

SECTION 00100

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

**ERWIN UTILITIES
ERWIN COLLECTION SYSTEM REHABILITATION IMPROVEMENTS**

Sealed Bids for furnishing of all materials labor, tools, equipment, and appurtenances necessary for the construction of ERWIN COLLECTION SYSTEM REHABILITATION IMPROVEMENTS will be received by the Owner at the office of Erwin Utilities, 244 Love Street, Erwin, Tennessee 37650 until 2:00 PM EST local time, on June 18, 2015, and then at said office publicly opened and read aloud.

The project consists of the following major elements: Rehabilitation of the sewer collection system by means of cured-in-place pipe (CIPP) lining existing gravity mains, CIPP lining service laterals to the right of way, mechanically sealing service laterals to gravity mains, replacing service laterals and installing service lateral clean outs at the right of way, sealing manholes using spray-in lining or an equivalent method, and setting new manholes.

The Instructions to Bidders, Form of Bid, Form of Contract, Drawings, Specifications, and forms of Bid Bond, Performance Bond, Payment Bond, and other Contract Documents may be examined at the following:

Ms. Shelia Simpson, Program Director
Governor's Office of Diversity
Business Enterprise
Electronic Only
GO.DBE@tn.gov

Erwin Utilities
244 Love Street
Erwin, Tennessee 37650

Award, if award is made, will be made on the basis of the lowest, responsive, responsible Total Base Bid as described in the Instructions to Bidders.

Copies of Bid Documents may be obtained at the office of the Engineer, Erwin Utilities, located at 244 Love Street, Erwin TN 37650, upon payment of \$150.00 for each set of documents. This payment is nonrefundable. One set shall constitute one copy of all contract documents and specifications, one full-size set of drawings, and one CD containing a portable document format (pdf) version of the contract documents and specifications and drawings. Each Bidder must be a Bidding Documents Holder as defined in Article 1 of the Instructions to Bidders.

Special attention is called to prospective bidders that the project sites will be available for bidders to inspect the proposed work areas during the days and times indicated and by contacting the person(s) described in the Instructions to Bidders. Access will be restricted to only those plan holders or their subcontractors having proper identification.

Each bidder must deposit with his bid, security in the amount of five percent (5%) of the amount of bid subject to the conditions provided in the Instructions to Bidders.

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 ERWIN COLLECTION SYSTEM REHABILITATION IMPROVEMENTS." If forwarded by mail, the sealed envelope containing the Bid must be enclosed in another envelope addressed to the Owner.

In accordance with provisions of TCA 62-6-119, the name, license number, expiration date thereof, and license classification of the contractors applying to the bid for the prime contract and for the electrical, plumbing, heating, ventilation, and air conditioning, and masonry subcontracts shall appear on the outside of the envelope containing the bid.

Any and all Bids not meeting the aforementioned criteria for Bid submittal, will be declared nonresponsive and void, shall not be opened or considered, and will be returned to the Bidder unopened.

All Bids must be made out and submitted on the proposal form furnished for this purpose and in accordance with the instructions in the Instructions to Bidders. No interlineations, additions, or deletions shall be made in the proposal form by the Bidder.

DAVIS-BACON ACT and AMERICAN IRON AND STEEL REQUIREMENTS

This project is being funded by a State Revolving Fund loan on or after 2014 EPA Fiscal Year. The loan recipient must be in compliance with all applicable Davis-Bacon Act and American Iron and Steel requirements.

DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISES (DBE) REQUIREMENTS

Any contract or contracts awarded by the Owner through this invitation for bids will be funded by a State Revolving Fund (SRF) loan from the State of Tennessee. State and Federal funds will be involved in this project, and, as a result, Bidders must comply with the SRF Loan Program's Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE) requirements including contacting a minimum of 10 qualified DBE sub-contractors, professional service providers, vendors, and/or suppliers by certified mail to solicit bids. The apparent successful Bidder must submit to the Owner copies of the certified letters and return receipts prior to contract award. Neither the State of Tennessee nor any of its departments, agencies, or employees is or will be a party to this Invitation for Bids or any resulting contract(s) awarded by the Owner.

SPECIAL NOTICE TO DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISES (DBE) FIRMS

All qualified Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE) firms desiring to bid as a General Contractor, sub-contractor, professional service provider, supplier, or equipment vendor are encouraged to contact Ms. Shelia Simpson at the Nashville Minority Business Center office listed above to review bidding/contract documents. Qualified Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE) firms may also contact Matthew Rice, 244 Love Street, Erwin, Tennessee 37650, (423) 735-4555, in order to obtain a list of prospective bidding General Contractors or to obtain copies of bidding/contract documents.

DAVIS- BACON WAGE RATES

All laborers and mechanics employed by contractors and subcontractors with funds from the SRF shall be paid wages at rates not less than the prevailing wage rate under the Davis-Bacon Act. The contractor agrees that by the submission of a proposal in response to a solicitation funded in whole or in part with these funds, continuous compliance will be maintained with the Davis-Bacon Act.

The 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 for the best interest of the Owner.

No Bids will be received or accepted after the above specified time for the opening of Bids. Bids submitted after the designated hour will be deemed invalid and returned unopened to the Bidder.

The successful Bidder for this Contract will be required to furnish a satisfactory Performance Bond and Payment Bond in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the Bid.

No Bidder may withdraw his Bid within sixty (60) days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

No Bids will be received or accepted after the above specified time for the opening of Bids. Bids submitted after the designated hour will be deemed invalid and returned unopened to the Bidder.

Bidder shall agree to a 30-day extension of the period for acceptance of Bids from expiration of the specified 60-day period after the scheduled Bid opening (total of 90 days) and that, if awarded the Contract, the 30-day extension shall be at no change in the Contract Price.

ERWIN UTILITIES

(Owner)

(Date)

(Name)

(Title)

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