So-called trust account that is not a legal or valid trust under state law	The grantor-trustee ³ The actual owner ³
5. Sole proprietorship or disregarded entity owned by an individual	The owner ³
6. Grantor trust filing under Optional Form 1099 Filing Method 1 (see Regulation section 1.671-4(b)(2)(i)(A))	The grantor ⁴
For this type of account:	Give name and EIN of:
7. Disregarded entity not owned by an individual	The owner
8. A valid trust, estate, or pension trust	Legal entity ⁴
9. Corporation or LLC electing corporate status on Form 8832 or Form 2553	The corporation
10. Association, club, religious, charitable, educational, or other tax-exempt organization	The organization
11. Partnership or multi-member LLC	The partnership
12. A broker or registered nominee	The broker or nominee
13. Account with the Department of Agriculture in the name of a public entity (such as a state or local government, school district, or prison) that receives agricultural program payments	The public entity
14. Grantor trust filing under the Form 1041 Filing Method or the Optional Form 1099 Filing Method 2 (see Regulation section 1.671-4(b)(2)(i)(B))	The trust

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

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

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

⁴ List first and circle the name of the trust, estate, or pension trust. (Do not furnish the TIN of the personal representative or trustee unless the legal entity itself is not designated in the account title.) Also see *Special rules for partnerships* on page 1.

*Note. Grantor also must provide a Form W-9 to trustee of trust.

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

Secure Your Tax Records from Identity Theft

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

To reduce your risk:

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

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

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

For more information, see Publication 4535, Identity Theft Prevention and Victim Assistance.

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

Protect yourself from suspicious emails or phishing schemes. Phishing is the creation and use of email and websites designed to mimic legitimate business emails and websites. The most common act is sending an email to a user falsely claiming to be an established legitimate enterprise in an attempt to scam the user into surrendering private information that will be used for identity theft.

The IRS does not initiate contacts with taxpayers via emails. Also, the IRS does not request personal detailed information through email or ask taxpayers for the PIN numbers, passwords, or similar secret access information for their credit card, bank, or other financial accounts.

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

Visit IRS.gov to learn more about identity theft and how to reduce your risk.

Privacy Act Notice

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

REQUIREMENTS AGREEMENT
C-2013-064-00-00

THIS AGREEMENT (the "Agreement") is entered into effective as of _____, by and between _____ ("Seller") and Hidalgo County ("Buyer").

WHEREAS, Buyer has solicited proposals for the supply of its requirements of "Pipes-(Reinforced Polyethylene Pipe, Corrugated PVC and Steel Storm Sewer Pipes, Plumbing Pipes and Additional Miscellaneous Items", as further described in Exhibit "A" which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference for all purposes (the "Products") ; and

WHEREAS, Seller has submitted a proposal to supply Buyer's requirements; and

WHEREAS, Buyer has determined that Seller has submitted the lowest and best bid to meet Buyer's requirements for the Product.

NOW THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the mutual covenants and conditions hereinafter set forth, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. Buyer agrees to purchase from Seller, and Seller agrees to sell to Buyer, all of the Products that Buyer may require for use by Buyer of in the areas of HIDALGO COUNTY projects for a period to commence MONTH DAY, 2013 through MONTH DAY, 2013. Hidalgo County reserves the right to continue this bid for an additional sixty (60) day grace period under the same rates, terms and conditions at the end of the contract term for unforeseen delay in award of new bid for next contract term and it is agreed that the Products will meet the specifications set forth in Exhibit "A" hereto.
2. When Buyer determines that it needs a quantity of the Products to be delivered, it will, according to its Purchasing Policies, complete and submit to

Seller a Purchase Order describing the type and quantity of the Products required. The Products are to be delivered by Buyer to the location in Hidalgo County specified by Buyer in its Purchase Order.

3. Buyer agrees to pay Seller for each Purchase Order based on the prices set out in Exhibit "B". Seller shall render invoices for each Purchase Order, and the invoices shall be paid by Buyer on or before the 30th day following receipt of the invoice.

4. **General Provisions.**

a. **Conflict with Applicable Law.** Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed so as to require the commission of any act contrary to law, and whenever there is any conflict between any provision of this Agreement and any present or future law, ordinance or administrative, executive or judicial regulation, order or decree, or amendment thereof, contrary to which the parties have no legal right to contract, the latter shall prevail, but in such event the affected provision or provisions of this Agreement shall be modified only to the extent necessary to bring them within the legal requirements and only during the time such conflict exists.

b. **No Waiver.** No waiver by Buyer of any breach of any provision of this Agreement shall be deemed to be a waiver of any preceding or succeeding breach of the same or any other provision hereof.

