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PRIVATE LEAD SERVICE LINE REPLACEMENT REQUEST FOR PLUMBER QUALIFICATIONS

I. GENERAL

The City of Waterloo is seeking qualifications from licensed plumbers or utility contractors who are interested in performing private lead water service line replacement work in the City of Waterloo. The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources has made funds available through the Federal Safe Drinking Water Loan Program to qualified municipalities in order to eliminate the privately owned portion of a lead water service line serving single family homes, commercial establishments which include a dwelling, multifamily buildings, licensed daycare facilities and K-12 schools. Licensed plumbers or utility contractors providing appropriate responses to the RFQ will be placed on a pre-qualified list. Owners of eligible properties, using a licensed plumber/utility contractor from the pre-qualified list for private lead service line replacement, will be able to apply for reimbursement in the form of a grant, or a grant and loan for the costs associated with the lead line replacement. The City of Waterloo anticipates funding of approximately 200 private lead service line replacements through this initial program funding cycle.

II. PROJECT GOAL

The goal of this program is to eliminate private lead service lines and thereby eliminate the potential health hazards associated with lead service lines. For the purposes of the SDWLP program, private lead service line replacement means, 'the replacement of the existing lead water service line between the curb stop and the water meter within the structure.

Through the municipality, the SDWLP Private Lead Service Line Replacement Program will provide reimbursement of eligible costs for a property owner to replace a private lead service line at the properties described above. Typical costs may include the cost of excavation, materials, labor, backfill and restoration. No-dig methods of pipe installation will also be considered as a typical cost. Non-typical costs at a property may also be allowed pending review and approval by the municipality and the SDWLP Private Lead Service Line Replacement Program. A non-typical cost might include the cost of rerouting the private portion of the water line to a more acceptable location within a structure when it results in an overall cost savings.

III. SCHEDULE

On-going	Plumber's RFQ's accepted by City.
May 9, 2017	Prequalified contractor list is available and posted on municipal website.

May 9, 2017 City will begin accepting applications for private lead service line replacement funding.
June 1, 2020 Funding applications will no longer be accepted.

IV. **PROJECT FUNDING REQUIREMENTS**

Based upon SDWLP lead service line replacement project guidelines the City of Waterloo will reimburse pre-approved property owners for qualified lead line replacement costs when a prequalified licensed plumber or utility contractor is used by the property owner to complete the lead line replacement. In order to comply with the SDWLP funding requirements, the City of Waterloo will require that licensed plumber/utility contractors perform the work in accordance with the following:

1. Work is to be performed by a licensed plumber under section SPS 305.90 Wis. Adm Code or utility contractor under section SPS 305.97 Wis. Adm. Code.
2. Work is to be performed in accordance with the plumbing code requirements found in Wis. Adm. Code SPS Chapters 381-391.
3. Work is to be performed as required by all applicable OSHA requirements or standards.
4. Adequate financial records shall be established and maintained in accordance with the municipal SDWLP Financial Assistance Agreement.
5. The City of Waterloo will require pre-approval for each address where lead line replacement is proposed. The City will provide a property owner program application.
6. Licensed plumbers or utility contractors performing lead service line replacement work will need to comply with the SDWLP financial agreement requirements including the use of American Iron and Steel.
7. Certification of Use of American Iron and Steel will be necessary for reimbursement of project costs. Reimbursement of project costs will not be approved without UAIS certification. **“All materials used in the lead service line replacement project must be in full compliance with the use of American Iron and Steel requirement as mandated in EPA’s State Revolving Fund programs.”**

V. **DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (DBE)**

The City of Waterloo encourages DBEs including MBEs and WBEs, to submit proposals for the purpose of being included on the municipality’s list of prequalified plumbers for the Lead Service Line replacement program. Contractors soliciting for subcontractors must also make a good faith effort to contract with subcontractors meeting the DBE requirements

VI. **DAVIS-BACON REQUIREMENTS**

Funding for private lead service line replacement is being provided by the US-EPA and the federal Davis-Bacon wage rate requirements **will** apply in the following circumstance:

- A property that is owned by a business entity (trust, LLC, etc.) and will be using a plumber or utility contractor that has employees (that are not business owners).

Davis-Bacon wage rate requirements **will not** apply in the following circumstances:

- The property is owned by an individual or individuals and will be using a plumber or utility contractor that does have employees.

- The property is owned by a business entity (trust, LLC, etc.) and the plumber or utility contractor completing the work is an individual or has no employees.

The City of Waterloo will assist in determining property ownership and whether or not Davis-Bacon wage rates apply.

VII. USE OF AMERICAN IRON & STEEL

Plumbers or contractors performing private lead service line replacement will need to certify the Use of American Iron and Steel to property owner to remain eligible for reimbursement of project costs. Reimbursement of project costs will not be approved without UAIS certification. **“All materials used in the lead service line replacement project must be in full compliance with the use of American Iron and Steel requirement as mandated in EPA’s State Revolving Fund programs.”**

VIII. RFQ SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS

Use the one-page form provided to submit information. Licensed plumbers or utility contractors participating in this program are required to submit a response to this RFQ.

- a. Name and physical address of plumbing or utility contractor business location.
Not a PO Box.
- b. Name of owner(s) or registered agent(s).
- c. Utility contractor or plumbers license numbers.
- d. Number of years and months in business as a licensed plumber or utility contractor.
- e. General Business information: Provide the number of years the firm has been engaged in water service line installation or replacement work.
- f. Submit a current certificate of insurance.

Email completed RFQ’s to: cityhall@waterloowi.us

Or mail to: City of Waterloo
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Business Name:
Address:
Owner's Name or registered agent:
Utility Contractor or Plumber's license #
Years in business:
How many replacements of this type has firm done in last three years?

Attach current certificate of insurance

Signed: _____

Date: _____

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