



**STATE OF TENNESSEE
DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES, MEGASITE AUTHORITY OF
WEST TENNESSEE**

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS # 32122-01
AMENDMENT # 2
FOR BLUE OVAL CITY WATER AND WASTERWATER FACILITIES
MANAGMENT, OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE SERVICES FOR THE
MEGASITE AUTHORITY OF WEST TENNESSEE**

DATE: April 21, 2023

RFP # 32122-01 IS AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. This RFP Schedule of Events updates and confirms scheduled RFP dates. Any event, time, or date containing revised or new text is highlighted.**

EVENT	TIME (central time zone)	DATE
1. RFP Issued		March 15, 2023
2. Disability Accommodation Request Deadline	2:00 p.m.	March 20, 2023
3. Pre-response Conference	9:00 a.m.	March 23, 2023
4. Notice of Intent to Respond Deadline	2:00 p.m.	March 27,2023
5. Written "Questions & Comments" Deadline	2:00 p.m.	March 30, 2023
6. State Response to Written "Questions & Comments"		April 21, 2023
7. Response Deadline	2:00 p.m.	May 10, 2023
8. State Schedules Oral Presentations		May 19, 2023
9. Respondent Oral Presentations	8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.	May 25 – 31, 2023
10. State Completion of Technical Response Evaluations		June 2, 2023
11. State Opening & Scoring of Cost Proposals	2:00 p.m.	June 5, 2023
12. Negotiations		June 6 - 8, 2023
13. State Notice of Intent to Award Released <u>and</u> RFP Files Opened for Public Inspection	2:00 p.m.	June 12, 2023
14. End of Open File Period	4:30 p.m.	June 19, 2023

15. State sends contract to Contractor for signature		June 20, 2023
16. Contractor Signature Deadline	2:00 p.m.	June 26, 2023
17. Performance Bond Deadline	4:30 p.m.	July 10, 2023

2. State responses to questions and comments in the table below amend and clarify this RFP.

Any restatement of RFP text in the Question/Comment column shall NOT be construed as a change in the actual wording of the RFP document.

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RFP Attachment 6.4		<p>1. The RFP states:</p> <p>“The Respondent will ... Provide references ... for projects similar to the goods or services sought under this RFP and which represent:</p> <p>two (2) contracts Respondent currently services that are similar in size and scope to the services required by this RFP; and</p> <p>three (3) completed contracts that are similar in size and scope to the services required by this RFP.</p> <p>References from at least three (3) different individuals are required to satisfy the requirements above, e.g., an individual may provide a reference about a completed project and another reference about a currently serviced account.”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Questions on this are as follows: · The State’s requirements – RFP Attachment 6.4 (page 38) – with regard to the number of client references (Client Reference Questionnaires) to be provided is confusing. · The RFP states that: “References from at least three (3) different individuals are 	<p>The Respondent can provide a mix of Current and Completed client contracts to meet this requirement.</p>

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		<p>required to satisfy the requirement ...”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · The instructions above that statement say that: “two (2) contracts Respondent currently serves ... and three (3) completed contracts ...” are required. · Will it be considered acceptable to provide a mix of Current and Completed client contracts, with two current clients and one completed contract to meet this standard of three Client References? 	
		<p>2. Upon termination of the Nondisclosure Agreement, is it permissible for the Respondent to retain copies of Confidential State Data that are stored on its IT backup and disaster recovery systems until the ordinary course deletion, provided that all confidentiality obligations will still apply to such data? Will the Nondisclosure Agreement terminate upon the award for a contract for the project?</p>	<p>There will not be a termination of the NDA for unsuccessful bidders.</p>
		<p>3. In RFP Attachment 6.4, Reference Questionnaire, the respondent is asked to provide references for two current projects and three completed projects. As our contracts are long-term in nature and ongoing (10 years+ with renewals) we don't have “completed” projects in the traditional sense. With</p>	<p>The State will not consider a change to the requirements in RFP Attachment 6.4.</p>