c. **Entire Agreement.** This Agreement contains the entire contract between the parties hereto, and each party acknowledges that neither has made (either directly or through any agent or representative) any representations or agreements in connection with this Agreement not specifically set forth herein. This Agreement may be modified or amended only by agreement in writing executed by Buyer and Seller, and not otherwise.

d. **Texas Law to Apply.** This Agreement shall be construed under and in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas, and all obligations of

the parties created hereunder are performable in Hidalgo County, Texas. The parties hereby consent to personal jurisdiction in Hidalgo County, Texas.

e. **Notice.** Except as may be otherwise specifically provided in this Agreement, all notices, demands, requests or communications required or permitted hereunder shall be in writing and shall either be (i) personally delivered against a written receipt, or (ii) sent by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid and addressed to the parties at the addresses set forth below, or at such other addresses as may have been theretofore specified by written notice delivered in accordance herewith:

If to Buyer:

Hidalgo County
Attention: County Judge
302 West University Drive
Edinburg, Texas 78539

If to Seller:

Each notice, demand, request or communication which shall be delivered or mailed in the manner described above shall be deemed sufficiently given for all purposes at such time as it is personally delivered to the addressee or, if mailed, at such time as it is deposited in the United States mail.

f. **Additional Documents.** The parties hereto covenant and agree that they will execute such other and further instruments and documents as are or may become necessary or convenient to effectuate and carry out the terms of this Agreement.

g. **Successors.** This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective heirs, executors,

administrators, legal representatives, successors, and assigns where permitted by this Agreement.

h. **Assignment.** This Agreement shall not be assignable.

i. **Headings.** The headings and captions contained in this Agreement are solely for convenient reference and shall not be deemed to affect the meaning or interpretation of any provision or paragraph hereof.

j. **Gender and Number.** All pronouns used in this Agreement shall include the other gender, whether used in the masculine, feminine or neuter gender, and the singular shall include the plural whenever and as often as may be appropriate

k. **Authority to Execute.** The execution and performance of this Agreement by Buyer and Seller have been duly authorized by all necessary laws, resolutions or corporate action, and this Agreement constitutes the valid and enforceable obligations of Buyer and Seller in accordance with its terms.

l. **Commitment of Current Revenues Only.** In the event that, during any term hereof, the Commissioners Court does not appropriate sufficient funds to meet the obligations of Buyer under this Agreement, Buyer may terminate this Agreement upon ninety (90) days written notice to Seller. Buyer agrees, however, to use reasonable efforts to secure funds necessary for the continued performance of this Agreement. The parties intend this provision to be a continuing right to terminate this Agreement at the expiration of each budget period of Buyer pursuant to the provisions of Tex. Loc. Govt. Code Ann. § 271.903 (Vernon Supp. 1996).

m. Any contract award to a successful bidder will be in effect until (a) contract expires, (b) delivery and acceptance of products, and/or performance of services ordered, or (c) terminated by County without cause with thirty day's written notice prior to cancellation.

n. **Purchasing Ethics.** Seller represents and warrants it has not, during the process of being awarded this contract violated the following ethical standards of Buyer and, upon and after the execution of this Agreement, agrees to abide by the following ethical standards of Buyer:

- (1) It shall be a breach of ethics to offer, give or agree to give any elected official, department head or employee, or former elected official, department head or employee, of Hidalgo County, or for any elected official, department head or employee or former elected official, department head or employee of Hidalgo County, to solicit, demand, accept or agree to accept from another person, entity or organization, a gratuity or an officer of employment in connection with any decision, approval, disapproval, recommendation, preparation or any part of a program requirement or purchase request, influencing the content of any specification or procurement standard, rendering of advise, investigation, auditing, or in any other advisory capacity in any proceeding or application, request for ruling, determination, claim or controversy, or other particular matter pertaining to any program requirement or a contract or subcontract, or to any solicitation or proposal therefore pending before any department or agency of Hidalgo County.
- (2) It shall be a breach of ethics for any payment, gratuity or offer of employment to be made by or on behalf of a subcontractor under a contract to the prime contractor or higher tier subcontractor for any contract for Hidalgo County, or any person associated therewith, as an inducement for the award of a subcontract or order.

EXECUTED effective as of the day and year first above written.

HIDALGO COUNTY

Ramon Garcia, County Judge

ATTEST:

Arturo Guajardo, Jr., County Clerk

VENDOR:

By: _____

Printed Name: _____

Company: _____

Approved on Commissioners' Court: _____

APPROVED AS TO FORM

Atlas & Hall, L.L.P.

By: _____

Stephen Crain

**Certification
Regarding Debarment, Suspension and Ineligibility**

As is required by the Federal Regulations Implementing Executive Order 12549, Debarment and Suspension, 45 CFR Part 76, Government-wide Debarment and Suspension, the applicant certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that both it and its principals:

- a. Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any federal department or agency;
- b. Have not within a three-year period preceding this bid proposal and/or application been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (federal, state, or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction, violation of federal or state antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;
- c. Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a government entity with commission of any of the offenses enumerated herein; and
- d. Have not within a three-year period preceding this bid proposal and/or application had one or more public transactions terminated for cause or default.

