September 11, 2020

NOTICE OF PROCUREMENT SELECTION PROCESS – DO NOT CONTACT

As announced by the Executive Director at the Authority's regularly scheduled Sepember 8, 2020 public meeting, a notice and selection process for professionals to be involved with an upcoming Clean Water Initiatve/State Revolving Fund (SRF) bond issue on behalf of the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) is underway.

The Authority ask all SRF vendors under contract with the Authority to NOT contact either the staff or the Members of the Authority or the IEPA until this process is completed, voted upon by the Members of the Authority, or otherwise authorized.

Authority staff have been instructed to not respond to such SRF vendor inquiries or to reach out to such entities. This notice is being posted on the Authority's website and will be used in response to email, text, telephone or other communications by SRF vendors. We ask vendors to respect the Authority's vendor selection process, as well as applicable law.

During the SRF selection period, communications from all **non-SRF** vendors, whether or not currently under contract with the Authority, should be directed to <u>Vendor_Communication@il-fa.com</u>, which will monitored by staff and responded to as appropriate.

To the extent that any perceived, potential or other conflicts are indentified among the Authority staff team or Authority Members those staff are or will be walled off from the selection process. With respect to Authority Members, this process has been recusal and absenting oneself from discussions, deliberations, influence and voting.

-Executive Director Chris Meister