PUBLIC NOTICE FOR REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

The Western Illinois Economic Development Authority (Authority) hereby gives public notice that it is requesting proposals from interested and qualified candidates, contractors, non-profit, non-governmental and for-profit entities for the selection process for

Professional Services of Executive Director

The Authority is an Illinois Special District, created under the Illinois Compiled Statutes, The Authority is governed by a Board of Directors that serve terms appointed by the Governor of Illinois and the County Board Chairmen of the Illinois Counties of in the Authority's jurisdiction, The Authority also has ex-Officio members. The Authority has the powers of a political subdivision, body politic and municipal corporation that include the power to issue bonds and administer other economic development programs and services.

Copies of the Request-for-Proposal (RFP) are available on the Authority website at www.wieda.com. Qualified candidates interested in providing a proposal are asked to present their qualifications for the position including but not limited to their: experience working with public sector entities, including state, county, local and special district units of government; qualifications, understanding, experience and specific casework examples relating to the issuance of taxable and tax-exempt municipal bonds; experience in marketing, advertising, public outreach, communications support, publicity, promotional, design and development and special projects; familiarity and experience with the: Authority Act; the Federal Tax Reform Act of 1986 (26 IRC 141-6 et. seq.); the Illinois Private Activity Bond Allocation Act, (30 ILCS 345 et. seq.); and the Illinois Open Meetings Act, and the Illinois Freedom of Information Act; proposed compensation for the position; knowledge and experience with the type of projects considered by the Authority in the territory served by the Authority; and Professional References.

Proposals for FY 2025 must be received by <u>Friday, December 20, 2024</u> at 5:00 PM CST, after which time and date they will no longer be accepted. The Authority plans to annually solicit RFPs for Executive Director Professional Services that will be due on March 1st of each year for a one-year fiscal year period beginning on July 1 through June 30th. Copies of future RFPs will be available on the Authority's website at

www.qcreda.com. The Authority is an Equal Opportunity Employer and encourages minority and women owned contractors to submit proposals for this work. The Authority reserves the right to determine the most qualified candidates, to waive irregularities, and to reject any or all proposals. If you have any questions regarding the RFP, please contact the RFP Contact at chairman@wieda.com.