

## RCH Water Supply Corporation Request for Proposals to Acquire the RCH System

RCH Water Supply Corporation (RCH) is considering the sale or transfer of its assets/system. This RFP seeks qualified proposals from parties interested in acquiring the RCH system. These submittals will be reviewed by the RCH Board of Directors. It is anticipated that upon receipt of all submittals and selection, RCH will immediately begin negotiating a binding agreement which will result in the transfer of RCH's Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (CCN) and dissolution of RCH. RCH reserves the right to decline all submittals.

RCH is a member-owned rural water supply company which serves areas in and around McLendon-Chisholm, Texas. With approximately 2,600 meters, predominantly residential, RCH owns a pump station, water tower, and storage facilities at a single site north of its system. RCH currently purchases its water from the City of Rockwall.

### 1 RFP Schedule & Submissions

- **Responses are due by close of business June 20, 2023**
- RCH will review and make an announcement by June 22, 2023
- Negotiations on an agreement to commence immediately thereafter.
- RCH membership vote within 30 days of contract execution.
  
- Responses should be sent to:
  - David Naylor, RCH Board President [naylor@rchwatersupply.com](mailto:naylor@rchwatersupply.com)
  - Jim Bradbury, RCH counsel [jim@bradburycounsel.com](mailto:jim@bradburycounsel.com)

#### Review of RCH System & Submission of Questions

- To assist with the proposal, RCH will permit qualified respondents to inspect the system at convenient times. These should be coordinated with the people listed above. RCH will make every effort to accommodate the requests; however, scheduling constraints may limit availability.
- RCH will make every effort to make available the information requested but may be unable to provide requested documentation during this time frame.

### 2 Detailed Responses

- Responses to the RFP should provide details addressing the following:
  - Qualifications and experience in owning and operating a water system
    - Including references
  - Description of assets/liabilities to be acquired
  - Purchase price of the RCH system
  - Ability and willingness to immediately step in to operate and administrate the RCH system
    - Draft agreement for these services would be accepted as part of the RFP submission
  - Strategic Plan – both short term and long term
  - Customer Service interface – how will our members interact, bill pay options, etc.?
  - Firm Commitment – termination provisions

- The respondent will be responsible for all costs associated with obtaining regulatory approvals.
- While detailed term sheets are being requested, draft agreements, in addition to the detailed term sheet, will be accepted.

### 3 Confidentiality

- RCH will maintain the confidentiality of the responses. However, the respondent will permit RCH to share the information as necessary to present to its members. All information made available to respondents will be subject to a confidentiality agreement.