

ADVERTISEMENT – NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed Bids, subject to the conditions contained herein, will be received by the COUNTY OF ONEIDA (the County) in c/o ONEIDA COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF WATER QUALITY AND WATER POLLUTION CONTROL until 2:30 PM local time (Official Dymo Time Stamp) on **January 25, 2018**, at the Engineer's Field Office at 51 Leland Avenue, Utica, NY and then publicly opened and read, for furnishing all labor and materials and performing all work for:

SAUQUOIT CREEK FORCE MAIN UPGRADES

CONTRACT NO. C – 4: GENERAL

BID REFERENCE NO. 1822

The Contract Documents may be viewed and ordered through the Avalon Plan Room, at: www.avalonplanroom.com in the "Public Bid" section. If you do not have internet access or have questions on ordering from the site, please contact Avalon Document Services at (315) 724-5555.

A non-refundable payment of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) payable to Avalon Document Services will be required to obtain the Proposal Booklet and a CD with an electronic version of the Contract Documents. Cash payments will not be accepted. The payment includes shipping of the Proposal Booklet and CD to anywhere in the Continental United States. By submission of the \$30.00 non-refundable payment, bidder will be registered as an official planholder. **Only official planholders are eligible to bid on the project.** Subcontractors, suppliers, equipment vendors, etc. will also be required to submit the non-refundable payment in order to receive the Proposal Booklet and CD with electronic version of the Contract Documents.

If bidders wish to purchase printed copies of the Contract Documents (beyond the Proposal Booklet), they may be obtained through Avalon. Only official planholders will be allowed to obtain printed copies of the Contract Documents. Bidders acknowledge that they are responsible for review of all components of the Contract Documents, including all specification sections and drawings, regardless of how many drawings they print and in which format/size they are printed. Full-size drawings are on 22" x 34" paper. Bidders acknowledge they are responsible for properly scaling drawings if they are printed at any other size.

Bids must be submitted upon the proposal form(s) furnished in the Proposal Booklet, and must not be detached from the booklet. A bid security in the amount of 5% of the total bid payable to "County of Oneida" will be required and is subject to the conditions provided in the Instructions to Bidders. Failure to submit a bid bond or certified check with bid will result in automatic disqualification of bid. Failure to submit a bid on the proposal form(s) furnished in the Proposal Booklet, or submittal of form(s) detached from the Proposal Booklet will result in automatic disqualification of bid.

Packages containing bids must be sealed, marked, and delivered to the Oneida County Department of Water Quality and Water Pollution Control, 51 Leland Avenue, Utica, NY 13501. Also mark on the envelope the project name, package number, and the type of work or equipment for which the proposal is submitted.

For the convenience of the potential Bidders and other interested parties, the Bidding Documents may be examined at the following locations:

Avalon Plan Room at the following website: www.avalonplanroom.com
Oneida County Purchasing Department at the following website: <http://ocgov.net/ocpb> or at their office
located at 6th Floor, 800 Park Ave. Utica, NY
Oneida County Water Pollution Control Plant, 51 Leland Avenue, Utica, NY

A Pre-Bid Conference will be held at the Engineer Field Office, 51 Leland Avenue, Utica, NY (next to WPCP) at **10:00 AM on January 4, 2018**.

For information, a map of the Pre-Bid meeting location is attached (Figure 01).

Representatives of the Owner and Engineer will be present at the Pre-Bid Conference to discuss the Project.

The successful bidder must furnish at the time of Contract Execution a Performance Bond for an amount not less than 100% of bid price and a Labor and Material Payment Bond in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders.

The Owner reserves the right to revise or amend the contract bidding documents prior to the date set for opening bids. Such revisions and amendments, if any, will be issued by addenda. Any inquiries regarding questions on contract documents must be submitted in writing per the "Bid Clarification Form" contained in the Contract Documents. The Owner also reserves the right to waive any irregularity and reject any or all bids received.

The County of Oneida, in order to promote its established Affirmative Action Plan, invites sealed bids from NYS Certified MBE/WBE Contractors. This Affirmative Action Policy regarding sealed bids and contracts applies to all persons without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, or handicap. This project has goals for MBE/WBE project participation. **The project goal is 23% combined M/WBE participation.**

The bidder acknowledges to and for the benefit of Oneida County (Owner) and the State of New York (the State) that it understands the goods and services under this project are being funded with monies made available by the Clean Water State Revolving Fund that have statutory requirements commonly known as "American Iron and Steel;" that requires all of the iron and steel products used in this project to be produced in the United States ("American Iron and Steel Requirement") including iron and steel products provided by the Bidder pursuant to this Agreement. All of the iron and steel products used in the project will be and/or have been produced in the United States in a manner that complies with the American Iron and Steel Requirement, unless a waiver of that requirement is approved.

This contract is subject to compliance with Article 8 of the New York State Labor Law regarding Prevailing Wage Rates and Federal Law regarding Davis Bacon Wage Rates.

Bidders are advised that in accordance with New York State Labor Law 200, Section 220-h, every worker employed in the performance of a public works contract shall be certified as having completed OSHA 10-hour Construction Safety and Health Course – S1537-A.

No Bidder may withdraw his Bid within forty-five (45) days after the date set for the opening thereof.

December 18, 2017 _____
Date

_____ Mello J. Testa
Director of Purchasing