ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
SEWERAGE SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS
CLEVELAND UTILITIES
SRF PROJECT NO. 2022-473
DAVIS-BACON WAGE RATES APPLY

Separate sealed BIDS for the construction of Sewerage System Improvements for Cleveland Utilities, will be received at 2450 Guthrie Avenue NW, Cleveland, Tennessee 37311 until 2:00 p.m. Eastern Time, Tuesday, October 11, 2022, at which time and place they will be publicly opened and read aloud. Any bid mailed shall be sent to Jon A. Sparkman, P.E., Manager, Water and Wastewater Division Engineering, Cleveland Utilities, P. O. Box 2730, Cleveland, TN 37320-2730. Any bid sent by FedEx or similar company shall be sent to Jon A. Sparkman, P.E., Water and Wastewater Division Engineering, Cleveland Utilities, 2435 Guthrie Drive NW, Cleveland, TN, 37312. The Contractor is fully responsible for making sure the sealed bid is delivered to Cleveland Utilities by the closing date and time.

A Pre-Bid Conference will be held at 10:00 a.m. Eastern Time, Thursday, September 29, 2022 at 2450 Guthrie Avenue NW, Cleveland Tennessee 37311. All bidders are encouraged to attend for pre-qualification. Prospective Bidders shall bring to this conference pre-qualification information including work performed on three similar projects with references and evidence of proper Tennessee Contracting License. Failure to submit pre-qualification information by close of business the date of the Pre-Bid Conference can result in disqualification.

The work is in one Contract and includes the following general items of work:

CONTRACT 21-01
HIWASSEE RIVER WWTP UV DISINFECTION SYSTEM

- Ultraviolet Disinfection Structures and Equipment
- Electrical and Controls Building
- Site Piping
- Chlorine Contact Chamber Covers
- Standby Diesel Generator

as described in the Detailed Specifications and shown on the Plans.

The allotted time for construction for this Contract is 365 calendar days. Liquidated damages are one thousand dollars ($1,000.00) per calendar day.

The CONTRACT DOCUMENTS may be examined at the following locations:

J. R. Wauford & Company, Consulting Engineers, Inc., 2835 Lebanon Pike, Nashville, TN 37214
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Governor’s Office of Diversity Business Enterprise, Central Procurement Office, 312 Rosa L. Parks Ave. 3rd Floor, Wm. R. Snodgrass TN Tower, Nashville, TN 37243

Complete digital project bidding documents are available at www.questcdn.com and/or www.jrwauford.com. Bidders may download the digital plan documents for $50.00 by inputting Quest project # 8286520 on the QuestCDN project search page. Please contact QuestCDN at 952-233-1632 or info@questcdn.com for assistance in free membership registration, downloading, and working with the digital project information. Inquiries should be directed to Greg Davenport, P.E., Project Manager, gregd@jrwauford.com, 615-883-3243.

FEDERAL AND STATE FUNDS

This project will be partially funded with funds from the Tennessee State Revolving Fund Loan Program, SRF Project No. 2022-473; therefore, is subject to the Federal laws and regulations associated with these programs.

DAVIS-BACON ACT and 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 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.

SPECIAL NOTICE TO DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISES (DBE) FIRMS

All qualified Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE) firms desiring to bid as a General Contractor, sub-contractor, professional service provider, supplier, or equipment vendor are encouraged to contact the DBE office listed above to review bidding/contract documents. Qualified Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE) firms may also contact J. R. Wauford & Company, Consulting Engineers, Inc., 2835 Lebanon Pike, Nashville, TN 37214, 615-883-3243 in order to obtain a list of prospective bidding General Contractors or to obtain copies of bidding/contract documents.
Each bidder must deposit with his bid, security in the amount, form and subject to the conditions provided in the Instructions for Bidders.

All bidders shall comply with all provisions of TCA 50-9-113 as it relates to Drug-Free Workplace requirements. The Contractor shall complete the Drug-Free Workplace Affidavit of the Prime Bidder form and submit it with his/her bid. The Contractor shall be responsible for any of its Subcontractor(s) compliance with said law.

