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NOTICE
INVITATION TO BID
TO
METROPOLITAN WATER RECLAMATION DISTRICT OF GREATER CHICAGO

ENERGY CURTAILMENT SERVICES

CONTRACT 26-RFP-01**

The Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago ("District") requests proposals from any prospective Proposer for the above captioned subject which is described in document 26-RFP-01.

PROPOSALS ARE DUE JULY 24, 2026

Sealed proposals, endorsed as above, will be submitted to the District via an electronic upload to the Euna Portal only. See "Submission Via the Euna Portal" section for instructions. Proposals will be accepted from the date of the Invitation to Bid, up to 11:00 A.M. Central Time ("CT"), on July 24, 2026. Bids will be deemed non-responsive if not submitted using the project-specific Euna URL link provided by the District with the bidding documents.

No bids will be accepted after 11:00 A.M. CT on the above scheduled due date. Faxed, mailed, emailed, or hand delivered proposals will not be accepted. There is no Bid Depository safe for this purpose.

The purpose of this Request for Proposal is to engage a Curtailment Service Provider to support the District's participation in the PJM Emergency Demand Response Program and to develop a strategy that maximizes financial compensation. Participant curtailment supports the grid operator in achieving critical operational goals such as frequency regulation, mitigation of peak hourly pricing, and deferral of new generation capacity required to address short-lived peak demand periods during summer conditions and polar vortex events. Participants are compensated according to their pledged load reductions. If the District is called upon to curtail energy and cannot reach its commitment, it must be able to procure additional energy demand to meet its obligation. There are no direct costs for the professional services supplied throughout the term of this Proposal; the District seeks to maximize returns from the curtailment program(s).

It is understood and agreed that the professional services described herein shall be furnished by the Proposer, as directed and ordered by the Director of Maintenance and Operations, for a period commencing upon execution of a Contractual Agreement with the District for these professional services, starting June 1, 2027.

The term of this agreement is three (3) years with the option of extending one or more times, with proportional mutual benefits, where the total period does not exceed six (6) years.

The Proposer, at a minimum, shall provide a detailed narrative including specific examples and support information of the proposed services that will be provided. This detailed narrative will address all the services listed above and all tasks required hereunder. The format of this narrative will correspond to the outline of tasks identified under the scope of work.

Copies of the Request for Proposal are only available online from the District's website at www.mwrd.org (DOING BUSINESS → PROCUREMENT & MATERIALS MANAGEMENT → CONTRACT ANNOUNCEMENTS). No fee is required for the Request for Proposal documents. Any

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questions regarding the downloading of Request for Proposal documents should be directed to contractdesk@mwrdd.org or call (312) 751-6643.

The District assumes no liability or responsibility for the failure or inability of any Proposer to successfully download any and all RFP documents, including but not limited to specifications, proposal forms and/or plans, as a result of any type of technological computer and/or software system failure or breakdown that restricts, prohibits or prevents successful downloading of any and all District RFP documents by the Proposer, whether caused by the District or other parties, directly or indirectly.

Proposers are to include with their proposal signed copies of any addenda, or acknowledge receipt of any addenda, if the District issued any addenda to this RFP. Failure to do so may be cause for the rejection of any bid. Bidding documents are available only online, and any addenda issued for this RFP will be available online at the District's website, www.mwrdd.org (Doing Business→Procurement and Materials Management→Contract Announcements). Addenda will also be emailed/faxed to each person receiving a set of such RFP documents and to such other prospective Proposers who have requested that they be furnished with a copy of the addenda.

If any potential Proposer contemplating to submit a proposal is in doubt as to the true meaning of any part of the specifications or other RFP documents, such inquiry should be submitted online at the District's website, www.mwrdd.org. The path is as follows: Doing Business→Procurement and Materials Management→Contract Announcements. The District will provide an online response to such inquiries, as the District deems appropriate. Strings of appropriate questions and answers regarding the bidding documents will be available online on the District's website until the bid opening date of the bidding documents. No questions will be accepted by telephone, fax, email, mail, or any other such form of delivery.

The District will only respond to questions received online up to ONE WEEK prior to the date set to receive proposals. The District will not respond to questions received after this date. The District does not guarantee the timeliness of responses provided online, nor does the District guarantee that such responses will be provided in adequate time to affect the submission of bids. The District must provide responses online ONLY if the responses do not interpret or otherwise change the bidding documents.

The District's responses online are NOT official responses and, therefore, are not binding to the bidding documents. Any official interpretation or change to the bidding documents will be made only by addenda duly issued to all plan holders on record by the Director of Procurement and Materials Management.

The Resident Engineer for the request for proposal is Matt McGregor, Managing Engineer. The Resident Engineer will provide online responses to online inquiries.

The District reserves the right to accept any Request for Proposal or any part thereof or to reject any and all Request for Proposals.

Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

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DATE OF ADVERTISEMENT: Wednesday June 17, 2026