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		<p>that in mind, it will be difficult to provide three reference letters from completed projects as the projects we are no longer the operator for are several years old and the personnel have moved on. We would like to request an option to provide all five references from current projects. Would that be acceptable to the State?</p>	
		<p>4. Section C8 Business Approach is directly after section C6, Operating Plan. We just want to clarify that there is no section C7.</p>	<p>See Section 3 of RFP Amendment 2.</p>
		<p>5. I have previously asked this question and your response was we would discuss it at the pre-submittal conference but nothing definitive was discussed so I wanted to bring it up again just in case. With the technical documents being released over a week after the RFP was advertised, we would like to request an extension to the submittal deadline.</p>	<p>The RFP Schedule of Events was updated by RFP Amendment 1 (issued 4-11-23). The Solicitation Coordinator will be receptive to timeline concerns and adjust the schedule accordingly.</p>
		<p>6. I wonder if you can send me a copy of the sign-in sheet from the mandatory pre-response conference held on March 23, 2023 in connection with RFP # 32122-01: Blue Oval City Water and Wastewater Facilities Management, Operation and</p>	<p>All records that are in the open file are confidential until evaluations are complete and the Notice of Intent to Award has been posted.</p>

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		Maintenance Services for the Megasite Authority of West Tennessee.	
		7. Item Reference C.1. states "Provide a listing of all full-service contracts..." We would like to request that instead of providing "all full-service contracts" which will be several hundred, can we provide up to a set number of projects that are relevant to the State's project?	See Section 3 of RFP Amendment 2.
		8. During temporary operations when generators are used for power, who will be responsible for the generator expenses such as rental, fuel, maintenance, etc.?	The plan is to use permanent power. Should temporary generators be required, the Operator shall be responsible to coordinate all related items referenced in the question. The cost would be considered a reimbursable expense.
		9. Would elevated water storage tank maintenance such as painting/coatings, major repairs, etc. be considered capital repairs? If this is a capital item, would that be covered by the Contractor or the Sate?	See response to Item 12.
		10. Item A.6. of the Pro Forma Contract states "The Contractor shall manage the State's wastewater infrastructure facilities shall include the administration of the State's Pretreatment Program approved by the Tennessee Department of	The State to issue the initial 6 permit applications known at this time per projections from Ford. Operator to be responsible for monitoring of all permits and issuance on any new permits.

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		<p>Environment and Conservation.</p> <p>The Contractor shall act as “Pretreatment Coordinator”. The term “Pretreatment Coordinator” means the administrative entity representing the Authority (which will act as the Control Authority in an approved Pretreatment Program under the provision of 40 CFR Part 403.11) in all matters related to the administration, implementation, and enforcement of the Pretreatment Program of the Authority as approved by the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation. During the first year’s administration of the Pretreatment Program, no more than four Industrial User Permits are envisioned and two inspections of the significant industrial user facilities per year which will include wastewater sampling and analysis for all permitted parameters.”</p> <p>As such, does the State have an indication of who these four (4) Significant Industrial Users (SIU) are so that the Contractor can project what types wastewater analysis will be needed for the permitted parameters? Are there any existing SIU permits? Can we get a copy of the Industrial Pretreatment Program that is being or has been developed by J.R. Wauford & Company?</p>	

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		<p>11. Item A.7.b of the Pro Forma Contract states “The Contractor shall maintain all land including right- of-way”. Please provide a detailed list of the sections of right-of way and areas within the Megasite acreage that the that the Contractor will be required to perform landscape maintenance.</p>	<p>The pipeline to the Mississippi River is typically in either road ROW's that would be maintained by others, crop land that would be typically cultivated and maintained by the farmers, shared TVA/power company easements with limited maintenance by TVA or the power company or in easements within privately owner yards or private easement that owners give little attention. So, while there are limited areas that require maintenance, the Operator will need to evaluate areas that they will need to maintain ARV's etc. and coordinate schedules with landowners/farmers as necessary to insure proper operation of the forcemains, both onsite and offsite.</p>
		<p>12. Item A.10. of the Pro Forma Contract states “A specific method of decision making concerning the use of funds for repair and replacement must be outlined.” Does the State have guidelines established for replacement for assets over a specific dollar amount since that would generally be considered a capital item? Will capital items be the responsibility of the Contractor or the State?</p>	<p>See Section 8 of RFP Amendment 2.</p>
		<p>13. Item A.18. of the Pro Forma Contract states “and costs of biosolids management shall be approved by the Authority.” Our understanding is the Contractor will be responsible for biosolids management, does management include the cost of transportation and</p>	<p>See Section 4 of RFP Amendment 2.</p>

