

**NOTICE OF LETTING
CONTRACT AND INVITATION FOR BIDS
FOR CONSTRUCTING
UPGRADES TO THE ETOWAH RAW WATER PUMP STATION
FOR THE
CITY OF ROME, GEORGIA WATER SYSTEM**

To Whom It May Concern:

Notice is hereby given that The City of Rome, Georgia proposes to let a Contract to the lowest responsible bidder, upon sealed proposals, for the furnishing of all labor, material, equipment and other things necessary for the constructing Upgrades to The Etowah Raw Water Pump Station for the City of Rome, Georgia Water System.

Sealed proposals will be received until 2:00 p.m. (local time), on March 17, 2016 in the office of The City of Rome Purchasing Department: P.O. Box 1433, 601 Broad Street, Rome, Georgia. Sealed bids will then and there be publicly opened and read aloud in the Purchasing Department Conference Room.

The City of Rome Water Department will hold a Pre-Bid meeting to discuss components of the proposed project and provide access to the project site. This meeting will take place at **2:00 p.m. on Thursday March 3, 2016** in the Conference Room of the City of Rome Water and Sewer Division located at 100 Vaughn Road, Rome, Georgia 30161. A visit to the project site will follow.

The work is to be let in one contract, and shall conform in all respects to the Specifications of Southern Engineering & Surveying, Inc., Rome, Georgia which are made out and posted conspicuously in the office of the City of Rome Purchasing Department, which is also the office of the undersigned, and said specifications, general conditions and drawings, are open to the inspection of the public.

The extent and character of the work to be done in general, consists of the construction of and supplying the following approximate quantities:

CONTRACT NO. 1
CONSTRUCT UPGRADES TO THE ETOWAH RAW WATER PUMP STATION

Construct Upgrades to the existing pump station complete including elevated pump house, pumping equipment, hoisting equipment, controls and Scada system, modify meter pit, valves and piping including connections to existing pipelines, final grading, concrete paving, fencing, plus associated work items, all as drawn and specified.

Bidders must comply with the President's Executive Order Nos. 11246 and 11375, which prohibit discrimination in employment regarding race, creed, color, sex, or national origin.

Bidders must comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Davis-Bacon Act, the Anti-Kickback Act and the Contract Work Hours Standard Act.

Bidders must certify that they do not, and will not, maintain or provide for their employees any facilities that are segregated on a basis of race, color, creed, or national origin.

Bidders will make positive efforts to use small and minority owned businesses.

All above as more specifically shown by the plans and specifications of the Engineer as aforesaid. Reference is made to the specifications in the City of Rome Purchasing Department, for a more particular description of the work. Said work shall begin upon the written order of the city of Rome Board of Commissioners, after the formal execution of the contract.

Request for payment for said work will be made through the City of Rome not later than the fifteenth (15) day of each calendar month. The Owner shall make a progress payment to the contractor on the basis of a duly certified and approved estimate of the work performed during the preceding calendar month under this Contract; but to insure the proper performance of this Contract, the owner shall retain ten percent (10%) of the amount of each estimate of all work covered by this Contract.

Provided further, that on completion and acceptance of each separate building, public work or other division of the Contract on which the price is stated separately in the Contract, payment may be made in full including retained percentages thereon, less authorized deductions. In preparing estimates of material delivered on the site, preparatory work done may be taken into consideration, and upon the final completion and acceptance of all work covered by the Contract and the filing of a certificate of completion and approval thereof by the Engineers as aforesaid---all retained sums will be paid.

The Information for Bidders, Form of Bid, Form of Contract, Plans, Specifications, and Forms of Bid Bond, Performance Bond, and other Contract Documents may be examined at the following:

Southern Engineering & Surveying Inc., Rome, Georgia
City of Rome Purchasing Department, 601 Broad Street, Rome, Georgia

Complete sets of contract documents, construction specifications and drawings may be obtained at the office of Southern Engineering & Surveying, 201 Broad Street, Suite 300, Rome, Georgia 30161, upon non-refundable payment of **\$100.00** per set.

The Contract, if awarded, will be on a unit price and lump sum basis. No bid may be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) days after time has been called on the date of opening. **Bids must be accompanied by a Bid Bond in an amount of not less than five percent (5%) of the base bid. All bonds must be signed or countersigned by a Georgia Resident Agent.**

A faithful Performance Bond in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the amount of the bid, and a Labor Materials Payment Bond in the amount of not less than the amount of said Bid, one hundred percent (100%) as provided by Georgia Code Section 23-1704 and 23-1705, shall be furnished by the successful bidders.

The right is reserved to the City of Rome, Georgia to delay the award of the Contract for a period not to exceed sixty (60) days from the date of opening of bids, during which time bids shall remain open and not subject to withdrawal. The right is also reserved to the City of Rome to reject any and all bids and to waive any and all technicalities or informalities. Any contract executed pursuant to this notice shall be binding upon the City of Rome, as such, but will not create a liability expressed or implied, against any members of the City of Rome, the City Manager, or any officer or employee of said City, in his or her individual capacity.

THE CITY OF ROME, GEORGIA

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