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## **SOLICITATION AMENDMENT #1**

August 10, 2017

Solicitation Number: 110.7-17-064

**Title:** Industrial Water Supply Infrastructure Financial Analysis

Deadline for Receipt of Insert Bids or Proposals: 8/18/2017 @ 5:00 PM CT

Solicitation Issued: 7/19/2017

Section 1 states, a solicitation amendment will be issued if changes are made to this Request for Informal Bid. The responses, including any necessary amendments, are as follows:

1. Question: In the event that this offeror is awarded the contract we intend on requesting a monthly retainer. Will that conflict with the terms of section 2 d. of the service contract?

Response: The Attorney General and State Auditor discourage the use of prepayment provisions.

No amendment necessary.

2. Question: Should the offeror be selected to do the evaluation for the State in accordance with the terms of this RFP will that preclude us from being appointed a financial advisor to the State on behalf of WAWSA to provide any additional advisory services post the conclusion of the initial service?

Response: No. The offeror would not be prohibited from being appointed as a financial advisor.

No amendment necessary.

3. Question: Is the Indemnification language included in Section 7 of the Service Contract standard for all vendor contracts with the State of North Dakota? The language is quite broad, and our counsel may require some modification.

Response: Yes, this is standard template language and there are some areas that can be negotiated.

No amendment necessary.

4. Question: What is available for an inventory of the existing water supply, and is it electronic or paper based?

Response: A paper copy listing the depots and taps can be provided. If reference is to an inventory of parts, there is no inventory of parts.

No amendment necessary.

5. Question: Does it include just major components or are there details as well, such as metering equipment?

Response: There is no listing, either electronic or paper, of the various components of the depots.

No amendment necessary.

6. Question: What information is available related to an operations and maintenance history including cost?

Response: There is no listing of the maintenance costs for each of the depots. Annual numbers for operations and maintenance costs can be made available for industrial sales operations.

No amendment necessary.

7. Question: Does the part of the system to be evaluated include segments of pipeline?

Response: The Western Area Water Supply Authority project has been built for domestic use and the pipelines are part of the domestic system so pipelines are not part of the system to be evaluated for sale. Domestic use will always have priority on the pipelines. Access to water is available through purchase agreements.

No amendment necessary.

Bidders are instructed to acknowledge receipt of and compliance with this amendment by signing below and returning the Solicitation Amendment Acknowledgement page with your solicitation response.

Questions regarding this amendment must be submitted in writing to the Procurement Officer.

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## AMENDMENT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

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**Title:** Industrial Water Supply Infrastructure Financial Analysis **Solicitation Amendment Number:** 1

By my signature below, I hereby acknowledge receipt of and compliance with this amendment.

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