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		disposal? If so, can the State detail the process of gaining the State's approval of those expenses?	
		14. Please clarify who pays for permitting for wastewater, water and stormwater permits. In addition, please clarify who pays for SCADA system licensing and FCC licenses.	All initial fees for initial permits have been paid by the State. The Operator to be responsible for all future and renewed permits.
		15. Please provide the Water Quality Data for the two (2) existing Water Supply Wells.	See Section 6 of RFP Amendment 2.
		16. Maintenance of SCADA System; As the software registration and FCC licenses will be in the State's name, and remain the property of the State, please clarify who will be responsible to bear the costs associated with software and radio licensing?	All to be the responsibility of the Operator.
		17. Who is responsible for providing telephone service to be utilized for SCADA and Vendor access for monitoring and troubleshooting of the assets?	All to be the responsibility of the Operator.
		18. Who is responsible for providing internet service to the facilities?	STEMC will be the provider and the State will pay the invoice.
		19. Can we get copies of the Preliminary Engineering Reports associated with projects related to all wells, distribution systems, collection systems, force mains, and the	See Section 6 and Section 7 of RFP Amendment 2.

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		wastewater treatment plant (Facilities)?	
		20. Can we get a list of all Generator Sets as well as their size?	Generator sizes are on the documents for WWTP & WTP & the pump station at Covington.
		21. Can we get a ramp-up schedule for the facilities so that we can accurately projects costs associated with the flows, loads, and demands by year?	See Section 5 of RFP Amendment 2. Operator to determine related cost during the ramp up period. Once the temporary services have concluded, all cost of the system to be based on the full operating capacity of the WW & PW systems.
		22. Can you provide the Water Supply Ramp-Up schedule?	See the State's Response to Question 21 of this RFP Amendment.
		23. Can you provide the commissioning schedule for the Temporary Water Supply system phase-out and the schedule for when the Permanent Water Supply will be fully operational?	See Ramp Up schedule for substantial completion dates related to the temporary and permanent PW & WW systems.
		24. If the Temporary Water system is currently in operation, what is the PWS ID #? Are there Water Usage Reports available and also is there utility information available?	Currently not in operation, therefore, no reports exist.
		25. Is the State going to issue the four pretreatment permits to Ford and SK or is the contractor going to carry out that task?	The initial permits will be issued by the State. The operator will then be responsible for all compliance, testing, monitoring, and renewals of the existing permits and future permits.
		26. Can you provide the Wastewater Treatment Flow Ramp Up schedule?	See the State's response to question 21 in this RFP Amendment.

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		<p>27. Can you provide the schedule for commissioning of:</p> <p>a) The Wastewater Treatment Facility , and</p> <p>b) The Wastewater Transmission Line?</p>	<p>a) TBD</p> <p>b) TBD</p>
		<p>28. Can you confirm the inventory (number and type) of critical Sequencing Batch Reactor (SBR) spare parts that will be provided to the Operator as part of the handover from construction to operations?</p>	<p>The specifications list all spare parts to be provided.</p>
		<p>29. Can you confirm the inventory (number and type) of general Water Treatment Plant spare parts that will be provided to the Operator during the handover from construction to operations?</p>	<p>Spare parts identified in the specifications that were provided after signing the NDA.</p>
		<p>30. Can you define commissioning responsibility Operator versus the Construction Contractor and others) for the handover from construction to operations of the water line, water tank, water plant, wastewater plant and discharge line?</p>	<p>Operator should plan to be on board and participate with commissioning activities and all training of both the temporary and permanent PW & WW systems, but responsibility of the commissioning is on the Construction Manager.</p>
		<p>31. Can you please confirm the manufacturer for the Sequencing Batch Reactor (SBR) treatment technology?</p>	<p>Parkson</p>

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		<p>32. Can you please provide a copy of the Control Strategy for the Sequencing Batch Reactor (SBR) from the manufacturer?</p> <p>Specifically we are looking for the Operating Control Strategy addressing the following: modes of operation (single and dual tree basin modes; SBR Phased Time rules; Mixed Fill; React Fill; React, Settle, Decant-Idle /Sludge Wasting (including Storm Mode); descriptions of time mode and DO mode; etc.</p>	<p>The SBR is described in Section 46 53 53 of the Project Specifications provided after the NDA was signed. The cycles and controls are described in general terms.. Parkson's PLC will have the control system programed to function with the desired number of basins, with several parameters adjustable by the operator. Shop drawings from the manufacturer are not available.</p>
		<p>33. Please provide detail with regard to the responsibility for the Sequencing Batch Reactor manufacturer with regard to dry, wet, process and performance commissioning?</p> <p>This would include the type of Operator training and spare parts inventory that will be provided as part of the commissioning.</p>	<p>This information is outlined in the documents provided under the NDA.</p>
		<p>34. Can you please provide detail to the O&M providers' responsibility with regard to dry, wet, process and performance commissioning. And if the start date for the contract begins with this period of effort?</p>	<p>The spare parts, operator training, and factory personnel onsite are all covered in the specifications.</p>

