

SECTION 00020 INVITATION FOR BIDS DIVISION "A"

The Ellore Water System will receive Sealed Bids for the **Water System Rehabilitation Project, Division "A"**, until 2:00 PM July 23, 2024 at the Ellore Water System at 2623 E. Cleveland St., Ellore, SC 29047, at which time and place all Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

Base Bid Division A-1: Replacement of existing water mains with approximately 740-LF of new 8" water main and approximately 38-LF of 6" water main along Hampton Street in Ellore between Railroad Avenue and Highway 6. Project also includes connections to existing water mains, installation of gate valves, a fire hydrant assembly, restrained joint fittings, water service connections, removal and replacement of asphalt roadway and asphalt driveways, milling and overlay of asphalt roadways, removal and replacement of concrete sidewalks, abandonment of existing water mains, and all other necessary appurtenances as specified and depicted in the Contract Documents.

Base Bid Division A-2: Refurbishment of the Town of Ellore's Hampton Street well. The refurbishment will include construction of: chemical cleaning of existing well, replacement of existing well pump and piping, yard piping and fittings, a chemical building with chemical equipment, a chemical storage building, site work, an electrical rack and canopy, electrical equipment and improvements, and tie-in of the new yard piping to the water distribution system. The project also includes demolition of an existing ground storage tank, booster pump station, and storage building that are located at the Hampton Street well site.

Contract Documents, including Drawings and Technical Specifications, are on file at the following locations:

American Engineering Consultants, Inc.
1300 Twelfth Street, Suite A
Cayce, SC 29033
(PO Box 2299 / 29171)

ConstructConnect Plan Room (ConstructConnect.com)
Available In Online Plan Rooms Only

Dodge Construction Network Plan Room (Construction.com)
Available In Online Plan Rooms Only

Copies of the Contract Documents may be obtained by depositing **\$180** with the Engineer for each set of documents so obtained. The deposit is refundable to responsive bona fide bidders only. All Prime Bidders must obtain a set of Documents.

This project is being funded by a grant from the South Carolina Rural Infrastructure Authority (RIA). Bidders must be aware of and must comply with all applicable state and federal requirements identified in the bid documents. The low bidder will be required to complete all required documentation and submit to the engineer within ten (10) days of the bid opening. The

RIA must review the information and approve the contractor prior to issuance of a Notice to Proceed. Reference is made to the information included in Section 00818 - Federal Supplementary Conditions.

No bid shall be considered unless the bidder is legally qualified under the provisions of the South Carolina Contractor's Licensing Law and has a classification of General Contractor-Public Utilities and a subclassification of Water and Sewer Lines with the appropriate License Group Limitation for the Bid amount. No bidder may withdraw his Bid within 90 consecutive days after the actual date of opening.

A certified check or bank draft payable to the order of the OWNER, negotiable U. S. Government Bonds (at par value), or a satisfactory Bid Bond executed by the Bidder and an acceptable Surety in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the total Bid shall be submitted with each Bid.

Attention is called to the fact that not less than the minimum salaries and wages as set forth in the Contract Documents must be paid on this project as applicable. The Contractor shall ensure that employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of their race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.

OWNER reserves the right to reject any and/or all Bids or to waive any informality in the Bidding. Bids may be held by the OWNER for a period not to exceed ninety (90) days from the date of the opening of Bids for the purpose of reviewing the Bids and investigating the qualifications of Bidders, prior to awarding of the Contract.

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