SECTION 00020

INVITATION TO BID Bid No. 13-1718

Town of Guilford, Connecticut

Water Main Extension for Mulberry Point, Tuttles Point, and Long Cove

Sealed bids for the Water Main Extension for Mulberry Point, Tuttles Point, and Long Cove Guilford, Connecticut will be received by the Town of Guilford, Office of the First Selectman, Town Hall, Second Floor, 31 Park Street, Guilford, CT, 06437 until 2:00 P.M., local time, Thursday July 26, 2018 and then at said office publicly opened and read aloud. Bids submitted after this time will not be accepted. Each bidder must submit their original proposal with one (1) copy, one (1) electronic copy, the bid bond, certified check or cashier's check in the amount of ten percent (10%) of Bidder's maximum Bid price (determined by adding the base bid and all alternates), and other required documents, in a sealed envelope, the outside of which must be clearly marked "Water Main Extension for Mulberry Point, Tuttles Point, and Long Cove". The sealed bid envelope shall also be marked "Time Sensitive". The sealed Bids will be safeguarded until public opening.

In general, the Work involves the installation of a water main extension, including, but not limited to, installation of new water main, services, hydrants, valves, fittings, connection to an existing water main, associated earthwork, and restoration.

The Contract Documents may be examined at the following location:

1. Guilford Town Hall, Office of the First Selectman, Second Floor, 31 Park Street, Guilford, CT, 06437;

Contract Documents may be examined and/or obtained at the Wright-Pierce On-Line Plan Room.

The Issuing Office is Wright-Pierce, 169 Main Street, 700 Plaza Middlesex, Middletown, CT 06457, but paper sets will not be available at the Wright-Pierce Office. Bidding Documents may be obtained in PDF format by the Bidder at http://www.wright-pierce.com/projects.aspx. Paper copies can be purchased by the Bidder directly from the Wright-Pierce Online Plan Room only. Partial sets will not be distributed. No refunds will be given for the return of additional paper sets purchased by bidders.

Bidders will be furnished one PDF set of Bidding Documents. There will be a \$50 charge for the first download of PDF format Bidding Documents. To be considered a responsive Bidder, the Contractor shall have obtained at least one set of Bidding Documents from the Issuing Office (via the Wright-Pierce Online Plan Room). The Bid will not be awarded to a Bidder unless a record for obtaining at least one set of Bidding Documents exists in the Issuing Office. To meet

this requirement and to establish the record of receipt, a prospective Bidder must obtain Bidding Documents using the name that is to appear on the Bid Form.

This project is subject to the American Iron and Steel (AIS) provision, which requires iron and steel products used in this project be produced in the United States. For more information please visit: https://www.epa.gov/cwsrf/state-revolving-fund-american-iron-and-steel-ais-requirement

A mandatory pre-bid conference will be held at the Guilford Town Hall, conference room on second floor, 31 Park Street, Guilford, CT 06437 on <u>Friday July 13, 2018 at 10:00 A.M., local time</u>. Attendance is mandatory and participation is encouraged.

Any questions regarding the Contract Documents, policies, or procedures are to be directed to the Engineer of Record, Mariusz D. Jedrychowski PE, in writing only at Mariusz.jedrychowski@wright-pierce.com with a copy to the Purchasing Department at MillmanP@ci.guilford.ct.us Deadline for submitting questions is Friday July 20, 2018 at noon, local time.

A completed Bid Form (Section 00310); Experience Statement (Section 00405); Certificate of Authority to Sign (Section 00302); Executive Order No. 3 Compliance Statement (Section 00406); Certification of Bidder Requiring Equal Opportunity; Non-Collusion Affidavit (Section 00408); MBE/WBE Subcontract Participation on Clean Water Fund Construction Projects Requirements Understanding Form (Section 00800 SC-20); Contractor Prequalification Certificate and Contractor Update (Bid) Statement - DAS Contractor Classification 'Sewer and Water lines'; CT Water Co. Contractor Qualification and Licensing Requirements Form (Appendix G); CHRO Bidder Contract Compliance Monitoring Report (Section 00412); a tabulation of Subcontractors, Suppliers and other persons and organizations required to be identified in this Bid; and bid security in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the Total Bid (Section 00410) must be submitted with the Bid. Note that subcontractors contracting to the General Contractor for which their portion of the estimated cost is more than \$500,000, must also hold a current Prequalification Certificate for the designated classification (sewer and water lines) from the Department of Administrative Services (DAS), and must submit a copy of the contractor's DAS Prequalification Certificate and Update (Bid) Statement with the bid. The Bid Security may be either a proposal guaranty bond executed by a surety company authorized to do business in the State of Connecticut, or a certified check drawn upon a bank within the State of Connecticut. Bid Security shall be made payable to Town of Guilford, Connecticut. submitted without Bid Security will not be considered. Each bidder shall honor the bid price for ninety (90) business days from the date of the bid opening, without modification. Upon award of the bid, the winning bidder shall be bound by the bid proposal price throughout the contract period.