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		This would include the type of Operator training and spare parts inventory that will be provided as part of the commissioning.	
		35. Will the O&M provider be responsible for backflow prevention and fire flow assemblies inside Third Party manufacturing and office locations?	Backflow assemblies to be provided by the tenant at each facility. Operator to provide routine review of backflow to insure protection of the PW system.
		36. What is the wastewater loading made up of, for example, % of flow that is from metal operations versus domestic sewage.	The flow is comprised of domestic, pretreated process, and utility.
		37. The RO reject line from the industry appears to enter the effluent pump station and be blended prior to sampling. How is this flow and water quality monitored?	TDEC/NPDES permit does not require quality monitoring.
		38. How much reuse is the Ford plant expected to take after year 2?	We are not supplying reuse water, only treated effluent. The amount will be determined by Ford.
		39. What type of interaction has Ford requested in regards to the temporary water system and then ongoing operations?	Operator will need to coordinate with Ford on the specific quantities of PW they intend to use daily. While monthly and average flows are in the ramp up schedule, it is possible that the specific daily need could be the majority of that needed for the month followed by minimal flow the remainder of the month. Ford will then withdraw from the meter locations on the 24" line but should not have further interaction. The Operator will be responsible for monitoring the actual water usage to ensure adequate water is available

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			for each day's usage as well as for billing purposes as well.
		40. What type of ongoing involvement will the Board or the General Services department have with the operator? For example, is there any kind of regular review scheduled?	Oversight will be provided by the Megasite Authority of West Tennessee and will report monthly.
		41. The contract appears to push the risk of inflation on to the contractor to predict and manage. Is that the intent of the RFP? It is unusual in these types of contracts not to have an annual escalator based on initial fees.	The State's intent is to provide the Respondents the opportunity to build their cost to include all fees and any external factors (inflation, etc.) to their discretion on a yearly basis for a ten-year span.
		42. Acres of grass and right of way to be mowed?	See the State's Response to Question 11 in this RFP Amendment.
		43. The RFP pricing requests a 10 year contract but the contract is for 5 and 5 annual extensions. Which is the correct term?	Per Attachment 6.6 Pro Forma Contract Section B.1 and B.2, the initial Term is for 60 months with up to five (5) renewal options under the same terms and conditions for a period not to exceed twelve (12) months. The maximum Term, including all renewals or extensions, shall not exceed a total of one hundred and twenty (120) months.
		44. The 5 year and 1 year renewals make it difficult for the operator to mitigate their maintenance risk in the later years of the contract when maintenance should increase with the age of the equipment. This relates to the previous question about the term of the contract.	See the State's Response to Question 41 and 43 of this RFP Amendment. Any equipment that needs to be replaced in the later years of the contract is expected to fall under the threshold of a capital project. See the State's Response to Question 9 of this RFP Amendment that address's capital projects.

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		45. Are there any fire flow requirements on the volume of water in the tanks at any given time?	No – the tenant(s) are required to account for their fire water requirements and to provide their own tanks and pumps as necessary for their facilities. Th PW system is only designed to provide a maximum 7.0 MGD and a minimum pressure (exclusive of fire water) of 60 psi.
		46. Provide information regarding the SCADA platform for the WWTP, WTP, distribution system, elevated storage, transmission system/ lift station and the reuse water treatment plant.	There is a complete SCADA system that monitors the WWTP, Covington Pumping Station, WTP, and Tanks. <u>There is no SCADA for Ford's reuse plant.</u> The SCADA system is described in the specifications.
		47. Will the O&M service provider be required to submit IMP1 (RO Reject) flow reports under NPDES permit TN0081906?	Yes, as stated in the NPDES permit as flow only.
		48. Confirm electrical expense is excluded from the scope of work	Confirmed; utilities to Direct Billed to the State.
		49. Confirm natural gas expense is excluded from the scope of work	Natural gas service is not provided to the facilities.
		50. Provide a summary of equipment vendor warranties for the project. Include manufacturer, start date and end date of equipment warranty	<p>The fast pace of the project will have varying starts of warranty periods. Operator to assume the following start dates for planning:</p> <p>Temp PW/WW – November 2023 PW – October 2024 WW- February 2025</p> <p>Length of warranties to be found in the specifications for the various components.</p>

