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TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION FOR TPDES PERMIT FOR INDUSTRIAL WASTEWATER RENEWAL
PERMIT NO. WQ0001000000

APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION. Total Petrochemicals & Refining USA, Inc., P.O. Box 888, Deer Park, Texas 77536, which operates the La Porte Polypropylene Plant, a facility which manufactures polypropylene plastic, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for a renewal of Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (TPDES) Permit No. WQ0001000000, which authorizes the discharge of process wastewater, utility wastewater, previously monitored effluent (treated domestic wastewater via internal Outfall 101), and stormwater at a daily average flow not to exceed 1,700,000 gallons per day via Outfall 001 and stormwater on an intermittent and flow-variable basis via Outfall 002. The TCEQ received this application on January 2, 2018.

The facility is located at 1818 Independence Parkway South, approximately 1.6 miles south of the San Jacinto Monument, in the City of Deer Park, Harris County, Texas 77571. This link to an electronic map of the site or facility's general location is provided as a public courtesy and is not part of the application or notice. For the exact location, refer to the application. http://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/hb610/index.html?lat=29.728086&lng=-95.085394&zoom=13&type=r

The effluent is discharged from Outfall 001 to Phillips Ditch, thence to Santa Anna Bayou, thence to the Houston Ship Channel/San Jacinto River Tidal; and from Outfall 002 via a 12-inch pipe to Phillips Ditch, thence to Santa Anna Bayou, thence to the Houston Ship Channel/San Jacinto River Tidal in Segment No. 1005 of the San Jacinto River Basin. The unclassified receiving water uses are minimal aquatic life use for Phillips Ditch and high aquatic life use for Santa Anna Bayou. The designated uses for Segment No. 1005 are noncontact recreation and high aquatic life use.

The TCEQ executive director has completed the technical review of the application and prepared a draft permit. The draft permit, if approved, would establish the conditions under which the facility must operate. The executive director has made a preliminary decision that this permit, if issued, meets all statutory and regulatory requirements. The permit application, executive director's preliminary decision, and draft permit are available for viewing and copying at La Porte Branch Library, 600 South Broadway Street, La Porte, Texas.

PUBLIC COMMENT/PUBLIC MEETING. You may submit public comments or request a public meeting about this application. The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit written or oral comment or to ask questions about the application. Generally, the TCEQ will hold a public meeting if the executive director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing.

OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING. After the deadline for public comments, the executive director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. **The response to comments, along with the executive director's decision on the application, will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments or who requested to be on a mailing list for this application. If comments are received, the mailing will also provide instructions for requesting a contested case hearing or reconsideration of the executive director's decision.** A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in a state district court.

TO REQUEST A CONTESTED CASE HEARING, YOU MUST INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS IN YOUR REQUEST: your name, address, phone number; applicant's name and proposed permit number; the location and distance of your property/activities relative to the proposed facility; a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the facility in a way not common to the general public; a list of all disputed issues of fact that you submit during the comment period; and the statement "[I/we] request a contested case hearing." If the request for contested case hearing is filed on behalf of a group or association, the request must designate the group's representative for receiving future correspondence; identify by name and physical address an individual member of the group who would be adversely affected by the proposed facility or activity; provide the information discussed above regarding the affected member's location and distance from the facility or activity; explain how and why the member would be affected; and explain how the interests the group seeks to protect are relevant to the group's purpose.

Following the close of all applicable comment and request periods, the executive director will forward the application and any requests for reconsideration or for a contested case hearing to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting.

The Commission may only grant a request for a contested case hearing on issues the requestor submitted in their timely comments that were not subsequently withdrawn. **If a hearing is granted, the subject of a hearing will be limited to disputed issues of fact or mixed questions of fact and law relating to relevant and material water quality concerns submitted during the comment period. TCEQ may act on an application to renew a permit for discharge of wastewater without providing an opportunity for a contested case hearing if certain criteria are met.**

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ACTION. The executive director may issue final approval of the application unless a timely contested case hearing request or a timely request for reconsideration is filed. If a timely hearing request or request for reconsideration is filed, the executive director will not issue final approval of the permit and will forward the application and requests to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting.

