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## QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

### TO PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS UNDER RFQ 2402 - BIXLER YARD SECURITY FENCING

Below are questions and answers regarding RFQ No. 2402 – Bixler Yard Security Fencing of the East Bay Municipal Utility District:

1. Please verify fabric will be 1" mesh (9 ga core/8 finish) fused bonded KK or KT selvage, 8' high.

Answer: Fabric height is 8' and should be #9 gauge 1" mesh 7 mil minimum thickness. See Specification 32 31 13.

2. Are all materials to be all vinyl coated NOT poly (powder coat)?

Answer: Black vinyl coating is to be PVC material.

3. Please verify if tape wrap for corrosion protection is necessary.

Answer: PVC coated posts do not require the additional protection of pipe wrap.

4. Please verify there are no buy America (n) policies.

Answer: There are no specific buy America(n) policy requirements.

5. Will entire property be 3 or 6 strand barbed wire?

Answer: Entire perimeter fence shall be installed using a single arm with of 3 stands of barbed wire facing outward. Outward is preferred as it does not interfere with District equipment operating along the fence line.

6. Will pipe weight be MT 40 or SCH 40?

Answer: SCH 40. See Specification 32 31 13.

7. The fence details on sheet 3328-GB-002 shows the chain link fence to have 6 stands of barbed wire mounted to "V" arms? On note 4 it states, "if the post is to be on the property line, v arm shall be single and facing into the property line" This is confusing as a single arm is not a "v" arm. Also, it is my understanding that the North, East, and West fences are on the property line while the South fence is not a property line. I would like to note that the existing fence is 6 strand "v" arms on all sides. Please advise?

Answer: Entire perimeter fence shall be installed using a single arm with of 3 stands of barbed wire facing outward. Outward is preferred as it does not interfere with District equipment operating along the fence line.

8. The gentleman holding the walk mentioned that due to erosion from the ditch on the property on the entire South and West fence lines may move into the property approx. 2 feet. Is this true? I ask because it will affect the cost of the project.

Answer: Southern and western fence shall be installed approximately 2' into the property from existing fence line.

9. Is the existing slatted chain link transformer enclosure to remain as is on the South Property Line?

Answer: Existing 10' chain link fence surrounding the transformer and other electrical equipment shall remain.

10. Is the existing slide gate operator and ground track to be reused for the new slide gate on the East property line?

Answer: The existing slide gate operator and ground track is to be reused.

11. The project calls for 1" black vinyl chain link. Is the core wire # 9 gauge with a # 8 gauge finish black vinyl? This is your standard specification but a few contractors seemed to not know that and were stating #11 gauge core wire. I wanted to make sure we are all quoting the same thing.

Answer: Fabric should be #9 gauge 1" mesh 7 mil minimum thickness.

12. Do the posts need to be wrapped at the base with the vinyl tape? Typically, this is waived when the posts are PVC coated already. Is this required?

Answer: PVC coated posts do not require the additional protection of pipe wrap.

13. Please clarify that the black vinyl coating is a PVC finish not a cheaper polyester coated finish. It appears a few contractors are not aware of the PVC coated requirement in the EBMUD standard specifications and just wanted to clarify so we are bidding the same thing.

Answer: Black vinyl coating is to be a PVC material.

14. Is there a bid bond requirement?

Answer: There is no bid bond requirement.

15. Will a DIR project number be assigned to the project?

Answer: At time of award a DIR project number will be assigned.

16. Are we to remove concrete post footings or can we just cut the posts and leave the footing?

Answer: Demolition of existing fencing shall include removing existing posts and concrete to 6 inches below grade.

17. In the details, there is a main gate detail. Are we to ignore that detail or include the price in our bid.

Answer: The main gate at the facility is the 29' slide gate built to the same height as the fence reusing the existing gate opener and ground track. The other double swing gates should follow the drawing details and specs. Also, the entire perimeter fence shall be installed using a single arm with of 3 stands of barbed wire facing outward. Outward is preferred as it does not interfere with District equipment operating along the fence line. See Specification 32 31 13 for further information.

18. Are bonds required to be turned in with the RFQ response packet Exhibit A?

Answer: There are no bonds required to be turned in.

19. What is the project duration?

Answer: The project duration is expected to be well within six months.