



Forsyth County Procurement

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ADDENDUM #3

RFP 20-145-3340

For: Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) meters, and system installation for the Forsyth County Water & Sewer Department.

This addendum supersedes and supplements all portions of the bidding documents and becomes part of the contract documents for the above-referenced project.

Where any item called for in the specifications or indicated on the drawings is supplemented hereby, the original requirements shall remain in effect.

Where any original item is amended, voided or superseded hereby, the provision of such item not so specifically amended, voided or superseded shall remain in effect.

Response to questions received *(response in italics)*

1. What is the failure rate percentage with the current meters in the high pressure areas of the County's distribution system?
The requested information is unknown. The County has not noticed any difference in the performance or replacement rate of the existing meters in high pressure areas of the distribution system.
2. Has the County made a decision as to whether or not a 2 to 3 week extension of the due date for proposal responses will be granted?
The closing date will not be changed.
3. If a proposer takes exception to guaranteeing meters for 20 years to withstand pressure between 150 and 220 psi in the high pressure areas of the distribution system, will their bid be disqualified?
The County prefers a 20-year warranty for all of the meters. We will not disqualify vendors for taking exception to the high pressure meter warranty, but we are scoring warranty as part of the evaluation criteria. We would like to receive the Proposers' best solution for handling our high pressure areas.
4. May we get a list of the attendees from the pre-proposal meeting? *As this was not a mandatory pre-proposal meeting roll call was not taken, but we do have a list of firms that stated they would participate, that is attached.*



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Clarifications from Pre-Proposal meeting:

1. Is a GA utilities contractor/plumbers license required?
Answer: Yes, the Proposer or its subcontractor responsible for meter installation shall have a current and valid Utilities Contractor or Plumber License in Georgia in accordance with State and local regulations. Please see Section 18.15 of Technical Requirements.
2. Is the County looking for the Proposers to submit the schedule to install meters?
Answer: Yes, the County is interested in receiving the most efficient and cost-effective AMI solution.
3. What materials are used for the County's service lines?
Answer: The service lines on the County side are a combination of copper, PVC, and blue poly. There is no galvanized piping on the County side.
4. Do you have an estimate on how much galvanized piping is on the customer side of the service line?
Answer: No, we do not have that information.
5. What meter is the County using in high pressure zones?
Answer: The County is using the standard model Neptune T10.
6. Will a vacuum truck be needed to clean the meter boxes?
Answer: The County leaves this decision to the Proposers. Means and methods will be up to the Contractor.
7. Does the prime vendor need to have a GA/Plumbers license, or could it be subcontractor doing the meter installation work hold the license?
Answer: It is acceptable for the subcontractor to meet this requirement.
8. Would the County extend the closing date?
Answer: Not at this time.
9. Is the County looking at both SaaS and NaaS solutions?
Answer: Yes, the County is interested in SaaS and NaaS solutions. As per the RFP the County is also looking at Network and System Monitoring and Management Services (refer to Section 21).
10. Is there a place to quote large meter replacements?
Answer: No, at this time the County plans on retrofitting all meters 3" and larger.
11. Do the large meters have wires/MIUs?
Answer: Nearly all the large meters have Neptune encoders and external antennas but no wires.



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12. What is the estimated percentage of meter installed indoors and require an appointment?

Answer: There are currently 10 meters (from 2" to 5/8") inside buildings and the County will coordinate access with the customer for the Installer.

13. Are the towers listed in the County Facilities for Network Locations owned by the County or a third-party?

Answer: All towers listed are owned by the County.

END OF ADDENDUM NO 3



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List of firms stating they would participate in pre-proposal call.

1. Prometers
2. United Systems & Software
3. SmartWorks
4. Hubbell
5. Kamstrup Water Metering
6. Envocore
7. Utility Partners of America
8. Concord
9. Mueller
10. Ferguson Waterworks

The call was open to all interested parties, it was not mandatory, thus roll call was not taken, others may have been on the call.