Signature: _____
Print Name: _____
Title: _____
Telephone Number: _____
Date: _____

If the bidder is unable to certify to all of the statements in this Certification, such bidder should attach an explanation to this proposal.

**EXHIBIT “B”
BID PAGE(S)**

TERM: MARCH 19, 2013 THRU FEBRUARY 28, 2014

CATEGORY A – "PIPES"

REINFORCED POLYTHYLENE PIPE – 20 FOOT JOINT

	CONTECH ENGINEERED SOLUTIONS LLC
24"	
30"	
36"	
42"	
48"	
54"	101.12 ★
60"	
66"	189.58 ★
72"	199.81 ★
84"	254.59 ★
96"	279.08 ★

CORRUGATED POLYVINYL CHLORIDE (PVC) STORM SEWER PIPE

12"	4.54 ★
15"	6.99 ★
18"	9.93 ★
24"	19.94 ★
30"	26.10 ★
36"	41.48 ★
42"	
48"	

CORRUGATED STEEL STORM SEWER PIPE (TYPE "IR", "I" AND "IA")

TYPE "IR"	
12"	
18"	17.25 ★
24"	23.00 ★
30"	28.75 ★
36"	34.50 ★
42"	42.00 ★
48"	50.00 ★
54"	61.25 ★
60"	71.50 ★
66"	124.20 ★
72"	135.00 ★
78"	145.80 ★

CONTECH ENGINEERED SOLUTIONS INC.

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CATEGORY "A" PIPES	
	CONTECH ENGINEERED SOLUTIONS LLC
84"	156.00★
90"	175.00★
96"	186.20★
102"	196.00★
108"	
114"	
120"	
126"	
132"	
138"	
144"	
TYPE "I"	
12"	
18"	
24"	
30"	
36"	
42"	
48"	
54"	99.60★
60"	110.40★
66"	121.20★
72"	132.00★
78"	142.80★
84"	153.60★
90"	164.40★
96"	176.40★
102"	186.00★
108"	198.00★
114"	208.80★
120"	219.60★
126"	234.00★
132"	244.80★
138"	255.60★
144"	338.40★

CONTECH ENGINEERED SOLUTIONS INC.

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TERM: MARCH 19, 2013 THRU FEBRUARY 28, 2014

CATEGORY "A" PIPES

CORRUGATED STEEL STORM SEWER PIPE CONTINUATION

TYPE "IA"	CONTECH ENGINEERED SOLUTIONS LLC
12"	
18"	
24"	
30"	
36"	
42"	
48"	
54"	
60"	
66"	174.00★
72"	188.40★
78"	201.60★
84"	217.20★
90"	232.80★
96"	249.60★
102"	266.40★
108"	282.00★
114"	297.60★
120"	338.00★
126"	358.80★
132"	375.70★
138"	390.00★
144"	552.50★

EXHIBIT "B" - BID PAGE

"PIPES(Reinforced Polyethylene Pipe, Corrugated PVC Storm Sewer Pipes, Corrugated Steel Storm Sewer & Plumbing Pipes and Additional Miscellaneous Items)"- Hidalgo County

RFB NO. 2013-064-02-27-YZV

COMPANY: Contech Engineered Solutions LLC

CATEGORY (A) - PIPES

SEE ATTACHED

24 FOOT JOINTS

REINFORCED POLYTHYLENE PIPE - 20 24 FOOT JOINTS		
DESCRIPTION	PRICE	
24"	<i>No Bid</i>	LF
30"	<i>37.30</i>	LF
36"	<i>56.54</i>	LF
42"	<i>67.86</i>	LF
48"	<i>72.76</i>	LF
54"	<i>101.12</i>	LF
60"	<i>112.27</i>	LF
72"	<i>160 189.54 199.81</i>	LF
84"	<i>160 199.81 259.59</i>	LF
96"	<i>160 254.59 279.08</i>	LF

CORRUGATED POLYVINYL CHLORIDE (PVC) STORM SEWER PIPE		
DESCRIPTION	PRICE	
12"	<i>4.54</i>	LF
15"	<i>6.99</i>	LF
18"	<i>9.93</i>	LF
24"	<i>19.94</i>	LF
30"	<i>26.10</i>	LF
36"	<i>41.48</i>	LF
42"	<i>NO BID</i>	LF
48"	<i>NO BID</i>	LF

