

SECTION 00020INVITATION TO BIDPORTLAND WATER DISTRICT
PORTLAND, MAINE

DISINFECTION AND DECHLORINATION SYSTEMS UPGRADE

Sealed bids for the construction of Disinfection and Dechlorination Systems Upgrade to the East End Wastewater Treatment Facility will be received by the Portland Water District at the District Office located at 225 Douglass Street, Portland, Maine 04104 until 2:00 PM, local time, March 24, 2005 at which time and place all bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. Bids received after this time will not be accepted. Bids must be submitted in sealed envelopes, the outside of which must be clearly marked "Bid for Disinfection and Dechlorination Systems Upgrade".

The Disinfection and Dechlorination Systems Upgrade consists of, but is not limited to: demolition of the existing chlorine gas disinfection and sulfur dioxide dechlorination systems, installation of new sodium hypochlorite disinfection and sodium bisulfite dechlorination systems, and miscellaneous modifications to the existing chlorine contact tank.

A mandatory Pre-bid Conference will be held at 10:00 a.m. on March 15, 2005 at the Portland Water District's East End Wastewater Treatment facility located at 500 Marginal Way, Portland, Maine. Only those contractors represented at the Pre-bid conference, as indicated on the sign-in sheet, shall be considered a responsive bidder.

The Bidding Documents may be examined at the following locations:

- Portland Water District, 225 Douglass Street, Portland, Maine 04104.
- Portland Water District, East End WWTF, 500 Marginal Way, Portland, Maine 04104.
- Wright-Pierce, 99 Main Street, Topsham, Maine 04086.
- Wright-Pierce, 75 Washington Avenue Suite 202, Portland, Maine 04101
- Dodge Reports, 47 Atlantic Place, South Portland, Maine 04106.
- The Dunlap Agency, 31 Court Street, Auburn, Maine 04210.
- Associated Contractors of Maine, Whitten Road, Augusta, Maine 04330.
- The Dunlap Agency, 260 Harlow Street, Bangor, Maine 04401.
- Construction Summary Plan Room, c/o XPress Copy Service 144 Fore Street Portland, Maine 04101 Phone 800-321-8856.
- Construction Summary of N.H., 734 Chestnut Street, Manchester, N.H. 03104.

To be considered a responsive Bidder, the Contractor shall have obtained at least one set of paper Bidding Documents from the Engineer (Wright-Pierce). The Bid will not be awarded to a Bidder unless a record for the purchase of at least one set of paper Bidding Documents exists in the office of the Engineer. To meet this requirement and to establish the record of purchase, a prospective Bidder must purchase paper Bidding Documents using the name that is to appear in the Bid.

Copies of Bidding Documents may be obtained from Wright-Pierce, 99 Main Street, Topsham, Maine 04086, upon payment of a non-refundable fee of \$125 per set. Partial sets will not be distributed. All requests for mailed Bidding Documents must be accompanied by an additional non-refundable fee of \$25.00 to cover postage and handling. Checks should be made payable to Wright-Pierce.

A completed Bid Form, Experience Statement, Executive Order 11246 Compliance Statement, and bid security in the amount of five percent of the Total Bid must be submitted with the Bid. The Bid Security may be either a proposal guaranty bond executed by a surety company authorized to do business in the State of Maine, or a certified check drawn upon a bank within the State of Maine. Bid Security shall be made payable to the Portland Water District. Bids submitted without Bid Security will not be considered.

POST BID REQUIREMENTS: The apparent low bidder must furnish, within 10 days after the receipt of Bids, a Completed Attachment A or B of Appendix II of the Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) and Women's Business Enterprise (WBE) Regulations and a complete list of sub-bidders, if requested by the Engineer. The successful bidder must furnish within 10 calendar days after the Notice of Award the required number of copies of the signed Agreement, 100% Performance Bond, 100% Payment Bond, and begin execution of this contract within 10 calendar days following the Notice to Proceed.

FUNDING AGENCIES: Any Contract awarded under this Invitation to Bid is expected to be funded by the State Revolving Loan Fund (SRF). All work must be performed in accordance with Federal and State Law and the requirements of the funding agency. Neither the State of Maine nor any of its departments, agencies or employees is or will be a party to this Invitation for Bid or any resulting contract.

FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS: The Successful Bidder must comply with the following:

Minority and Women Business Enterprises Requirements: (Executive Order 11432) Each Bidder shall take special notice of the Guidance for Use of Minority and Women Business Enterprises in sub-agreements. Failure to complete the requirements of this program may result in finding that the bidder is non-responsible and therefore, not entitled to be awarded this contract. Requirements are detailed in the Bidding Documents. The current MBE/WBE resource list is available from the Maine DEP and DOT and is available at the following internet address: HTTP://www.state.maine.us/mdot/humres/o_equalo/cdwbed.h.htm

Non-discrimination in Employment and Labor Standards: Bidders on this work will be required to comply with the President's Executive Order No. 11246 (EEO) and the amendments and supplements to that Order. A Compliance Certification Form is required with bid (Section 00406). Requirements under this Order are detailed in the Bidding Documents.

Department of Labor Regulations: See Labor Standards Provisions for Federal and Federally assisted Contracts (1987) in the Bid Documents.

Copeland “Anti-Kickback” Act (18 U.S.C. 874) as supplemented by 29 CFR part 3
Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 327-330) as supplemented
by 29 CFR part 5
Safety and Health Regulations For Construction (29 CFR part 1926)
Occupational Safety and Health Standards (OSHA) (29 CFR part 1910)

Environmental Law and the Environmental Protection Agency regulations:

Section 306 of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 1857 (h))
Section 508 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1368)
Executive order 11738

The Portland Water District reserves the right to reject any or all Bids, to waive any technicalities, and to accept any Bid that it may deem to be in the best interests of the District.

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