

**INVITATION TO BID  
TOWN OF CARTHAGE  
PROPOSED SEWER LIFT STATION & RELATED SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS**

This project consists of the excavation and installation of a new 10-foot diameter pre-cast sewage lift station with new 70-hp submersible pumps for the Town of Carthage, TN. The construction and installation includes all materials, labor, equipment, controls, appurtenances, and all other items necessary to complete the work.

Sealed bids will be received by the Town of Carthage, 314 Spring Street, Carthage, Tennessee 37030 until **2:00 p.m., Wednesday, September 2, 2015**, and then will be publicly opened and read aloud.

**Each Bidder shall note that any request for interpretation regarding the plans, specifications or other bidding documents shall be received at least five (5) days prior (August 28, 2015 at 2:00 p.m.) to the date fixed for the opening of bids.**

All bids must be made out on the Bid Form found in the Contract Documents. The instructions to Bidders, Form of Agreement, Specifications and other bidding instruments may be examined at the following locations:

Town of Carthage  
314 Spring Street  
Carthage, Tennessee 37030

Warren and Associates Engineering, PLLC  
109 Pennsylvania Avenue  
Lebanon, Tennessee 37087

Questions concerning the plans or bidding documents should be directed to the attention of Jerry B. Warren, P.E. of Warren and Associates, Telephone: 615-444-2996, Fax: 615-444-2961. Copies of the bidding instruments may be obtained at the Engineer's Office in Lebanon, Tennessee for the non-refundable fee of \$150 per set.

With his bid, each Bidder must deposit security in the amount of five percent (5%) of the amount of the bid, subject to the conditions stated in the Instructions to Bidders. Performance and Labor and Material Bond each in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the contract sum will be required of the successful Contractor. Bids may not be withdrawn for a period of 60 days after bid opening.

All Bidders must be licensed Contractors as required by Chapter 6 of Title 62 of the Tennessee Codes Annotated). In accordance with Tennessee Codes Annotated 62-6-119, no bid will be opened unless the outside of the sealed envelope containing the bid provides the following information: the Contractor's license number, the date of the license's expiration, and a quotation of that part of his classification applying to the bid. In the case of joint ventures, this information must be provided by each party submitting the bid. Funding for this project is provided by the State Revolving Fund (SRF), and all SRF requirements will need to be met.

**DAVIS-BACON ACT AND BUY AMERICAN IRON AND STEEL REQUIREMENTS:** This project is being funded by a State Revolving Fund loan on or after 2014 EPA Fiscal Year. The loan recipient must be in compliance with all applicable Davis-Bacon Act and Buy American Iron and Steel requirements.

**DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISES (DBE) REQUIREMENTS:** Any contract or contracts awarded by the Owner through this invitation for bids will be funded by a State Revolving Fund (SRF) loan from the State of Tennessee. State and Federal funds will be involved in this project, and, as a result, Bidders must comply with the SRF Loan Program's Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE) requirements including contacting a minimum of 10 qualified DBE sub-contractors, professional service providers, vendors, and/or suppliers by certified mail to solicit bids. The apparent successful Bidder must submit to the Owner copies of the certified letters and return receipts prior to contract award. Neither the State of Tennessee nor any of its departments, agencies, or employees is or will be a party to this Invitation for Bids or any resulting contract(s) awarded by the Owner.

The successful Bidder must agree to fully complete the project within **180 consecutive calendar days** from and including the day of issuance of the Notice to Proceed from the Town of Carthage.

Bidder must agree to pay, as liquidated damages, the sum of \$750.00 per each calendar day thereafter as hereinafter provided.

The Town of Carthage reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any informalities in bids, to evaluate bids and to accept any bid which, in the Owner's opinion, may be in the best interest of the Owner.

No contract is given or implied to the successful Bidder until the project is fully funded and a written contract is offered by the Town of Carthage and signed by all parties.