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INVITATION TO BID

Sealed proposals addressed to Mr. Gavino Sotelo, General Manager, Laguna Madre Water District, 105 Port Road, Port Isabel, Texas, 78578 for:

PROCUREMENT OF PIPE MATERIALS FOR
FAST TRACK CUATES PIPELINE IMPROVEMENTS

will be received until **1:00pm, Thursday, May 17, 2012**, at the District's Office at 105 Port Road; Port Isabel, Texas; 78578, at which time and place the proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud. Any bid received after the time set for opening bids will be returned unopened. Proposals may be modified or withdrawn at any time prior to the time set for opening bids.

General Project Description
This will be a procurement contract for 15,500 feet of 24-inch or 30-inch diameter pipe and related fittings and valves to be used in the construction of Fast Track Cuates Pipeline Improvements. The District reserves the right to assign this materials contract to a Construction Contractor, or to take delivery of the items under this contract for construction by the District.

Complete contract documents, as needed for bidding on the project, may be purchased from the Engineer, **Espey Consultants, Inc., dba RPS Espey,** at a non-refundable cost of **$50.00** per set for pickup at the address of 2777 North Stemmons Freeway, Suite 1102; Dallas, Texas; 75207. Sets can be ordered upon receipt of shipping vendor account number and prepayment of deposit. Copies of the Contract Documents have also been provided to the following locations where the documents can be examined free of charge:

1. Rio Grande Valley AGC of Texas, 505 East Expressway 83, Pharr, TX 78577
   Phone: (956) 702-6899;
2. Rio Grande Valley AGC of Texas, 6918 West Expressway 83, Harlingen, TX 78552,
   Phone: (956) 423-4091; and
3. Laguna Madre Water District, 105 Port Rd., Port Isabel, TX 78578,
   Phone: (956) 943-2626.

Proposals shall be accompanied by either a Bid Bond or certified check upon a national or state bank in an amount not less that 5 percent (5%) of the total maximum bid price, payable without recourse to the Laguna Madre Water District as a guarantee that the bidder will within ten (10) days after notice of award enter into a Contract.

Equal Opportunity in Employment – All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, age, handicap or national origin. Bidders on this work will be required to comply with the President's Executive Order No. 11246, as amended by Executive Order No. 11375, and as supplemented in Department of Labor regulations 41 CFR Part 60.

The District reserves the right to reject any or all bids and accept or reject any informality. Award shall be made to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder; however, the District reserves the right, after evaluation of all bids received, to make no recommendation to its Board of Directors regarding the award of any bid in the event non-responsive, non-conforming, or otherwise unacceptable bids are received, or if budgetary constraints or other unanticipated factors exist. No bid may be withdrawn until the expiration of 60 days from the date bids are opened.

Laguna Madre Water District

By: _____

Gavino Sotelo
General Manager

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CONTRACT DOCUMENTS AND TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS FOR **PROCUREMENT OF PIPE MATERIALS FOR FAST TRACK CUATES PIPELINE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT**

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