REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NANAIMO

NOTICE OF INTENT TO AWARD CONTRACT – No. 23-020

Issued: March 6, 2023

Vendors are advised the Regional District of Nanaimo (RDN) intends to direct award an Autothermal thermophilic aerobic digestion (ATAD) mixer contract valued over $75,000 to INVENT Environmental Technologies Inc. (INVENT) for supply of four (4) new hyperboloid mixer/aerators at its French Creek Pollution Control Centre located at 957 Lee Road, Parksville, BC.

The RDN wishes to direct award for the following reasons:

- The hyperboloid mixer/aerator was selected as the most cost-effective technology for mixing the ATAD sludge by an independent engineering consultant.

- INVENT was the recommended supplier by the independent engineering consultant as they are the only known provider of hyperboloid mixer/aerators in North America who have experience with mixing ATAD sludge, and they have local representation for implementation and follow-up support.

Vendors wishing to challenge the RDN's intention to direct award this work to INVENT must submit their objection, in writing, with reference applications in ATAD mixing via email to the following person on or before **3:00 p.m. PST on March 20, 2023**:

Rob Wood, Project Engineer
Regional District of Nanaimo
Email: rwood@rdn.bc.ca

Challenges must be submitted on company letterhead and be signed by an individual authorized to represent the company submitting the challenge. Challengers must clearly state the reasons why they believe they are qualified to undertake the work that is being proposed to be direct awarded and why the work should be competitively tendered.

The RDN retains the right to determine its future course of action depending on any responses received and to perform its due diligence as required prior to making a final decision.