CORRUGATED STEEL STORM SEWER PIPE			
(UNIT PRICE INCLUDES ONE GASKETED BAND CONNECTION FOR EVERY 20 FOOT JOINT)			
DIAMETER	TYPE "IR" PIPE PRICE	TYPE "I" PIPE PRICE	TYPE "IA" PIPE PRICE
12"	<i>NO BID</i>		
18"	<i>17.25</i>		
24"	<i>23.00</i>		
30"	<i>28.75</i>	<i>No Bid</i>	<i>No Bid</i>
36"	<i>34.50</i>		
42"	<i>42.00</i>		
48"	<i>50.00</i>		
54"	<i>61.25</i>	<i>99.60</i>	
60"	<i>71.50</i>	<i>110.40</i>	
66"	<i>124.20</i>	<i>121.20</i>	<i>174</i>
72"	<i>135.00</i>	<i>132</i>	<i>188.40</i>

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2-27-13

Witnessed

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**"PIPES(Reinforced Polyethylene Pipe, Corrugated PVC Storm Sewer Pipes,
Corrugated Steel Storm Sewer & Plumbing Pipes and Additional Miscellaneous
Items)"- Hidalgo County
RFB NO. 2013-064-02-27-YZV**

COMPANY:

CORRUGATED STEEL STORM SEWER PIPE (UNIT PRICE INCLUDES ONE GASKETED BAND CONNECTION FOR EVERY 20 FOOT JOINT)				
DIAMETER	TYPE "IR" PIPE PRICE	TYPE "I" PIPE PRICE	TYPE "IA" PIPE PRICE	
78"	145.00	142.80	201.60	LF
84"	156.00	153.60	217.20	LF
90"	175.00	164.40	232.8	LF
96"	186.20	176.40	249.60	LF
102"	196.00	146	266.40	LF
108"		198	282	LF
114"		208.8	297.60	LF
120"		219.60	338	LF
126"		234.00	358.80	LF
132"		244.80	375.70	LF
138"		255.60	390	LF
144"		338.40	552.50	LF

PLUMBING PIPES - 20 FOOT SECTIONS			
PVC	PRICE	COPPER	PRICE
1/2"		1/2"	
1 1/2"		3/4"	
2"			
3"			
4"			

NO BID

AWWA C905 PVC PLASTIC WATER PIPE									
DESCRIPTION	DR 18 PRICE	DR 25 PRICE	DR 32.5 PRICE	DR 41 PRICE	DR 51 PRICE				
14"	LF	LF	LF	LF	LF				LF
16"	LF	LF	LF	LF	LF				LF
18"	LF	LF	LF	LF	LF				LF
24"	LF	LF	LF	LF	LF				LF
30"	LF	LF	LF	LF	LF				LF
36"	LF	LF	LF	LF	LF				LF
42"	LF	LF	LF	LF	LF				LF
48"	LF	LF	LF	LF	LF				LF

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**"PIPES(Reinforced Polyethylene Pipe, Corrugated PVC Storm Sewer Pipes, Corrugated Steel Storm Sewer & Plumbing Pipes and Additional Miscellaneous Items)"- Hidalgo County
RFB NO. 2013-064-02-27-YZV**

COMPANY:

CATEGORY (D) - MISCELLANEOUS

PORTABLE WATER SUPPLY ITEMS		
DESCRIPTION	UNIT	PRICE
8" PVC SCHEDULE 40 WATER LINE DR 18	EA	<i>No Bid</i>
1.5 " PVC SCHEDULE 40	EA	
0.75 " PVC SCHEDULE 40	EA	
0.5 " PVC SCHEDULE 40	EA	

BIDDER/COMPANY NAME: CONTECH ENGINEERED SOLUTIONS, LLC
ADDRESS: 2201 West Royal Lane, Suite 170
CITY: Irving STATE: TEXAS ZIP CODE: 75063
PHONE No: 972-590-2000 FAX No: 972-590-2039 CELL No: (210)315-9505

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE: *[Signature]*
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TITLE: SALES ENGINEER DATE: 2/26/13
EMAIL: kbain@conteches.com

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FOR REINFORCED POLYETHYLENE PIPE

Hidalgo County Bid
2/25/2013

Diameter (in)	Minimum Quantities (LF)	HP or EF \$/lf	Truckloads
30	432	\$ 37.30	1
36	192	\$ 56.54	1
42	192	\$ 67.86	1
48	192	\$ 72.76	1
54	96	\$ 101.12	1
60	96	\$ 112.27	1
66	48	\$ 189.58	1
72	48	\$ 199.81	1
84	48	\$ 254.59	1
96	48	\$ 279.08	1

Notes:

1. All Material provided in standard 24' lengths. None standard lengths would be at an additional cost.
2. 30" through 72" diameter provided with a bell and spigot connection.
3. 84" and 96" diameter includes 1 Electro Fusion Coupler per 24' length of pipe. Coupler and installation included in unit price based on a minimum of 152' of pipe.
4. Material pricing based on minimum truckload quantities.

**EXHIBIT “C”
INSURANCE**

