ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS Water System Expansion Phase I-Bethany Church Area for the Hart County Water and Sewer Authority

Sealed bids will be received by the Hart County Water and Sewer Authority, Hart County, Georgia (OWNER), for furnishing all materials, labor, tools, equipment, and any other miscellaneous items necessary for the construction of the Water System Expansion Phase I-Bethany Church Area in Hart County, Georgia.

Bids will be received at Hart County Water & Sewer Authority, 200 Arthur Street, Hartwell, GA 30643 until 12:00 p.m. on April 28, 2015. Any bid received after said time and date of bid opening will not be considered by OWNER. Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at this time and location. All bids will be evaluated by OWNER and the project will be awarded, if it is awarded, within fourteen (14) days of the bid opening. If a bidder is not selected within fourteen (14) days of the bid opening, any bidder that is determined by the OWNER to be unlikely of being selected for contract award shall be released from their bid.

The Project consists of, but is not limited to the following major elements:

Approximately 23,760 L.F. of 6-inch PVC waterline, ± 140 L.F. of Dip, ± 200 L.F. 6-inch DIP freebore, 420 L.F. of 6-inch PVC freebore, 50 L.F. 6-inch DIP freebore under creek, 20 fire hydrant assemblies, (3)-6-inch line terminations with fire hydrant assemblies, (21)-6-inch gate valves and approximately 40 service connections and related appurtenances.

Time of completion for all work associated with this project shall be <u>One Hundred and Fifty</u> (150) consecutive calendar days from the date of a written "Notice to Proceed" from OWNER.

Copies of Contract Documents, Specifications, and Construction Drawings may be obtained at the office of Engineering Management, Inc., 303 Swanson Drive, Lawrenceville, Georgia 30043, upon payment of a non-refundable cost of \$300.00. Checks shall be made payable Engineering Management, Inc.

For general information and purchasing documents regarding this project, you may call Juanita Clark at (770) 962-1387, extension 100. For technical questions regarding this project, you may call Zack Bryan at (770) 962-1387, extension 111 or email at zbryan@eminc.biz.

The Information for Bidders, Bid Proposal Form, Form of Agreement, Drawings, Specifications, and forms of Bid Bond, Performance Bond, Payment Bond, Bidders Qualification Forms, and other Contract Documents may be examined at the following locations:

OWNER: ENGINEER:

Hart County Water and Sewer Authority 200 Arthur Street Hartwell, GA 30643 706-377-4387 (T) 706-377-4385 (F) Engineering Management, Inc. 303 Swanson Drive Lawrenceville, GA 30043 770-962-1387 (T) 770-962-8010 (F) A list of persons who purchased Contract Documents from Engineering Management, Inc. will be available from the Engineer ONLY through facsimile transmission, U.S. Mail, email or from their website at www.eminc.biz.

OWNER requires a bid bond* or a certified cashier's check in the amount of five percent (5%) of the total bid to be enclosed with the bid at the time of bid opening. Cashier's check will be made payable to the Hart County Water & Sewer Authority.

The successful bidder will be required to furnish OWNER with Insurance, Workman's Compensation Insurance, and Performance and Payment Bonds* in the amount of one-hundred percent (100%) of the total bid.

Each bid must be submitted in a SEALED ENVELOPE, addressed to the OWNER. Each sealed envelope containing a Bid must be plainly marked on the outside as, "Bid for Water System Expansion Phase I-Bethany Church Area for the Hart County Water and Sewer Authority" and be labeled with the BIDDER'S State of Georgia Utility Contractor License Number. If bid is forwarded by mail, the sealed envelope containing the Bid must be enclosed in a separate mailing envelope to the attention of the OWNER at the address previously given.

All Bids must be made out on the bid form of the type bound in the Contract Documents, in accordance with the instructions in the Information for Bidders. No interlineation, additions, or deletions shall be made in the proposal form by the BIDDER.

Any and all Bids received without the aforementioned qualification criteria enclosed, will be returned to the BIDDER.

CONTRACTORS and SUBCONTRACTORS bidding on this Project will be required to comply with all Federal, State, and local laws.

The BIDDER's attention is called to the fact that this project is being funding with Federally Assisted EPA revolving loan funds through the Georgia Environmental Finance Authority (GEFA). Successful BIDDER's will be required to document specific compliance with participation by Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE), EEO, Davis-Bacon Wage Rates and all other federal Requirements. The BIDDER's attention is also called to the requirements of Public Law 113-76 which includes the requirement of using American Iron and Steel (AIS) in connection with this project.

The Owner has acquired the local, State and Federal permits in connection with this project with the exception of the Georgia EPD permit and the Land Disturbance permit. These permits will be obtained prior to the execution of the Notice to Proceed and will not postpone the project timeline.

OWNER reserves the right to waive any informalities or to reject any or all Bids, to evaluate Bids, and to accept any Bid which in its opinion may be in the best interest of the OWNER. No Bid will be rejected without just cause.

No BIDDER may withdraw his bid within the time limit specified in the Instruction to Bidders (Section 00100).

*Surety companies executing Bonds must appear on the US Treasury Department's most current list (Circular 570 as amended) and be authorized to transact business in the State of Georgia. In lieu of a Payment Bond, a Cashier's Check, Certified Check, or Cash may be submitted in an amount not less than the total amount payable by the terms of the CONTRACT.

Hugh Holland, Chairman Hart County Water and Sewer Authority

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