MAILING LIST. If you submit public comments, a request for a contested case hearing or a reconsideration of the executive director's decision, you will be added to the mailing list for this specific application to receive future public notices mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk. In addition, you may request to be added to: (1) the permanent list for a specific applicant name and permit number; and (2) the mailing list for a specific county. If you wish to be placed on the permanent and the county mailing list, clearly specify which list(s) and send your request to TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below.

All written public comments and public meeting requests must be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, TCEQ, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, TX 78711-3087 or electronically at www.tceq.texas.gov/about/comments.html within 30 days from the date of newspaper publication of this notice.

INFORMATION AVAILABLE ONLINE. For details about the status of the application, visit the Commissioners' Integrated Database at www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/cid. Search the database using the permit number for this application, which is provided at the top of this notice.

AGENCY CONTACTS AND INFORMATION. Public comments and requests must be submitted either electronically at www.tceq.texas.gov/about/comments.html, or in writing to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. Please be aware that any contact information you provide, including your name, phone number, email address, and physical address will become part of the agency's public record. For more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the TCEQ Public Education Program, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040 or visit their website at www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/pep. Si desea informacion en Espanol, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040.

Further information may also be obtained from Total Petrochemicals & Refining USA, Inc., at the address stated above or by calling Ms. Amy Geist, P.E., at 281-476-3829.

Issued: July 12, 2018

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COMPETITIVE SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED BY PROCUREMENT SERVICES, PORT OF HOUSTON AUTHORITY EXECUTIVE OFFICE BUILDING, ATTN: BID/PROPOSAL RECEIPT DEPARTMENT, 111 EAST LOOP NORTH, HOUSTON, TEXAS 77029 UNTIL 11:00 A.M., ON AUGUST 22, 2018 FOR THE FOLLOWING:

CONSTRUCT RAIL SPUR AT BAYPORT TERMINAL - CSP

A PRE-PROPOSAL CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD AT THE PORT AUTHORITY EXECUTIVE BUILDING – BOARDROOM, 111 EAST LOOP NORTH, HOUSTON TEXAS 77029 ON AUGUST 7, 2018, 8:30 AM SO THAT THE PROSPECTIVE PROPOSERS MAY ASK QUESTIONS CONCERNING THIS PROJECT.

SPECIFICATIONS MAY BE OBTAINED FROM PORT HOUSTON'S ePROCUREMENT WEBSITE https://buyspeed.poha.com/bso/.

PROPOSALS WILL BE OPENED AT 11:30 A.M. OF THE DAY DUE IN THE PROCUREMENT SERVICES OF THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE BUILDING, 111 EAST LOOP NORTH, HOUSTON, TEXAS. THE PORT AUTHORITY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ANY OR ALL PROPOSALS OR RESPONSES.

REQUEST FOR COMPETITIVE SEALED PROPOSALS

2018 ISC TECHNOLOGY & FALCON ANNEX IMPROVEMENTS
CYPRESS-FAIRBANKS INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
Cypress-Fairbanks ISD Proposal No. 18-06-5423R-RFP

The Cypress-Fairbanks Independent School District will accept Base Competitive Sealed Proposals until 2:00 P.M. and Alternate Competitive Sealed Proposals until 3:00 P.M. on Thursday, August 23, 2018, at the Cypress-Fairbanks Independent School District Windfern Administrative Annex, 12510 Windfern Road, Houston, Texas 77064 for the 2018 ISC Technology & Falcon Annex Improvements project. A Pre-Proposal Conference will be held on Wednesday, August 8, 2018 at 10:00 A.M. at the above location. Proposal Evaluation Criteria are published in the "Instructions to Offerors" section of the proposal documents. Plans and specifications will be released on Friday, August 3, 2018, and are available to general contractors from the following address upon deposit of $150.00 per set: PBK Architects, Inc., 11 Greenway Plaza, 22nd Floor, Houston, Texas 77046, 713-965-0608. The Owner reserves the right to waive any informalities and to reject any or all proposals.

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GRANT FUNDING OPPORTUNITY

METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY OF HARRIS COUNTY

2018 CALL FOR PROJECTS
5307 Urbanized Area Formula, 5337 State of Good Repair and 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities Formula Grant Programs

Project Proposals are due to METRO by September 14, 2018, at 4:00 P.M. (CST), by electronic submittal to: *grantapplications@ridemetro.org.*

Late submittals will not be accepted.

