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To: All Prospective Bidders

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Subject: Addendum # 2, Q&A, to IFB 24-069 - Hymax Couplings, Adapters and Parts

The purpose of Addendum 2, Q&A, is to answer questions received by the deadline and to subsequently modify IFB Section 1.2 – Objective; Section 2.A.1 – Specifications and Scope of Work, Overview; Attachment 1 – Bid Submission Form instructions for Attachment 4 Pricing Schedule; and Attachment 4 – Pricing Schedule A1. Modifications are highlighted in **Red** for Additions and **Black** for Deletions.

Question 1:

“Would FFX Water allow other vendors to be used on this solicitation? IE Romac Macro Couplings, or Dresser Inc. TX3 coupling?”

Answer 1: *Yes: Romac Macro HP Two-Bolt Extended Range Coupling, available in diameters 2-inches through 16-inches, is an acceptable substitute for Bid Items 2 through 8 Hymax Coupling; however, the Dresser Inc. TX3 coupling shall not be an acceptable substitute for any items.*

Question 2:

“Due to availability concerns would Fairfax be open to allowing the Romac Alpha or Smith Blair 421 coupling to be used on this solicitation?”

Answer 2: *Yes: Smith Blair Model 921, available in diameters 2-inches through 12-inches, is an acceptable substitute for Bid Items 12 through 14– Hymax Flange Adapter; Smith Blair Model 421, available in diameters 2-inches through 12-inches, is an acceptable substitute for Bid Items 2 through 7 - Hymax Coupling; and Romac Alpha Wide Range Restraint Coupling, available in diameters 4-inches through 12-inches, is an acceptable alternative for Bid Items 16 through 20- Hymax Restrained Grip Coupling.*

**End of questions. See modifications on Addendum 2, Pages 2 through 4.
Acknowledge Receipt of Addendum 2 on Page 5.**

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1.2 Objective

The objective of this Invitation for Bid (IFB) is to establish ~~at least one~~ Contract for as-needed purchase of Hymax brand couplings, adapters and parts; **Romac brand Alpha Wide Range Restraint Coupling and Macro HP Two-Bolt Extended Range Coupling; and, Smith Blair Model 921 and Smith Blair Model 421 adapters**, as outlined in Section 2.0, Specifications & Scope of Work.

2 SPECIFICATIONS & SCOPE OF WORK

A. Overview

1. FW is soliciting Bids from qualified Bidders to provide FW with new, brand-name-only Hymax couplings, adapters and parts. FW's Approved Products List (APL), latest version, designates four particular Hymax products for use: (1) Hymax, Flange Adapters; (2) Hymax, Two Bolt Wide Range Couplings; (3) Hymax, Versa Couplings – Clamps; and (4) Hymax, Grip Couplings; all with appropriate accessories. **Approved equals shall include the following in Attachment 4 – Pricing Schedule, Amendment 1: Romac Macro HP Two-Bolt Extended Range Coupling, available in diameters 2-inches through 16-inches, is an acceptable substitute for Bid Items 2 through 8 Hymax Coupling; Smith Blair Model 921, available in diameters 2-inches through 12-inches, is an acceptable substitute for Bid Items 12 through 14– Hymax Flange Adapter; Smith Blair Model 421, available in diameters 2-inches through 12-inches, is an acceptable substitute for Bid Items 2 through 7 - Hymax Coupling; and Romac Alpha Wide Range Restraint Coupling, available in diameters 4-inches through 12-inches, is an acceptable alternative for Bid Items 16 through 20- Hymax Restrained Grip Coupling**
2. Design and performance specifications of approved products for Bid are delimited by the APL. The latest version shall be referenced as in Attachment 3. The specifications list manufacturers whose products have been tested and approved for use by Fairfax Water. If any modifications, changes, or alterations have been made by the manufacturer to previously approved products after product approval, the revised product is not considered to be approved for acceptance under this Contract and will require approval prior to acceptance as an approved product.

2.14 Unit Prices Prevail

In the event that there is a mathematical error on the summary sheet, the unit price for each item shall prevail. All costs to provide the goods and/or services specified in this solicitation shall be shown on the attached Bid summary sheet. Line items left blank will be interpreted as ~~at no cost to FW~~ **no Bid from the Bidder**.

