

Open Bidding saves municipalities \$\$



Special interests are attempting to block PVC pipe manufacturers from bidding on municipal projects, despite PVC's proven reliability, durability, and cost-efficiency.

Groups like DIPRA, the Ductile Iron Pipe Research Association, fight to block open bidding on projects where the most reliable and cost-effective piping material wins. Instead, DIPRA tries to block competition from PVC because they know it will hurt their members' bottom line.



Franklin County, OH has a **CLOSED BIDDING** system and spent \$51.83 per foot for 8-12" pipe installed.

But Delaware County, OH has an **OPEN BIDDING** system that doesn't restrict pipeline bidders to a particular material, and spent \$33.33 per foot – **saving taxpayers 35.6%**.

On average, pipe capital costs alone in Delaware County, OH **saved 32% to 35%** compared to jurisdictions with **CLOSED BIDDING**.

Throughout OH, total construction costs in jurisdictions that allowed **OPEN BIDDING** saved nearly **13.6%**.

With savings of \$97,680 per mile in Delaware County capital costs, jurisdictions with **OPEN BIDDING** across the country could save taxpayers nearly \$1,000,000 for every ten miles of pipeline.

PVC's lead-free composition and superior quality must be given equal consideration in helping our nation fix its deteriorating metallic water infrastructure.

