## THE FOLLOWING CHANGES ARE TAKING PLACE AS A RESULT OF THE 2014 LEGISLATIVE SESSION:

## PUBLIC FACILITIES AUTHORITY/CLEAN WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND/DRINKING WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND (Effective Immediately)

- Information can be found at http://water.epa.gov/grants funding/aisrequirement.cfm
- Implementation of American Iron and Steel Requirements
- Use iron and steel products that are produced in the United States for projects for construction, alteration, maintenance, or repair of a public water system or treatment works.
- Pertains to the entirety of the project no matter when construction begins or ends.
- Applies to all parts of the project, no matter the source of the funding.
- Further information will be included in subsequent solicitation documents.

## **WOMEN'S ECONOMIC SECURITY ACT** (Effective August 1, 2014)

- Information can be found at <a href="https://www.revisor.mn.gov/bills/text.php?number=HF2536&session=ls88&version=list&session\_number=0.8session\_year=2014">https://www.revisor.mn.gov/bills/text.php?number=HF2536&session=ls88&version=list&session\_number=0.8session\_year=2014</a>
- Applies to all contracts over \$500,000
- Requires certificates of compliance issued by the Commissioner of the Department of Economic and Employment Division (DEED) of the State of MN
- Certificates will be required when bid or proposal documents are received from respondents

## **RESPONSIBLE CONTRACTOR** (Effective for bids advertised starting January 1, 2015)

- Information can be found at <a href="https://www.revisor.mn.gov/laws/?id=253&doctype=Chapter&year=2014&type=0">https://www.revisor.mn.gov/laws/?id=253&doctype=Chapter&year=2014&type=0</a> (please see Subd. 3 for Minimum criteria)
- Applies to all construction projects over \$50,000
- Applies to all prime contractors and subcontractors.
- Prime contractors will be required to submit a signed statement made under oath by the
  owner or officer that verifies compliance with the requirements at the time the prime
  responds to a solicitation document. Failure to provide the documentation will lead to a
  not responsible finding.
- The prime must also collect verification of compliance from the subcontractors which may be collected.
- If the contractor or subcontractor does not meet the minimum criteria or fails to verify that it meets those criteria they will be found not responsible