

NOTICE OF INTENT TO AWARD CONTRACT No. 23-030

Issued: 11 April 2023

Vendors are advised that the Regional District of Nanaimo (RDN) intends to direct award a contract to Knappett Industries Ltd. for the repair of six manholes at the Pacific Shore Sanitary Sewer Service Area.

The estimated value of the agreement is less than \$75,000.

The RDN wishes to direct award for the following reasons:

- As per the permits obtained from the Fisheries and Oceans Canada and the Ministry of Forests, RDN needs to use construction equipment that runs on biodegradable fluid and several spill and sediment control equipment will need to be made available on-site during construction. Knappett is able to supply all of these equipment.
- The repair works must be completed on the month of July 2023 as per the permit requirement and Knappett has committed to complete this work on July 2023.
- Knappett is the only vendor that provided quotation to the RDN, in the past, for the similar works.

Vendors wishing to challenge the RDN's intention to direct award a contract to Knappett Industries Ltd. must submit their objection, in writing, via email to the following person on, or before 3:00 p.m. PST on 18 April 2023:

Rocky Chowdhury, M.Sc., P.Eng. Project Engineer, Water Services Regional District of Nanaimo Email: <u>rchowdhury@rdn.bc.ca</u>

Objections must be submitted on company letterhead and be signed by an individual authorized to represent the company submitting the objection. Vendors must clearly state the reasons why they believe they are qualified to supply the equipment that is being proposed to be direct awarded and why it 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.