Pre-Application Workshop
Monday, August 13, 2018
2:30 P.M. - 4:30 P.M.
METRO
1900 Main Street
2nd Floor, Room 02022
Houston, Texas 77002

The Metropolitan Transit Authority of Harris County is conducting a Call for Projects for the 5307 Urbanized Area, 5337 State of Good Repair and 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities Formula grant programs.

Congress establishes the funding for FTA programs through authorizing legislation that amends Chapter 53 of Title 49 of the U.S. Code. On December 4, 2015, President Obama signed the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act, reauthorizing surface transportation programs through Fiscal Year 2020. The FAST Act continued the 5337 State of Good Repair and 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities formula programs established in MAP-21 and the 5307 Urbanized Area Formula Program.

The application details are available to download from the METRO website at ***http://www.ridemetro.org/Pages/GrantPrograms.aspx.*** Questions submitted by August 20 will be posted by August 27. Please check back for updates.

For more information about these programs or questions regarding the application and budget process, please email ***grantapplications@ridemetro.org*** or call Mr. Albert Lyne, METRO Director of Grant Programs, at 713-739-4697.

The Houston Housing Authority ("HHA"), is soliciting competitive fees for Comprehensive Legal Services in accordance with the requirements and terms and conditions specified in RFP 18-13 Comprehensive Legal Services.

Interested parties who wish to respond to this solicitation must submit the required documents in a sealed envelope by 4 P.M. CDT, Aug 22, 2018 to Houston Housing Authority Attn: Orfelia Altuna. Subject: RFP 18-13 Comprehensive Legal Services - DO NOT OPEN 2640 Fountain View Drive Houston, T exas 77057.

RFP 18-13 can be obtained by going to the doing business with HHA section of HHA's website at www.housingforhouston.com, or by sending an e-mail to HHA's Procurement Dept. at Purchasing@housingforhouston.com with RFP 18-13 in the subject line.

A Fair and Equal Employment Opportunity Agency. For assistance: Individuals with disabilities may contact the 504/ADA Administrator at 713-260-0528, TTY 713-260-0574 or 504ADA@housingforhouston.com

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SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED BY PROCUREMENT SERVICES, PORT OF HOUSTON AUTHORITY EXECUTIVE OFFICE BUILDING, 111 EAST LOOP NORTH, HOUSTON, TEXAS 77029 UNTIL 11:00 A.M., ON AUGUST 22, 2018 FOR THE FOLLOWING:

PURCHASE OF FOUR (4) SEPARATING TWIN-LIFT SPREADER BARS AND ONE (1) OVERHEIGHT FOR BARBOURS CUT AND BAYPORT TERMINALS

A PRE-PROPOSAL CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD AT THE BAYPORT CONTAINER TERMINAL ADM. BLDG., 12621 PORT ROAD, SEABROOK, TEXAS 77586 ON AUGUST 14, 2018, 10:00 AM SO THAT THE PROSPECTIVE PROPOSERS MAY ASK QUESTIONS CONCERNING THIS PROJECT.

FIRMS INTERESTED IN SUBMITTING PROPOSALS FOR THIS PURCHASE MAY OBTAIN A COPY OF THE RFP FROM THE PORT OF HOUSTON AUTHORITY'S WEBSITE, http://buyspeed.poha.com/bso, WHERE VENDOR REGISTRATION AND "PROCUREMENT PACKAGE" DOWNLOAD INSTRUCTIONS ARE AVAILABLE.

Competitive Sealed Proposals addressed to Spring B ranch Independent School District, ATTN: Director of Purchasing will be received in the SBISD Purchasing Office at 1031 Witte RD, BLDG T-1A, Houston, TX 77055-6016 until:
AUGUST 29, 2018 @ 11:00 AM FOR: ANNUAL CONTRACT FOR CHARTER BUS AND TRANSPORTATION SERVICES (12804)
Proposals will be publicly opened and read at 1031 Witte Road, Building T-1A, Houston, TX 77055, immediately following the deadline for the receiving of the proposals.
For information contact the SBISD Purchasing Department at (713) 251-1101
Proposers may download documents from SBISD website on or after 8/06/2018 at:
http://cms.springbranchisd.com/skin2/purchasing/tabid/16019/default.aspx

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San Jacinto College District (SJCD)
Central Campus Welcome Center

Tellepsen Builders, L.P., serving as CMAR for the San Jacinto College District, requests Lump Sum proposals for the new SJCD Central Campus Welcome Center. Included in this package are all Site, Structural, Exterior, Interior, and MEP trades, with the exception of Structural Steel Fabrication.

