RE: Invitation to Bid – Bid 25-B1, Utility Class Wood Poles

You are invited to submit a bid to supply Utility Class Wood Poles described in the enclosed Exhibit A, "Material Specifications", for Trinity Public Utilities District (District) in accordance with the provisions of these instructions and the enclosed Contract for Providing Utility Class Wood Poles.

Your sealed bid must be received by the District at the District's office, P.O. Box 1216, 26 Ponderosa Lane in Weaverville, California no later than 1:00 p.m. on September 24, 2025. Bids received after that time, even if postmarked earlier, will not be accepted. Bids will be opened at 1:05 p.m. on the same date the bids are due in the District office. You are welcome to attend the bid opening. Bid award vests solely with the District's Board of Directors. The Board is scheduled to consider bid award at its October 9, 2025, meeting; but the District may consider the bids for a period of up to sixty (60) days after the bids are due.

To submit a bid please complete and sign the attached Bid Form. No alternative forms or styles will be accepted. Where so indicated by the Bid Form, sums shall be expressed in both words and figures, and in case of discrepancy between the two, the amount written in words shall govern. Interlineations, alterations and erasures must be initialed by the signer of the bid.

All Bid Forms shall be submitted in a sealed opaque envelope and accompanied by the following:

- 1. A completed and signed Noncollusion Affidavit.
- 2. A brief summary of the Bidder's experience, qualifications and ability to satisfactorily supply the Utility Class Wood Poles.
- 3. An outline of the Bidder's organization structure which will support the proposed work.
- 4. Any exceptions to this Notice Inviting Bids or conditions contained in the Contract for Providing Utilities Class Wood Poles including the Material Specifications.

If the Bidder fails to fully provide the foregoing documentation in a sealed envelope containing the executed Bid Form, the Bidder's bid will be non-conforming and may be rejected by the District.

THE SEALED ENVELOPE SHALL BE DELIVERED:

By USPS: Trinity Public Utilities District Attention: Delmont Senter Electric Superintendent P.O. Box 1216 Weaverville, CA 96093 By Federal Express, UPS, or hand-delivery: Trinity Public Utilities District Attention: Delmont Senter Electric Superintendent 26 Ponderosa Lane Weaverville, CA 96093 Identify your sealed envelope with your name and the notation: Bid Number 25-B1 for Utility Class Wood Poles. If delivered by USPS, the sealed envelope shall be enclosed in a separate mailing envelope. Oral, facsimile or telegraphic bids will not be accepted. Bids delivered in an unsealed envelope or in an envelope that is not clearly identified as a bid will not be accepted. Bids received after the time and date for receipt of bids shall be returned unopened. The Bidder shall assume full responsibility for the timely delivery of bids at the location designated for receipt of bids.

If more than one bid is received from any individual, firm, partnership, corporation or association under the same or different names, then all such bids will be rejected. If there are reasonable grounds for believing that any Bidder is interested in more than one of the bids for the work, then all such bids will be rejected. If there is reason to believe that collusion exists among Bidders, then all of the bids associated with such collusion will be rejected.

A submitted bid may be withdrawn at the submitter's request, only upon the District's receipt, prior to the time and date designated for receipt of bids, of written notice signed by the person authorized to submit the bid. A new bid may be submitted to supersede a withdrawn bid, provided that both the new bid and the written notice of withdrawal are received at the District's office, before the time and date designated for receipt of bids, and further provided that the new bid fully conforms with these instructions.

A contract shall be executed by the successful Bidder in substantially the form of the enclosed "Contract for Utility Class Wood Poles" and returned within ten (10) days after receipt of the Contract. If the Bidder refuses to return an executed Contract within the time prescribed, the District may award the Contract to the next lowest responsible Bidder.

All questions regarding these Bid Instructions should be referred to Delmont Senter, Electric Superintendent, telephone number (530) 623-5537 or via fax, (530) 623-5549. However, no clarification or interpretation shall be binding on the District unless a request for such interpretation or clarification is made in a written request to the District at least seven (7) days prior to the date of bid opening and the District issues a written addendum to the bidding documents. Written addenda will be mailed or delivered to all who are known by the District to have received these Bid Instructions. No addenda will be issued later than four (4) days prior to the date for receipt of the bids, except for an addendum that cancels or postpones the date for receipt of bids.

The District reserves the right to cancel its Notice Inviting Bids without proceeding to an award. The District reserves the right to reject any or all bids received as the public good may require and to waive any informality in bidding, including but not limited to incomplete, irregular, or inconsistent bids.

The District intends to award a Contract to the lowest responsible Bidder, but only if the District is satisfied that such Bidder has the requisite experience and ability to successfully supply the poles as planned. The District shall have the right to accept alternates in any order or

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combination and to determine the lowest responsible Bidder on the basis of the acceptable alternates.

Sincerely,

Delmont Senter Electric Superintendent

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