4.3 Ordering Procedures

When more than one Contract is in place for named equivalent items, all Contractors shall quote delivery in days after receipt of order, and the Contracted item with the lowest Contracted unit price shall be ordered if its quoted delivery fulfillment date meets the needs of FW. If the quoted

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delivery date for the Contracted item with the lowest Contracted unit price does not meet the needs of FW, then the next lowest Contracted item with the next lowest Contracted unit price shall be ordered if its quoted delivery fulfillment date meets the needs of FW, until all Contracted items are evaluated based on the best interests of FW for ordering.

Bid Submission Form: Attachment 4 Pricing Schedule

Bidders must submit Unit Price ~~and Total Price~~ for All Items in a Lot, if Bidding on a Lot. Bidders may Bid on one or more Lots. Bidders may Bid on Lot I, Lot 2 and/or Lot 3 of the ~~Pricing Schedule Attachment 4~~ Attachment 4 – Pricing Schedule A1.

Bidders must also submit a Percentage Discount Off Catalog For Unlisted ~~Hymax~~, Items ~~in Lot II of the Pricing Schedule Attachment 4~~ if Bidding on a Lot. Bidders shall use Attachment 4 to enter Unit Price ~~in Lot I~~ and Percentage Discount ~~in Lot II~~. Bidders shall print the completed Attachment 4 file and include immediately following Attachment I, Bid Submission Form.

Bid Evaluation Formula

The award, if made, will be to a minimum of one (1) Bidder who is responsible and provides the lowest responsive Bid Total for Lot 1, for Lot 2, and for Lot 3. A price must be entered for each Bid Item in a Lot to be considered for award. If there is a variance between a Unit Price and the Total Price, the Unit Price will prevail. ~~If FW deems it necessary or in its best interests to make award to more than one (1) Bidder, the additional awards will be made to responsible Bidders submitting responsive Bids in ascending order starting with the second (2) lowest Bid Total and continuing until, in the sole discretion of FW, sufficient awards have been made to fulfill the anticipated requirements.~~ In the event multiple awards are made, no minimum percentage of the Work is guaranteed to any Contractor. When multiple awards are made, preference will be given to the ~~Bidder submitting the lowest Bid Total~~ lowest Unit Price among peer Bid Items in ordering performance, subject to the reasonable discretion of FW in achieving prompt, efficient and acceptable performance. Bid Total listed below must match the pricing entered in the Pricing Schedule at Attachment 4 from Cell ~~G42~~B3 cell if Bidding Lot 1, B4 cell if Bidding Lot 2, and B5 cell if Bidding Lot 3 in the Bid Total Tab. If Bidder chose not to Bid any Lot, Bidder shall write “No Bid” for any such Lots. Any blank spaces in the below Bid Total in Figures table shall be interpreted as “No Bid”.

Bid Total in Figures

Bid Totals by Lot	
Lots	Bid Totals
Lot 1	
Lot 2	
Lot 3	

By my signature I certify that I am acting as an agent or in the case of an LLP, the Partner or Managing Partner for the firm identified below and I am fully authorized to bind the firm to the terms, conditions and Specifications of this solicitation, as well as any addenda thereto.

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Company Name: _____

Signature: _____ Printed Name: _____

Title: _____ Date _____

Attachment 4 - Pricing Schedule

Attachment 4 – Pricing Schedule A1 has been revised.

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I. Acknowledgement

Acknowledge your receipt of, and compliance with, this Addendum by either signing the attached acknowledgement page, or referencing its receipt and your compliance, in your Bid.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT OF ADDENDUM #2

I certify that the information contained in the Bid submitted on behalf of the below named firm incorporates any and all changes to the original specification. I further certify by my signature below, that I am fully authorized to acknowledge receipt of the above addendum and to bind the below named firm to the terms, conditions, and specifications of the IFB and any changes thereto made by this addendum.

ACKNOWLEDGED BY:

FOR: _____
Company Name Date

Signature of Authorized Agent

Printed Name Title