## ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

## Middle Oconee WWTF Enhancements Phase II – Clarifier and Chemical Building for

## **Jackson County Water & Sewerage Authority**

Sealed bids will be received by the Jackson County Water & Sewerage Authority (OWNER), for furnishing all materials, labor, tools, equipment, and any other miscellaneous items necessary for the construction of Middle Oconee WWTF Enhancements Phase II – Clarifier and Chemical Building in Jackson County, Georgia.

A mandatory Pre-Bid Conference will be held at the Middle Oconee WWTF located at 2359 Winder Highway, Jefferson, Georgia at 10:00 a.m., local time on June 5, 2013. Representatives of OWNER and ENGINEER will be present to discuss the Project. Bidders are required to attend and participate in the Conference in order to be eligible to submit a bid. ENGINEER will transmit to all prospective Bidders of record such Addenda as ENGINEER considers necessary in response to questions arising at the Conference. Oral statements may not be relied upon and will not be binding or legally effective.

Bids will be received at the offices of the Jackson County Water & Sewerage Authority, 117 MLK Avenue, P. O. Box 869, Jefferson, GA 30549 until 2:00 p.m. on June 26<sup>th</sup>, 2013. 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 sixty (60) days of the bid opening. If a bidder is not selected within sixty (60) 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 award of this bid proposal, if awarded, shall be based on several criteria, including prices bid, experience in the work proposed, and references. Refer to Article 19 of Section 00200 for criteria and award method.

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

Enhancements to existing MOWWTF to 0.50 MGD. Major components include a new 55 ft. diameter center feed clarifier; chlorination and dechlorination chemical building; associated piping, electrical and modifications to existing facilities.

Time of completion for all work associated with this project shall be two hundred seventy (270) 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 \$200.00. Checks shall be made payable to Engineering Management, Inc.

For general information and purchasing documents regarding this project, you may call Juanita Clark at (770) 962-1387. For technical questions regarding this project, you may call Chip McGaughey at (770) 962-1387, extension 102.

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:

Jackson County Water & Sewerage Authority 117 MLK Avenue P. O. Box 869 Jefferson, GA 30549 706-367-1741 (T) 706-367-1759 (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, or from their website at <a href="https://www.eminc.biz">www.eminc.biz</a>. Contractor shall submit the Contractor Affidavit for Electronic Verification of Work Authorization Programs (E-Verify) form, in Section 00495, with bid.

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 Jackson 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, "Middle Oconee WWTF Enhancements Phase II – Clarifier and Chemical Building for the Jackson County Water & 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.

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.

Successful Bidder will be required to perform WORK as the Prime Contractor. WORK performed by Prime Contractor shall be at a minimum 30% of the contract value.

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

The Jackson County Water & Sewerage Authority has acquired all necessary State and Federal permits in connection with this project. The Authority has acquired 100% of the easements and rights of way in connection with this project.

\* Surety companies executing Bonds must appear on the Treasury Department's most current list (Circular 570 as amended) and be authorized to transact business in the State of Georgia. Contracts for projects exceeding \$100,000 require bonds or cash deposit in escrow assuring performance and payment each in the amount of 100% of the contract cost. Surety shall be in the form of Performance and Payment Bonds. For Performance Bonds less than \$300,000 an irrevocable Letter of Credit from a bank as defined in O.C.G.A. Code Section 7-1-4 may be submitted in lieu of a bond. 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.

Dave Ehrhardt, Chairman Jackson County Water & Sewerage Authority

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