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		51. Provide a summary of equipment / start-up training provided to the O&M service provider.	This information is outlined in the documents provided under the NDA.
		52. Please confirm the number of air release valves located on the transmission line and who will be responsible for GIS location of the ARVs.	The force main transmission line currently has 159 ARV's planned. The final count will be determined at the completion of the construction of the FM and is anticipated to be +/- 5%. As built documents can be provided at the end of the project with GIS info.
		53. Please confirm the right of way mowing requirements expected under the service agreement. This shall include locations (such as ARVs, lift station, outfall structure, other), cuts / year, cuts/ season, etc.	See the State's Response to Question 11 of this RFP Amendment.
		54. Provide Final Design SBR for various Assembly Plant & various battery Plant scenarios, with and without UF system Cleaning Water flow. If available, 1 through 4 reactor scenarios, if available	The basic design parameters are in the specifications.
		55. Provide the most current available hydraulic and mass/solids balance for the WWTP at 5.1 MGD	The basic design parameters are in the specifications provided under the NDA.
		56. If available, provide hydraulic and mass/solids balance for the WWTP as the WWTP is ramped up to 5.1 MGD	See the State's Response to Question 55 in this RFP Amendment.

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		57. Confirm the generator sizes for stand-by generators at the wastewater treatment plant, water treatment plant, and the transmission lift station	See the State's Response to Question 20 in this RFP Amendment.
		58. The O&M provider shall implement the approved IPP program. Please confirm that IU permits shall be issued to Ford, SK battery, Ford's reuse water plant.	The initial permits will be issued by the State. The operator will then be responsible for all compliance, testing, monitoring, and renewals of the existing permits and future permits.
		59. Please provide a list of expected constituents including concentration ranges from the reuse water plant.	Reuse water from Ford is not treated by the WWTP and is pumped to the Mississippi River without monitoring quality per TDEC.
		60. Is there any basic laboratory equipment and/or supplies provided to the O&M provider as part of the handover to operations? If so, please provide details.	See project specifications for items provided (for both PW & WW systems). Operator to provide any additional items that are not provided that they deem necessary or desired to operate the plant as they so intend.
		61. Please confirm language within the NPDES permit (Section 1.2.1) regarding, "POTW effluent samples must be collected ahead of the RO retentate pollutants being reintroduced back in the outfall line.	That is correct per the current draft NPDES permit.
		62. Provide a schedule concerning the commissioning of the reuse water treatment plant. Specifically, when will the reuse water plant become operational?	The reuse plant is owned and operated by Ford as such we have no information on their schedule. When they are ready to operate, treated effluent will be provided to them.

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		<p>63. Provide reuse water treatment plant Ramp Up schedule. Estimate rates of flow to: a) auto assembly/ battery plants b) UF cleaning system regime & c) reuse feed water.</p>	<p>See the State's Response to Question 62 of this RFP Amendment.</p>
		<p>64. Can you extend the question deadline for another week? A week to review all the documents and consider options is extremely short.</p>	<p>See the State's Response to Question 5 of this RFP Amendment.</p>
		<p>65. The sample contract does not include any language related to the permits on the project, the expected flow and loading of wastewater or water which is typical for this type of agreement because of the impact of changes from those elements on chemical price, staffing and sludge disposal. Have you considered allowing contract modification suggestions as part of the proposals?</p>	<p>No, per Section 5.3.5. of the RFP, the State may entertain limited negotiations.</p>
		<p>66. Is there any basic laboratory equipment supplied at operational handover for wastewater process control or sampling analysis? Is there any basic laboratory supplies supplied at operational handover for wastewater process control or sampling analysis? If so, please provide details.</p>	<p>See the State's Response to Question 60 above</p>