Proposals are due to Tellepsen Builders, L.P. by 2:00 P.M. local time on Wednesday, August 29, 2018, by email to bidtaker@tellepsen.com, fax to (281-931-4468), or hand/mail delivery to Tellepsen at 777 Benmar Drive, Suite 400, Houston, TX 77060. **Late proposals will not be accepted** .

A Pre-Bid Conference for this package is scheduled for Tuesday, August 14, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. local time, at the San Jacinto College – Central Campus, located at 8060 Spencer Hwy, Pasadena, TX 77505, in Building C.19, Room 111
NOTE: This project is subject to prevailing wage rates – see Project Specifications for applicable rates.

All proposals shall remain valid for 90 days. The owner, CM at Risk and Architect reserve the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any informalities and irregularities in the proposal process and to make awards in the best interest of the San Jacinto Community College District.

Project Documents and Specifications are available at the following locations for Respondents to review for preparation of their Proposals:

Tellepsen's Houston Office -777 Benmar, Suite 400, Houston, TX 77060

SmartBidNet- By Invitation

AGC – Houston - 3825 Dacoma St., Houston, TX 77092 (713-843-3700)

Contact Mercedes Lopez-Berrios at (281-272-4939) or mberrios@tellepsen.com for information.

SEALED BID AUCTION OF SURPLUS REAL ESTATE

Metropolitan Transit Authority of Harris County, Texas (METRO), is accepting separate sealed bids for the sale of each surplus real property described below. Only separate bids for each surplus property will be accepted at the METRO Procurement Division Plan room, 2nd Floor, 1900 Main Street, Houston, Texas 77002. The deadline for submitting bids is 3:00 p.m. on **Monday, August 27, 2018**. The bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at 10:00 a.m. on **Tuesday, August 28, 2018.**

A. 12,519 sq. ft. being all of the remainder of Lot 1, Blk 6, H. A. Paine Add. and all of the remainder of Lots 1 and 2 and all of Lots 3 and 4, Blk 27, Leeland Park Add. out of the Luke Moore Survey, Abs. No. 51, Houston, Harris County, Texas, a/k/a 2215 Scott St., Houston, Texas 77004. METRO has established a floor bid price of **$350,000.00** for the surplus property and will consider only those bids that equal or exceed the floor bid price.

B. 25,146 square feet being the residue of a called 0.5641-acre tract and a 0.3586-acre tract of land situated in the Luke Moore Survey, Abstract No. 51 in Harris County, Texas, a/k/a 5709 Martin Luther King Blvd., Houston, Texas 77021. METRO has established a floor bid price of **$180,000.00** for the surplus property and will consider only those bids that equal or exceed the floor bid price.

Bid packages containing the title commitment and survey, forms of purchase agreement and deed, may be obtained by visiting METRO's website at *www.ridemetro.org/Pages/RealEstate.aspx.*

METRO reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to: (i) waive any informalities or minor defects in bids; (ii) reject any or all bids for any reason or for no reason; and/or (iii) cancel the solicitation for bids at any time prior to the bid submittal deadline, without penalty. METRO may accept the highest and most advantageous bid, as determined by METRO in its sole discretion. METRO reserves the right to accept the next highest and advantageous bid if the previously selected bid fails to close in accordance with the terms of the bid package documents.

Each bid must be accompanied by a certified or cashier's check drawn on a national bank located in Houston, Texas, payable solely to Metropolitan Transit Authority of Harris County, Texas, in the amount of $5,000, as a guarantee that bidder will enter into a contract upon final approval by METRO. The bid deposit must be included in the same envelope as the bid, and bids submitted without the bid deposit will not be considered. Except for the three (3) highest bidders, all bid deposits will be returned within five (5) days after the bid deadline. The successful bidder will be required to provide earnest money under the purchase agreement in the bid package in an amount not less than ten percent (10) of the bid amount, to which the bid deposit may be applied.

Contact Gabriel Matos at 713-652-8006 or Sandra Sanders at 713-739-4048 for information.