All bidders shall comply with all provisions of Chapter 878 of TCA 12-4-1 as it relates to certification of compliance regarding illegal immigrants. The Contractor shall complete the Statement of Compliance Certificate Illegal Immigrants and submit it with her/her bid. The Contractor shall be responsible for any of its Subcontractor’s compliance with said law.

All bidders shall comply with all provisions of Chapter 817 of TCA 12-12-106 as it relates to certification of compliance regarding the Iran Divestment Act. The Contractor shall complete the Statement of Compliance Certificate Iran Divestment Act and submit it with her/her bid. The Contractor shall be responsible for any of its Subcontractor’s compliance with said law.

In compliance with TCA 12-4-126(a) and (b) the ENGINEER will not issue addenda less than forty-eight (48) hours before the bid opening date and time; further, any questions concerning the bid documents shall be received by the ENGINEER before ninety-six (96) hours prior to the bid opening date and time.

The successful bidder is required to furnish both an acceptable performance bond and payment bond each in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the contract price.

All bidders must be licensed general contractors as required by the Contractor’s Licensing Act of 1976 of the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee and qualified for the type of construction being bid upon. EACH BIDDER SHALL WRITE ON THE OUTSIDE OF THE ENVELOPE CONTAINING THE BID THE CONTRACTOR’S LICENSE NUMBER, THE EXPIRATION DATE, AND THAT PART OF THE CLASSIFICATION APPLYING TO THIS BID. If this is not done, the bid will not be opened.

Each bidder shall be properly licensed and abide by the provisions of TCA 62-6-119 including part (b) which states in part:

“(b) The person or entity involved in the preparation of the invitation to bid or comparable bid documents, including any electronic bid documents, shall direct that the following information be written upon the bid envelope or provided within the electronic bid document: (1) The name, license number, expiration date thereof, and license classification of the contractor applying to bid for the prime contract; (2) The name, license number, expiration date thereof, and license classification of the contractor applying to bid for the masonry contract where the total cost of the materials and labor for the masonry portion of the construction project exceeds one hundred thousand
dollars ($100,000); (3) The name, license number, expiration date thereof, and license classification of the contractor applying to bid for the electrical, plumbing, heating, ventilation, or air conditioning contracts except when such contractor's portion of the construction project is less than twenty-five thousand dollars ($25,000); (4) For each vertical closed loop geothermal heating and cooling project, the company name, Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation license number, classification (G, L or G,L) and the expiration date, except when the geothermal portion of the construction project is in an amount less than twenty-five thousand dollars ($25,000); (5) Prime contractor bidders who are to perform the masonry portion of the construction project which exceeds one hundred thousand dollars ($100,000), materials and labor, the electrical, plumbing, heating, ventilation or air conditioning or the geothermal heating and cooling must be so designated; and (6) Only one (1) contractor in each of the classifications listed above shall be written on the bid envelope or provided within the electronic bid document."

The Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive informalities, and to negotiate with the apparent qualified best bidder or bidders to such extent as may be necessary.

No bidder may withdraw his bid for 90 days, while the Owner considers the bids. Mutually agreed upon time extensions may be made if necessary.

Attention of bidders is particularly called to the requirements as to conditions of employment to be observed and minimum wage rates to be paid under the contract, Section 3, Segregated Facility, Section 109 and E.O. 11246.

It is the policy of Cleveland Utilities to ensure compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964; 49 CFR, Part 21; related statues and regulations to that end that no person shall be excluded from participation in or be denied benefits of or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance or any other funding source on the grounds of race, color, sex, national origin, or ancestry. By virtue of submitting a response to this solicitation, bidders agree to comply with the same non-discrimination policy.

CLEVELAND UTILITIES
/s/

Jon A. Sparkman, P.E., Manager
Water and Wastewater Division Engineering

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