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		<p>67. Is there any basic laboratory equipment supplied at operational handover for water process control or sampling analysis? Is there any basic laboratory supplies supplied at operational handover for water process control or sampling analysis? If so, please provide details.</p>	<p>See the State's Response to Question 60 above</p>
		<p>68. Is there any safety equipment (i.e. LOTO, CSE, Fall protection, etc.) supplied at operational handover? If so, please provide details.</p>	<p>Operator is responsible for instituting and maintaining their own Safety Program, per applicable regulations.</p>
		<p>69. Can you answer the questions faster or provide more time after you answer the questions for us to process the information you provide? The time frame is extremely short to look at the engineering information requested and utilize for pricing.</p>	<p>See the State's Response to Question 5 of this RFP Amendment.</p>
		<p>70. We understand we are not to mention any pricing information or cost savings as it relates directly to Blue Oval City. Our question is whether we can share cost savings information from our previous projects as we share details of our experience. Example, on XYZ project in Mississippi, we implemented this best practice which resulted</p>	<p>No, please see the Notice in Section 3.1.1 of the RFP.</p>

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		in as \$XXX cost savings to the client.	
		<p>71. What is the current well water analysis? Is it possible to take samples for our own analysis?</p> <p>A complete water analysis is essential for chemical bidding</p>	The Well Water Analysis is available in the Engineering Report. The provided Design Documents and Specifications provide essential information needed.
		72. To what standard does water need to be treated to be used by Ford and other mega-site tenants? Can you provide a reference to the standard?	Water quality must meet State of Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation, Division of Water Resources Chapter 0400-45-01 Public Water Systems Rules.
		73. What is the maximum capacity for the water treatment plant? How much of that capacity will go to Ford?	7.0 MGD max 4.3 MGD max allowance for Ford at full capacity
		<p>74. Please confirm estimated flow rates for influent water going to Ford and effluent waste coming back to the wastewater treatment plant</p> <p>What is the ramp up schedule for influent water needs?</p> <p>What is the estimated full capacity target start date?</p> <p>Is there an estimate on wastewater volume?</p> <p>8,000 GPD waste at start?</p> <p>55,000-60,000 GPD waste by July 2024?</p>	<p>See ramp up schedule for both PW and WW flows and timing.</p> <p>Reuse schedule is undefined.</p>

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		<p>1,000,000 GPD waste by September 2024?</p> <p>How much water will be re-use?</p> <p>What is the ramp up schedule for re-use water?</p>	
		75. Is the State open to considering a cost per liter of water treated proposal?	No
		76. Do you anticipate that the draft NEPDS will be the permit in effect beginning November 2023? If not, can you provide the current permit for the Site?	Yes, the draft NPDES should be issued by November 2023.
		77. Will there be any process water from Ford back to the wastewater treatment plant?	Yes – only after it has run thru the Ford pre-treatment plant
		<p>78. Are all chemical bulk tanks going to be provided? What are the sizes of each tank?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Sodium hypochlorite Polymer for WWT •Phosphate •Sodium Bisulfite •Sodium Hydroxide 	See design documents for tanks that are provided.
		79. Please summarize the warranties being provided by the design and construction firms and confirm that the Operator will have performance, cost, and/or schedule relief, as appropriate, for any design and construction defects or deficiencies.	<p>Design firms provide no warranties.</p> <p>Construction firms warranties are the typical one year from substantial completion.</p> <p>See specifications for equipment warranties.</p>

3. Delete RFP Attachment 6.2 – Section C in its entirety and insert the following in its place (any sentence or paragraph containing revised or new text is highlighted):

RFP ATTACHMENT 6.2. — SECTION C

TECHNICAL RESPONSE & EVALUATION GUIDE

SECTION C: TECHNICAL QUALIFICATIONS, EXPERIENCE & APPROACH. The Respondent must address all items (below) and provide, in sequence, the information and documentation as required (referenced with the associated item references). The Respondent must also detail the response page number for each item in the appropriate space below.

A Proposal Evaluation Team, made up of three or more State employees, will independently evaluate and score the response to each item. Each evaluator will use the following whole number, raw point scale for scoring each item:

0 = little value 1 = poor 2 = fair 3 = satisfactory 4 = good 5 = excellent

The Solicitation Coordinator will multiply the Item Score by the associated Evaluation Factor (indicating the relative emphasis of the item in the overall evaluation). The resulting product will be the item's Raw Weighted Score for purposes of calculating the section score as indicated.

