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Procurement Notice

November 14, 2024

As announced by the Executive Director at the Authority's regularly scheduled November 12, 2024 public meeting, a selection process for professionals to be involved with potential upcoming Clean Water Initiatve/State Revolving Fund (SRF) bond issue(s) on behalf of the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) is underway.

The Authority ask all SRF vendors under contract with the Authority or any other person 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 or any other communication related to this procurement. We ask vendors to respect the Authority's vendor selection process, as well as applicable law. If any **current SRF vendor** or any other person has questions about the procurement process, please submit them to IFA's procurement communications inbox at <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, November 14, 2024