



# The Sewerage & Water Board OF NEW ORLEANS

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## Addendum No. 8

Your reference is directed to the Request for Proposal for: **2024-SWB-83 Lead Line Replacement for Schools and Residential Connections** for the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans which proposals are due on **December 18, 2024**, at **11:00 a.m.** CST.

This addendum provides for the following:

- Correction of Date of Issuance for Addendum No. 7
- Update to Microsoft Teams Information for Bid Opening
- Clarification to Questions

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1. Correction of Date of Issuance for Addendum No. 7

The date of issuance for Addendum No. 7 is listed as November 20, 2024. This addendum corrects that date to December 4, 2024.

2. Update to Microsoft Teams Information for Bid Opening

### Microsoft Teams

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### 3. Clarification to Questions

- Question # 5 has been asked a couple of ways but are still unclear. If we (as a non-DBE) can self-perform all work for this project, thereby not needing any subcontractor(s), do we still need to complete GFE's? We are not asking if we can receive DBE credit by self-performing, as we are not claiming to be a certified DBE.

ANSWER: Good Faith Effort Forms are necessary to be completed in all situations that the bidder is submitting less than the established 37.00% Goal. Self-performance is not considered a quality Good Faith Effort. An evaluation of Good Faith Effort will include, but not be limited to the demonstration of the bidder selecting portions of the work to be performed by DBEs in order to increase the likelihood that the DBE goals will be achieved. This includes, where appropriate, breaking out contract work items into economically feasible units to facilitate DBE participation, even when the prime contractor might otherwise prefer to perform these work items with its own forces.

- Question #12 was not answered fully. When would a service line replacement need to run from the meter to the property line? Because this is quantified by a unit measure of 'EA', Bidders must know the anticipated maximum length this item would need to include (e.g. up to 10' LF from meter to property line). ANSWER: Meter locations in public right of way vary. Item TS9 will be used where lead is found on the private side of a meter before the property line. The distance from meter to property line is typically less than 10ft.
- Question #13's answer doesn't provide the maximum LF limits requested. As listed in **C741.07 (b)** (addendum answer referenced wrong spec section), Bidders would have to assume that the LF could be 5', 10', or 50' and be responsible for installing any of those lengths at the current pay item quantity of 'EA'.
- ANSWER: Please reference C741.07 (b) per DPW General Specification and Section 3.23 of Special Provisions for additional specification details for items CSW741-09, 10, and 11. Typical City of New Orleans right of ways are 50ft. Watermains and water meters are installed within this right of way. Water house connection lengths vary depending on asset locations and right of way dimensions. Maximum or minimum lengths of water house connection replacement are not provided. SWBNO has unit maps of the City with right of way dimensions and watermain locations measured from property line. These maps are for reference only.
- Question #23 – Intent was to understand if all addresses within a zone needed to be inspected/tested before the Owner would allow the Contractor to move to another zone?
- ANSWER: The contractor will be required to inspect and report all school addresses within the **first** 60 days of contract beginning. Contractor can operate in multiple zones for inspection purposes to meet the 60-day requirement. A maximum of 2 zones will be released for lead service line replacement at the beginning of contract. Contractor

performance will determine pace of additional zone release for construction. Section 1.23 details substantial completion of zones.

- Question #38 – Which existing contract item will Hydro-Excavation be compensated under?
- ANSWER: Section 3.23 of Special Provisions outlines compensation for which no specific unit price and/or lump sum pay item is established.

*The above revisions shall be incorporated in and take precedence over any conflicting part of the original proposal documents. This addendum is hereby officially made a part of the referenced proposal.*

*Receipt of this addendum shall be acknowledged by inserting its number and date in the space provided on the Louisiana Uniform Public Works Bid Form.*

**\*\*\* END OF ADDENDUM \*\*\***