



Bidder's American Iron and Steel Certification



SRF Project Number _____

Project Name _____ Division _____

Project Sponsor _____

Both the Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) and the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) require loan recipients to use iron and steel products that are produced in the United States in a manner that complies with the American Iron and Steel (AIS) requirement for projects that involve the construction, alteration, maintenance, or repair of a public water system or treatment works. For more information about AIS requirements and authorization, visit the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)'s website: <https://www.epa.gov/cwsrf/state-revolving-fund-american-iron-and-steel-ais-requirement>.

As a bidder for the project listed above, I certify that I have read, understand, and will comply with the "American Iron and Steel" provisions as required by federal law. Furthermore, I understand that AIS provisions apply to any and all portions of this project, including subcontracted portions and that I certify to the best of my knowledge and belief that I will identify domestic sources of AIS-covered products, provide verification documentation for AIS-compliance, and when needed provide waiver documentation per current EPA guidance.

I understand that a false statement on this certification may be grounds for rejection or termination of any award.

Signature of Bidder Date

Printed Name and Title of Bidder

Name of Bidder's Company

Bidder's Company Address

Bidder's Telephone Number

Instructions for Completing DHEC 2556

PURPOSE: The Bidder's "American Iron and Steel" Certification is used to certify that, as required by federal law, all of the iron and steel products permanently incorporated into a project funded with assistance by the State Revolving Fund are produced in the United States in a manner that complies with the AIS requirement, unless a waiver is granted by the EPA.

GENERAL INFORMATION: AIS Guidance identifies "iron and steel" products as the following products made primarily of iron or steel: lined or unlined pipes and fittings, manhole covers, *municipal castings, hydrants, tanks, flanges, pipe clamps and restraints, valves, *structural steel, *reinforced precise concrete, and *construction materials. (*Note that several of these products are actually categories of products.)

Relevant AIS information is posted on the EPA's website, including guidance, examples of AIS-compliant documentation, currently approved national waivers, and information on how to request an individual project waiver: <https://www.epa.gov/cwsrf/state-revolving-fund-american-iron-and-steel-ais-requirement>.

INSTRUCTIONS: The contractor bidding on a project funded in whole or in part by the SRF will enter SRF project number, name, and project sponsor's name (utility, town, etc.).

Certify that the contractor will comply with AIS requirements by signing the form. Include the date, name, and title of the bidder, name of bidder's company, bidder's address, and bidder's telephone number. Please note that AIS covered materials to be supplied by a subcontractor must be AIS compliant as well.

The Project Sponsor must submit this form from the winning bidder (typically as part of the bid package) either by email to the DHEC project manager or by mail to: State Revolving Fund Division, S.C. DHEC, 2600 Bull Street, Columbia, SC 29201.

OFFICE MECHANICS AND FILING: The SRF Division will use this form to document bidder compliance with AIS. The form will be kept in the Bidding file for the named project and will be retained for three years following the final SRF disbursement to the project's Sponsor - per Retention Schedule 15795.