The bid opening will occur at least 30 days from the date of publication of the formal advertisement of the project, pursuant to RCSA Section 22a-482-4(j)2(B).

The apparent low bidder must furnish, within 14 days after the receipt of Bids, completed Minority Business Enterprise / Women's Business Enterprise Subcontractor Verification Forms, provided in the Contract Documents, along with corresponding Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) and Women's Business Enterprise (WBE) certification for each subcontractor. The

requirement for MBE/WBE subcontractor participation, expressed as a percentage of the **total contract amount**, shall be a minimum of <u>8.0 percent</u> with the following makeup:

MBE 3.0 percent WBE 5.0 percent

Failure to meet or exceed the required percentage shall render a bid-non responsive and cause the rejection of the bid.

Note: For subcontracts for material suppliers, only 25% of the dollar value of their contracts may be applied toward the required percentage listed above unless that supplier manufactures those supplies.

The successful bidder must furnish within 10 calendar days after the Notice of Award the required number of copies of the signed Agreement, plus a Certification of Non-Segregated Facilities, 100% Performance Bond, 100% Payment Bond, and begin execution of this contract within 10 calendar days following the Notice to Proceed.

Any contract or contracts awarded under the Advertisement to Bid are expected to be funded in part by a Loan from the State of Connecticut Department of Public Health's State of Connecticut Drinking Water State Revolving Fund. Neither the State of Connecticut nor any of its departments, agencies, or employees is or will be a party to this advertisement or any resulting contract. This procurement is subject to the requirements contained in Section 22a-482-4, (g), (h), (j) and (o) of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies.

The Contractor who is selected to perform this State project must comply with CONN. GEN. STAT. 4a-60, 4a-60a, 4a-60g. and 46a-68b through 46a-68f, inclusive, as amended by June 2015 Special Session Public Act 15-5.

State law requires a minimum of twenty-five (25%) percent of the state-funded portion of the contract for award to subcontractors holding current certification from the Connecticut Department of Administrative Services ("DAS") under the provisions of CONN. GEN. STAT. 4a-60g. (25% of the work with DAS certified Small and Minority owned businesses.) The contractor must demonstrate good faith effort to meet the 25% set-aside goals.

For municipal public works contracts and quasi-public agency projects, the contractor must file a written or electronic non-discrimination certification with the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities. Forms can be found at:

http://www.ct.gov/opm/cwp/view.asp?a=2982&q=390928&opmNav GID=1806

The Successful Bidder must comply with the following:

<u>Minority and Women Business Enterprises Requirements</u>: Each Bidder shall take special notice of the Minority and Women Business Enterprise Subcontract Participation in sub-agreements. Failure to complete the requirements of this program may result in finding that the bidder is non-responsive and therefore, not entitled to be awarded this contract. Requirements are detailed in the Bidding Documents.

Non-discrimination in Employment and Labor Standards: Bidders on this work and all subcontractors will be required to comply with the Governor's Executive Order No. 3 and No. 17 regarding affirmative action and equal employment opportunity, as well as provisions in the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Equal Opportunity Act of 1972 and Executive Orders 11246, 11375, 11478. A Compliance Certification Form is required with bid (Section 00406). Requirements under these Orders are detailed in the Bidding Documents.

<u>Department of Labor Regulations</u>: The Contractor must comply with all the Safety and Health Regulations (CFR29 Part 1926 and all subsequent amendments) as promulgated by the US Department of Labor on June 24, 1974; the Department of Labor Regulations relating to Copeland "Anti-Kickback Act (18 U.S.C. 874) as supplemented by 29 CFR Part 3; Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 327-330) as supplemented by 29 CFR Part 5, and Occupational Safety and Health Standards (OSHA) (29 CFR Part 1910).

<u>Environmental Regulations</u>: In addition to the state regulations cited above, the Contractor must comply with all applicable standards, orders, or requirements issued under Section 306 of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 1857(h)), Section 508 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1368), Executive Order 11738 and Environmental Protection Agency regulations (40 CFR Part 15). Contractors are urged to become familiar with the requirements of these regulations.

Connecticut Department of Labor Prevailing Wages: The Contractor must comply with Section 31-53 of the Connecticut General Statutes as amended, including annual adjustments in Prevailing Wages. State prevailing wage rates are to be paid for a project with an estimated cost greater than \$100,000. The minimum rates to be paid labor on various classifications of the project shall be in accordance with the current schedule of prevailing wages established by the State of Connecticut department of Labor, Wage and Workplace Standards Division. The wage rates are attached to the specifications. Heavy/Highway rates apply.

<u>Federal Department of Labor Davis-Bacon Prevailing Wages:</u> The Contractor must comply with U.S. Department of Labor Davis-Bacon Act, including reporting requirements and required contract language for any project whose total cost is greater than \$2,000.

The Town of Guilford reserves the right to reject any or all bids; or to waive defects in same, if it deems such to be in the best interest of the Town. The Town of Guilford is an affirmative action, equal opportunity employer.

Matthew T. Hoey III First Selectman

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