

INVITATION TO TENDER "ITT" NO. PS10056  
WATERMAIN SUPPLY AND INSTALLATION (1B)

INFORMATION MEETING - 11:00 AM, MONDAY MARCH 15, 2010

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS NO. 1

ISSUED ON THURSDAY MARCH 18, 2010

Q1	Are the costs for service renewals and service change overs to be included in the lump sum prices in Schedule A, Item A for watermain installations?
A1	Yes, the price for watermain installation is to include the costs for all service change overs to the new main as well as any service replacements that are shown on the Design Drawings - Part H. Refer to Section 02742 of Part F - Specifications.
Q2	Are there service records that summarize the number, size and location of all connections that must be reconnected to the proposed watermain?
A2	Part I of the Tender is a summary of the City's Waterworks Connections Database Service List. Refer to Section 02742 of Part F - Specifications.
Q3	Are the costs for valve installations included in the lump sum prices in Schedule A, Item A for watermain installation?
A3	Yes, refer to Section 02742 of Part F - Specifications.
Q4	Is overexcavation an extra item?
A4	Unless specifically detailed on the Design Drawings - Part H, overexcavation as defined in Section 02223 of Part F - Specifications is an item for payment. However, Tenderers are reminded that the overexcavation rates do not apply for locations where the City has specified on the Design Drawings - Part H that the existing watermain is to be removed and disposed of even if this requires additional excavation
Q5	Are there any soil sample testing reports available?
A5	No.

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Q6	Are there any specifications for the type of material used for temporary services mains?
A6	The City has not specified the type of main material that must be used for temporary servicing. The City currently uses Certa-Lok pipe for this application but have used other materials in the past and the City is aware that there are equivalent alternatives that can be used. The successful Contractor may propose the type of material to be used to the Engineer for approval.
Q7	Is there a minimum size main required for temporary servicing?
A7	The minimum size of main required for temporary servicing is 50mm.
Q8	Do the temporary service mains and connections have to be buried below grade?
A8	No, the temporary servicing pipe does not need to be buried, however appropriate ramping will be required at vehicle, cycle and pedestrian crossings to both protect the piping as well as limit any trip or other hazards.
Q9	Are 24 hour permanent lane closures permitted?
A9	Request for lane closures will need to be submitted in advance of the proposed closures and will be reviewed and approved on a case by case basis.
Q10	Is there any weekend work anticipated in this Contract?
A12	Yes, refer to Part B - Instructions to Tenderers Section 27.3 (Traffic Plan)
Q13	Does the City allow for new watermains to be pressure tested against a valve that is connected to the live water system?
A13	No, all new watermains need to be pressure tested and chlorinated prior to being connected to the existing water main.

PLEASE FIND BELOW, THE ATTENDANCE LIST FROM THIS INFORMATION MEETING:

1. Sandpiper Contracting
2. Lups Contractors
3. B. Cusano Contracting (2007) Ltd.
4. Hyland Excavating Ltd.
5. Ponte Bros. Contracting Ltd.
6. Hexcel Construction Ltd.