RESPONDENT LEGAL ENTITY NAME:					
Response Page # (Respondent completes)	Item Ref.	Section C— Technical Qualifications, Experience & Approach Items	Item Score	Evaluation Factor	Raw Weighted Score
	C.1.	Provide a listing of all full-service contracts executed within the last five years for the operation, maintenance and management of water and wastewater infrastructure facilities (systems) which the respondent currently has in the United States; the partnership start date; the anticipated completion date; the name, address, contact person and telephone number of the water and wastewater infrastructure facilities owner; and the size and type of facility. Full-service contracts for the operation, maintenance and management means, at a minimum, providing all labor and management, and guaranteeing performance including regulatory agency compliance.		3	
	C.2.	Describe Respondent's depth and resources which would also be available for the benefit of the State such as user rate making assistance.		5	

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	C.3.	Provide a demonstration of experience in capital planning aspects of water and/or wastewater systems. Identify specific projects where such services are provided and the results of such service.		1	
	C.4.	Provide a listing of the specific individuals assigned to the Management Team and to Technical Support that the Respondent will assign to this contract during the transition from post construction to operation start-up and on-going operation and provide the background and experience of those individuals.		10	
	C.5.	Provide a detailed staffing plan indicating the type and quantity of the various positions the Respondent feels are necessary to provide the services requested. The staffing plan shall include personnel with the following classifications of water treatment plant operators, water distribution system operators, wastewater treatment plant operators and wastewater collection system operators as established by the Rules of the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation, Board of Water and Wastewater Operator Certification: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grade IV Water Treatment Plant Operator • Grade II Water Distribution System Operator • Grade IV Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator • Grade II Wastewater Collection System Operator 		10	
	C.6.	Provide an operating plan for the facilities and other responsibilities that details how the Respondent will provide operation, maintenance, and management services.		10	

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Response Page # (Respondent completes)	Item Ref.	Section C— Technical Qualifications, Experience & Approach Items	Item Score	Evaluation Factor	Raw Weighted Score
	C.7.	<p><u>Business Approach</u> - Discuss the Respondent's long-term plan for financial and operational management this contract over a ten-year period</p> <p>(Please keep in mind the Technical Response must NOT contain cost or pricing information of any type)</p>		7	
<p>The Solicitation Coordinator will use this sum and the formula below to calculate the section score. All calculations will use and result in numbers rounded to two (2) places to the right of the decimal point.</p>					<p>Total Raw Weighted Score: (sum of Raw Weighted Scores above)</p>
<p>Total Raw Weighted Score</p> <hr/> <p>Maximum Possible Raw Weighted Score (i.e., 5 x the sum of item weights above)</p>					<p>X 35 (maximum possible score)</p> <p>= SCORE:</p>
<p>State Use – Evaluator Identification:</p>					
<p>State Use – Solicitation Coordinator Signature, Printed Name & Date:</p>					

4. Delete RFP Attachment 6.6 Section A.18 in its entirety and insert the following in its place (any sentence or paragraph containing revised or new text is highlighted):

A18. The Contractor shall be responsible for biosolids management and disposal. The method of biosolids disposal shall be landfilling in a Class I Solid Waste Disposal Facility.

5. Add the following PDF titled “TVEC Wastewater and Water Draft Ramp Up as of 10 13 2022” as Attachment 1 to this RFP Amendment.
6. Add the following PDF titled “0120208021_MRM_WTP_EngReport_2022v5” as Attachment 2 to this RFP Amendment.

7. Add the following PDF titled “Final Design Submittal WPN22.0036 Revised 06-08-22” as Attachment 3 to this RFP Amendment.
8. Delete RFP Attachment 6.6 Section A.10 in its entirety and insert the following in its place (any sentence or paragraph containing revised or new text is highlighted):
 - A.10. The Contractor shall provide a fixed dollar value for maintenance and repair as outlined in the applicable line items in Section C.3.b. of the Contract such that the Contractor’s obligations will be explicit as to maintenance of the State’s equipment and facilities. Such maintenance and repair will not include Contractor’s normal on-site labor. A specific method of decision making concerning the use of funds for repair and replacement must be outlined. Repairs costing greater than \$15,000 shall be considered a capital item. Capital items are the responsibility of the Contractor but require State approval.
9. **RFP Amendment Effective Date.** The revisions set forth herein shall be effective upon release. All other terms and conditions of this RFP not expressly amended herein shall remain in full force and effect.