ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Watertown Municipal Utilities Watertown, SD Water Treatment Plant Equipment Replacement

General Notice

Watertown Municipal Utilities (Owner) is requesting Bids for the construction of the following Project:

Water Treatment Plant Equipment Replacement SRF Project No. C462029-02

Bids for the construction of the Project will be received at the **Watertown Municipal Utilities; ATTN:** Secretary - WMU located at 901 Fourth Ave SW, Watertown, SD 57201 until Tuesday November 21 at 1:30 PM local time. At that time the Bids received will be publicly opened and read.

The Project includes the following Work:

The Project generally consists of construction of chlorine room improvements including demolition of the existing on-site chlorine generation system, the bulk chlorine storage tanks and associated chlorine solution piping. Addition of new bulk liquid chlorine tanks, chlorine feed pumps, chemical feed piping, chlorine room wall fire rating improvements, and new fire sprinkler system to the chlorine room. The project includes HVAC, electrical, and Instrumentation and Control improvements to the chlorine room. A new Integrity lime slaker has been procured by the Owner. The Contractor will demo the existing lime slaker and install the new slaker in Water Treatment Plant No. 2.

Bids are requested for the following Contract: **Water Treatment Plant Equipment Replacement.** Bids will be received for a single prime Contract and consist of all labor, skill, and materials required to properly construct the Project.

Obtaining the Bidding Documents

Information and Bidding Documents for the Project can be found at the following designated website:

www.ae2s.com and www.questcdn.com

Quest Project # 8791526

Bidding Documents may be downloaded from the designated website. Prospective Bidders are urged to register with the designated website as a plan holder, even if Bidding Documents are obtained from a plan room or source other than the designated website in either electronic or paper format. The designated website will be updated periodically with addenda, lists of registered plan holders, reports, and other information relevant to submitting a Bid for the Project. All official notifications, addenda, and other Bidding Documents will be offered only through the designated website. Neither Owner nor Engineer will be responsible for Bidding Documents, including addenda, if any, obtained from sources other than the designated website.

The Issuing Office for the Bidding Documents is:

Advanced Engineering and Environmental Services, LLC (AE2S), 2401 West Trevi Place, Suite 100, Sioux Falls, SD 57108

Prospective Bidders may obtain or examine the Bidding Documents at the Issuing Office on Monday through Friday between the hours of **8:00 AM to 5:00 PM**, and may obtain copies of the Bidding Documents from the Issuing Office as described below. Partial sets of Bidding Documents will not be

available from the Issuing Office. Neither Owner nor Engineer will be responsible for full or partial sets of Bidding Documents, including addenda, if any, obtained from sources other than the Issuing Office.

Each Bid shall be accompanied by a certified check or bank draft payable to the order of the Watertown Municipal Utilities in an amount equal to five percent of the total bid. A bid bond in the amount equal to ten percent of the total bid will be accepted in lieu of a certified check or bank draft. Surety for bid bond must be authorized to do business in the State of South Dakota. This is to serve as a guarantee that the Bidder will enter into a Contract within 15 days of Notice of Award in accordance with the terms of the principal's Bond and a contractor's Bond as required by law and the regulations and determinations of the governing board for the performances of such Work. Only Bids that are accompanied by such a check, bank draft, or Bond will be considered. Bidder must be licensed for the full amount of the Bid. No Bid will be read or considered which does not fully comply with the above provisions as to bond and license. Any deficient Bid submitted will be returned to the Bidder unopened.

Bidders on this Work will be required to comply with the President's Executive Order Nos. 11246 (Equal Employment) as amended. Bidders shall also comply with Executive Orders 11625, 12138, and 12432; 40 CFR part 33; Section 129 of P.L. 100-590 Small Business Reauthorization & Amendment Act of 1988; Public Law 102-389 (42 U.S.C. 437d); a 1993 appropriations act ("EPA's 8% statute"); Public Law 101-549, Title X of the Clean Air Acts Amendments of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 7601 note) ("EPA's 10% statute"), encouraging recipients to award construction, supply, and professional service contracts to minority and women's business enterprises (MBE/WBE) and small business; and requiring recipients to utilize affirmative steps in procurement. The requirements for Bidders and Contractors under these orders are explained in the specifications.

Bidders are advised that the Workforce Participation Goals are 1.3% for Minority and 6.9% for female participation in each trade. The fair share objective of this project is 1% MBE's and 4% WBE's.

Bidders on this Work will be required to comply with Public Law 115-232 Prohibition of Certain Communication Technologies

Davis-Bacon and related acts provisions apply to this project. All provisions relative to those acts must be met.

The low responsive bidder will be required to certify compliance with the American Iron and Steel provision of the Consolidated Appropriation Act of 2014. This certification form may be found on page AIS-21 of the State Revolving Fund (SRF) General Conditions and must be included in the bid proposal.

Please be advised that waivers or exemptions from the American Iron and Steel provision that cite International Trade Agreements DO NOT comply with the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2014 as it applies to the SRF programs. Claims from suppliers that the American Iron and Steel provision does not apply to certain products based on the International Trade Agreement exemptions of the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2014 will not be accepted.

This project may be partially funded using American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds. As a condition of the ARPA funding guidelines, the Contractor shall meet the minimum requirements as listed in the Instruction to Bidders.

All Bidders shall have a valid South Dakota Contractor's license of the appropriate Class for the work, as required by ARSD 20:53:06 or SDCL 36-25. Bidders shall enclose a copy of their license or Certificate of Renewal in the same envelope as the Bidders Bond. Bidder must be licensed for the full amount of the Bid. No Bid will be read or considered which does not fully comply with the above provisions as to bond and license. Any deficient Bid submitted will be returned to the Bidder unopened.

Pre-bid Conference

A pre-bid conference for the Project will be held on **Monday November 13** at **1:00 PM** at **Water Treatment Plant; 1415 Sixth Ave NW, Watertown, SD 57201** Attendance at the pre-bid conference is encouraged but not required.

Instructions to Bidders.

For all further requirements regarding bid submittal, qualifications, procedures, and contract award, refer to the Instructions to Bidders that are included in the Bidding Documents.

This Advertisement is issued by:

Owner: Watertown Municipal Utilities

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