

Greater Texoma Utility Authority
Request for Qualifications for Financial Advisor - Amended

Greater Texoma Utility Authority is seeking qualifications for financial advisor services for various water and sewer projects funded utilizing the Texas Water Development Board Clean Water State Revolving Fund and the Drink Water State Revolving Fund.

Scope of Work: 1) Quantitative financial structuring 2) Pricing oversight; 3) Comprehensive credit analysis; 4) Assistance to the Authority and the Authority's bond counsel in preparation of the TWDB loan application; 5) Closing coordination with TWDB.

Statement of Qualifications (SOQ): Furnish an SOQ to include the following information:

1) Experience with TWDB funded projects; 2) Respondents shall be independent of a broker/dealer and the TWDB; 3) Provide financial advisory rankings for the last three (3) years.

Submission Requirements:

If your firm is interested in being considered for this assignment, submit your SOQ to General Manager, Greater Texoma Utility Authority, 5100 Airport Drive, Denison TX 75020 (US Mail and delivery) (903-786-4433) no later than 3:00PM CDST July 25, 2017. Two copies of the SOQ must be submitted. Each statement should be limited to no more than 10 pages including the cover letter.

TWDB's Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) / Women's Business Enterprise (WBE) Requirements:

This contract is contingent upon release of funds from the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB). Any contract or contracts awarded under this Request for Qualifications (RFQ) are expected to be funded in part by a loan from the TWDB. Neither the State of Texas nor any of its departments, agencies or employees are or will be a party to this RFQ, or any resulting 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 11375, and as supplemented in Department of Labor Regulations 41 CFR Part 60.

This contract is subject to the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) "fair share policy," which includes EPA-approved "fair share goals" for Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) & Women Business Enterprise (WBE) firms in the Construction, Supplies, Equipment, and Services procurement categories. EPA's policy requires that applicants and prime contractors make a good faith effort to award a fair share of contracts, subcontracts, and procurements to Minority Business Enterprise and Women-Owned Business Enterprise firms. Although EPA's policy does not mandate that the fair share goals be achieved, it does require applicants and prime contractors to demonstrate use of the six affirmative steps. The current fair share goals for the State of Texas are as follows:

	<u>MBE</u>	<u>WBE</u>
Construction	12.94%	8.72%
Equipment	7.12%	5.39%
Services	10.84%	5.72%
Supplies	9.68%	9.34%