## LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT

Sealed bids for Bid Number CC2014-19, Tank Maintenance 2014, will be received in the office of the Purchasing and Stores Manager, Emerald Coast Utilities Authority, located in the Emergency Operations & Support Addition, 9255 Sturdevant Street, Ellyson Industrial Park, Pensacola, FL 32514, until 2:00 p.m., local time, Thursday, September 4, 2014, at which time bids submitted will be publicly opened and read aloud in the adjacent Room 2202, Finance Conference Room. Bids received after 2:00 p.m., local time, September 4, 2014, will be returned unopened. A non-mandatory pre-bid conference will be held at the Emerald Coast Utilities Authority Engineering Department Conference Room, located on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the Customer Service Building at 9255 Sturdevant Street, Room 205, Pensacola, FL 32514, at 10:00 a.m., local time, on Thursday, August 21, 2014. The pre-bid is not mandatory, but attendance is strongly encouraged. The principal features of work will consist of the rehabilitation of eight (8) water storage tanks. Plans and specifications may be examined free of charge at the following locations:

ECUA Engineering Department, 9255 Sturdevant Street, Ellyson Industrial Park, Pensacola, FL, 32514, telephone 850-969-3310, fax 850-969-6511, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Pensacola AGC (Associated General Contractors of America) Plan Room, 201 South "F" Street, Pensacola, FL 32502, telephone 850-438-0551, fax 850-433-3059.

A set of plans and a Project Manual with specifications may be obtained at the office of the ECUA Engineering Department, 9255 Sturdevant Street, Ellyson Industrial Park, Pensacola, FL, 32514, telephone 850-969-3310, fax 850-969-6511, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday at no deposit.

All questions about the meaning or intent of the Bidding Documents are to be submitted to ENGINEER (Tank Industry Consultants, 7740 West York Street, Indianapolis, IN, 46214) Patrick Brown, telephone 317-217-3100 or by email at <a href="mailto:brown@tankindustry.com">brown@tankindustry.com</a>. Interpretations or clarifications considered necessary by ENGINEER in response to such questions will be issued by Addenda mailed or delivered to all parties recorded by OWNER as having obtained the Bidding Documents. Questions received less than ten (10) calendar days prior to the date for opening of Bids may not be answered. Only questions answered by Addenda will be binding. Oral and other interpretations or clarifications will be without legal effect.

Addenda may be issued to clarify, correct, or change the Bidding Documents as deemed advisable by OWNER or ENGINEER.

The Bidding Document contains the provisions required for construction of the Work. Information obtained from an officer, agent, or employee of the OWNER or any other person shall not affect the risks or obligations assumed by the CONTRACTOR or relieve the CONTRACTOR from fulfilling any of the conditions of the Contract, unless properly documented by issuance of an Addendum.

The Emerald Coast Utilities Authority reserves the right to waive informalities in any bid; reject any or all proposals, in whole or in part; rebid a project, in whole or in part; and to accept a proposal that in its judgment is the lowest and best bid of a responsible bidder. In accepting a bid, ECUA may

award a contract based only on the base bid, the base bid plus all alternates, or the base bid plus any alternates which ECUA selects – with all decisions being made based upon what ECUA believes to be the best interests of its ratepayers, in the reasonable exercise of its discretion. ECUA further reserves the right to increase or decrease quantities as may be required to meet the needs of ECUA at the unit price which was bid. The ECUA does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, creed/religion, age, marital status, disability/handicapped status, veteran status, or any other legally protected status in employment or provision of service.

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