SECTION 00020

INVITATION TO BID

- 1. The Barnstable Fire District Water Department is seeking sealed Bids for the **Well 2 & 5 GAC Treatment Addition** project. In general, and without limitation, the work includes the construction of new drinking water treatment facilities including but not limited to furnishing and installing a prefabricated metal building on a concrete foundation; all site work, yard piping, gate valves, hydrants; a prepackaged granular activated carbon adsorption system; bag filter system; process piping and valves; SCADA, instrumentation, and controls; new well pump and well cleaning; start-up, testing, and training for the Well 2 and 5 GAC Treatment Facilities as shown on the Contract Drawings and as specified in these Specifications.
- 2. Sealed bids from General Contractors for the Well 2 & 5 GAC Treatment Addition project, shall be received by the Barnstable Fire District Water Department at 1841 Phinney's Lane, P.O. Box 546, Barnstable, MA 02630 until 11:00 a.m. Local Time on September 28, 2023 at which time and place all bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. All bids shall be submitted within a sealed envelope addressed to "Barnstable Fire District Water Department, 1841 Phinney's Lane, P.O. Box 546, Barnstable, MA 02630" and entitled "Well 2 & 5 GAC Treatment Addition DWSRF#7128".
- 3. Sealed bids from Subcontractors for the filed sub-bid categories designated herein for the Well 2 & 5 GAC Treatment Addition project, shall be received by the Barnstable Fire District Water Department at 1841 Phinney's Lane, P.O. Box 546, Barnstable, MA 02630 until 11:00 a.m. Local Time on September 21, 2023, at which time and place the following filed Sub-Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud:
 - HVAC
 - Electrical
- 4. All interested Contractors are advised to attend the **Pre-Bid Meeting to be held on Wednesday, September 6, 2023, 10:00 a.m.** at the Well 2 & 5 Water Treatment Facility, 239 Breeds Hill Road, Hyannis, MA. All bidders are strongly encouraged to attend.
- 5. Contract Documents may be obtained from H2Olson Engineering, Inc., by contacting Stephen Olson by phone (508-375-7007) or email (sco@h2olsonengineering.com) and may be examined, but not obtained, at the Barnstable Fire District Water Department at 1841 Phinney's Lane, Barnstable, MA 02630, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday thru Friday, beginning on August 30, 2023.
- 6. Complete instructions for filing Bids are included in the Instructions to Bidders, Section 00100.
- 7. This project is being bid under the Bid Law provisions of M.G.L. c.149, ss44A-44J (Building Contract with Filed Sub-bids).
- 8. Each bid shall be accompanied by a bid security in the amount of 5 percent of the Bid. The Bid Security shall be in the form of a bid bond or certified treasurer's or cashier's check.

- 9. Successful bidder must furnish 100 percent Performance Bond and 100 percent Payment Bond.
- 10. Every bid bond, every performance bond, and every payment bond issued shall be the bond of a surety company organized pursuant to Section 105 of Chapter 175 or a surety company authorized to do business in the Commonwealth under the provisions of Section 106 of said Chapter 175 and be approved by the U.S. Department of Treasury and acceptable as sureties and reinsurers on federal bonds under title 31 of the United States Code, Sections 9304 to 9308.
- 11. Each bid must be accompanied by a copy of the current Certificate of Eligibility issued by the Deputy Commissioner of the Massachusetts Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance (DCAMM) showing that the bidder has the classification and capacity rating to perform the work required (Sewage and Water Treatment Plants for General Contractors and the applicable sub-bid category of work for Sub-Bidders). Each bid must also be accompanied by an update statement in the form prescribed by the DCAMM Deputy Commissioner.
- 12. No bidder may withdraw his bid within 30 days (Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays excluded) after the actual date of the opening thereof.
- 13. Each bid shall be accompanied by a reference list as evidence of his/her qualifications to perform the work, refer to Section 00100 Instructions to Bidders and Section 00300 Bid Form.
- 14. The Contract duration for this Project shall be **545 calendar days** commencing on the date of the Notice to Proceed.
- 15. Materials and supplies used or incorporated in the performance of this contract are exempt from sales and use tax.
- 16. All Work of this Project shall be completed in compliance with the Commonwealth of Massachusetts COVID-19 Guidelines and Procedures for All Construction Sites and Workers at All Public Works Sites. An enhanced site specific COVID-19 Health and Safety Plan will be required during the submittal process.
- 17. Contract payment will be by the unit price method and the lump sum price method as indicated on the Bid Proposal. No Bidder may withdraw his/her Bid for a period of thirty (30) calendar days after the actual date of the opening of the Bids.
- 18. Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) goals are applicable to the total dollars paid to the construction contract. The goals for this project are a minimum of 4.2 percent D/MBE participation and 4.5 percent D/WBE participation by certified DBEs. The two low bidders shall submit completed DBE forms (EEO-DEP-190C, EEO-DEP-191C and the DBE Certification of United States Citizenship form) by the close of business on the third business day after bid opening. Failure to comply with the requirements of this paragraph may be deemed to render a proposal non-responsive. No waiver of any provision of this section will be granted unless approved by the Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP).

- 19. Minimum Wage Rates as determined by the Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development under the provision of the Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 149, Sections 26 to 27D, as amended, apply to this project. It is the responsibility of the contractor, before bid opening, to request if necessary, any additional information on Minimum Wage Rates for those trades people who may be employed for the proposed work under this contract. Federal Minimum Wage Rates as determined by the United States Department of Labor under the Davis-Bacon Act also apply to this project.
- 20. This project is to be funded in part by the Massachusetts Clean Water Trust (the "Trust").
- 21. This project is subject to the American Iron and Steel requirements of P.L. 113-76, the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2014.
- 22. This project is subject to the Build American, Buy America (BABA) requirements. However, the BABA requirements are waived for this Project based on EPA's Decision Memorandum titled Adjustment Period Waiver of Section 70914(a) of P.L. 117-58, Build America, Buy America Act for SRF Projects that have Initiated Design Planning issued September 2, 2022.
- 23. This project requires compliance with the Department of Environmental Protection's Diesel Retrofit Program.
- 24. The Owner reserves the right to waive any informality or to reject any and all bids. A bid which includes, for any item, a unit cost that is abnormally low or high may be rejected as unbalanced.
- 25. The Owner reserves the right to omit part or whole of any proposed work to be performed, as described in the Contract Documents, as may be required to maintain the total cost of work within available funds.
- 26. The Owner also reserves the right to accept any bid deemed to be best for the interest of the Barnstable Fire District Water Department.

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