SECTION 00105
INVITATION TO BID

The Town of Ledyard, Water Pollution Control Authority, Ledyard, CT (the Owner), requests sealed bids for "Construction of Booster Pumping Station to serve Aljen Heights Water Extension - Phase 1B, Contract 2013-03".

1. Sealed bids for General Contractor Work, endorsed "Construction of Booster Pumping Station to serve Aljen Heights Water Extension - Phase 1B, Contract 2013-03". will be received at the Office of the Mayor, 741 Colonel Ledyard Highway, Ledyard CT, 06339, until 1:00 PM EST, on April 9, 2013, at which time and place bids will be opened publicly and read aloud.

2. The work includes, but is not limited to, construction of a booster pumping station and a separate standby-generator building, including construction of reinforced concrete foundations, two prefabricated buildings, prefabricated booster pumping equipment, associated mechanical, architectural, electrical and site work. The booster pumping station and stand-by generator buildings are to be complete, including site restoration. Additionally the Contractor shall disinfect existing piping between the suction side connection at the existing watermain through the new booster pumping facility through the discharge connection and then along existing piping to the connection at the end of Tucker's Run and to the connection at Avery Hill Trailer Park at the end of Naomi Drive.

3. This contract is expected to be funded in part by the State of Connecticut. Any contract or contracts awarded under this invitation for bids are expected to be funded by a loan from the 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 invitation for bids or any resulting contract. This contract will be subject to requirements contained in subsections (h), (j) and (o) of Section 22a-482-4 of the RCSA.

4. This contract is expected to be funded in part by the State of Connecticut. Any contract or contracts awarded under this invitation for bids are expected to be funded by a loan from the State of Connecticut Drinking Water State Revolving Fund. Accordingly this contract will be subject to requirements contained in Section 22a-482-4j2(B) of the RCSA which requires the Bid Opening occur at least 30 days after formal advertisement of the project. The project will be advertised on or about March 7, 2013 in a newspaper of general circulation; with **Bid Opening as stated above on April 9, 2013.**

5. The WPCA/Town of Ledyard reserves the right to reject any and all bids should it be in the public interest to do so, or to delete or reduce the scope of any work in order to bring the cost within available funds.

6. The successful bidder will be required to complete the entire project within 150 consecutive calendar days after the date of the formal execution of the Notice to Proceed.

7. A pre-bid conference will be held on March 21, 2013 at 1:00 PM in the Ledyard Town Hall Annex, 741 Colonel Ledyard Highway, Ledyard, CT, 06339. All bidders are strongly encouraged to attend this conference.

8. The Owner reserves the right to waive any and all informalities or technical defects, if it is deemed necessary by the Town, and to award the Contract to the lowest, responsible, responsive, qualified Bidder and not necessarily to the lowest Bidder.

9. The successful General Bidder must furnish 100 percent (100%) Performance Bond and 100 percent (100%) Labor and Materials Bond.

10. Contract 2013-03 is subject to the schedule of minimum wages issued by the Commissioner of Labor for the State of Connecticut, in accordance with Chapter 557 of the General Statutes of Connecticut. The Contractor and all Subcontractors must comply with the wage rates established for this contract by the State of Connecticut.

11. Contract 2013-03 is subject to the Davis-Bacon Act and the prevailing wage schedule as issued by the US Department of Labor – Employment Standards Administration. Contract 2013-03 is also subject to the CT Department of Public Health State Revolving Fund (SRF Program).

12. Contract Documents may be obtained at the following location:

    Office of the WPCA
    741 Colonel Ledyard Highway
    Ledyard, CT 06339
    Phone: (860) 464-3266
    Fax: (860) 464-0098

    A document-handling fee of $50.00 is required for each set of Contract Documents obtained, made payable to Town of Ledyard. Requests for Documents to be mailed will be accepted if accompanied by a mailing fee of $50.00 made payable to the Town of Ledyard, CT. Payments for Contract Documents shall be non-refundable and no refunds will be made for return of the complete Contract Documents.

13. Modifications to the Contract Documents will be made only by written Addenda, duly issued by the Town of Ledyard. Addenda, if issued, will be sent by certified mail, return receipt requested no later than five (5) calendar days prior to the date fixed for opening bids.

14. Contractors interested in submitting a bid for the above-described work must submit their bid on a separate prescribed Bid Form, duplicate copies of which are provided for this purpose with the Specifications. Do not use the Bid Form bound in the Specification book. All blank spaces shall be filled in, in ink or typewritten on the loose bid form.

15. The Bid Form shall be enclosed in a sealed envelope marked on the outside with the name and address of the Bidder, Name of Project, and the Words "Sealed Bid Enclosed". The Bid Forms must be completed by the Bidder in ink, ballpoint pen or be typed. Any Bid may be withdrawn or modified by the Bidder up to the scheduled time for opening of Bids.

16. Bid Security in the form of a certified check or bid bond, payable to the Owner, is required as follows:

    General Bid: Five percent (5%) of the General Bid amount.

17. Each bidder agrees to waive any claim it has or may have against the Owner, the Engineer, and their respective employees, arising out of or in connection with the administration, evaluation or recommendation of any bid.

18. The fair share construction goals for minority business enterprise (MBE) and women's business enterprise (WBE) participation for this contract is a minimum of three percent (3%) MBE participation and five percent (5%) WBE participation, applicable to the total dollars paid to the SRF loan funded portion of the contract. The Contractor shall take all affirmative steps necessary to achieve this goal, and shall provide reports documenting the portion of contract and subcontract dollars paid to minority and women-owned businesses, and its efforts to achieve the goals, with each invoice submitted or at such greater intervals as specified by the WPCA. The Contractor shall require similar reports from its subcontractors.

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