ADVERTISEMENT FOR SUBCONTRACTOR/VENDOR PROPOSALS
San Jacinto College District (SJCD)
South Campus Engineering & Technology Center

Tellepsen Builders, L.P., serving as CMAR for the San Jacinto College District, requests Guaranteed Maximum Price proposals for the SJC Engineering & Technology Center. Included in this package are Site, Structural, Exterior, Interior, and MEP trades.

Proposals are due to Tellepsen Builders, L.P. at 2:00 P.M. local time on Wednesday 22, August 2018, by email to bidtaker@tellepsen.com, fax to (281-931-4468), or hand/mail delivery to Tellepsen at 777 Benmar Drive, Suite 400, Houston, TX 77060. **Late proposals will not be accepted.**

A Pre-Bid Conference for this package is scheduled for Thursday 9, August 2018 at 10:00 a.m. local time, at the San Jacinto College – South Campus Building 12 (Room S12.101) located at 13735 Beamer Rd. Houston, TX. 77089.

NOTE: This project is subject to prevailing wage rates – see Project Specifications for applicable rates.

All proposals shall remain valid for 90 days. The owner, CM at Risk and Architect reserve the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any informalities and irregularities in the proposal process and to make awards in the best interest of the San Jacinto Community College District.

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS
The Metropolitan Transit Authority of Harris County, Texas (METRO) is planning to issue the procurement document listed in this advertisement.
IFB No. 4018000192: Laboratory Testing and Analysis of Fluids, Gases and Waste Liquids. Solicitation will be available on or about 8/6/2018.
IFB No. 4018000212: Purchase and Delivery of Lamps for METRO's Transit Vehicles. Solicitation will be available on or about 8/6/2018
Prospective bidders/proposers can view and download the solicitations by visiting METRO's website at *https://www.ridemetroapp.org/procurement/*
If you are unable to download the documents or having difficulty, please contact METRO Plan and Bid Room at (713) 739-4881

Sealed Bid Solicitation #CM02-19
Houston-Galveston Area Council
Cooperative Purchasing Program
Portable Construction & Maintenance Equipment
Pre-Bid Conference: 08/14/18 @ 9am
Response Deadline: 10/18/18 @ 1pm
Public Opening: 10/18/18 @ 2pm
3555 Timmons Lane, Houston, TX.
Per ADA, reasonable accommodation provided with 24 hour prior notice.
832-681-2514 or www.hgacbuy.org for info.

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Panda party

France's first baby panda, Yuan Meng, celebrates his first birthday with a bamboo-filled cake Saturday at the ZooParc in Beauval, France.

ISRAEL

Thousands rally against law on Jewish nation

TEL AVIV — Tens of thousands of people rallied Saturday in Tel Aviv to protest a new law that declares Israel the exclusive homeland of Jewish people.

Minorities and many Jewish Israelis alike have criticized the law, adopted last month, for recognizing Israel as a Jewish state and saying "the right to exercise national self-determination in the State of Israel is unique to the Jewish people."

The law also downgraded Arabic from an official language to having "special status."

Druze community members organized Saturday's march.

The Druze, numbering around 130,000 in Israel, have had special status since the 1950s, when they were drafted into the military, unlike Israel's Muslim and Christian populations.

A third Druze officer resigned from the Israeli army last week in protest, Israel's public broadcaster Kan reported.

RUSSIA

Oil workers among 18 dead in copter crash

MOSCOW — A Russian helicopter crashed shortly after takeoff Saturday in Siberia, killing all 18 people aboard, mostly oil workers, authorities said.

The Interstate Aviation Committee, which oversees civil aviation in much of the former Soviet Union, said the Mi-8 helicopter collided with the load being carried by another helicopter.

Both had taken off from the same pad in Vankor, above the Arctic Circle, some 1,600 miles northeast of Moscow.

The second helicopter was undamaged and landed safely, the committee said.

DEMARK

Woman is first to be fined for wearing veil

A 28-year-old woman wearing a face veil has become the first person in Denmark to be fined for violating a new law banning such garments in public places.

Danish news agency Ritzau reported that police were called Friday to a shopping center in Horsholm, a city of 46,000 close to Copenhagen, to confront a woman wearing a niqab garment covering her face.

The woman was fined 1,000 Danish kroner ($156) and was asked to either remove the veil or leave the premises.

She opted to leave.

Since Aug.1, the country's much-debated "Burqa Ban" has prohibited full-body burqas, as well the niqab — Muslim dress which only shows the eyes.

Both are rare in Denmark.

From wire reports