

SECTION 00100

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed Bid Proposals will be received by the Environmental Services Department, Jefferson County, Alabama, in Room 270, Commission Chambers, Courthouse, Birmingham, Alabama, until **2:00 pm Central Time on Thursday, November 19, 2015**, and then publicly opened and read for the **VALLEY CREEK WWTP SCREENS, CLARIFIERS AND GAS SPHERE REHABILITATION PROJECT**.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION This work will consist of the following elements at the Valley Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP):

- 1) Rehabilitation of the four existing mechanical bar screens
- 2) Addition of up to eight (8) screenings hoppers
- 3) Reconstruct grout floors of four final clarifiers where grout has delaminated from the structural concrete
- 4) Repainting of all ferrous metal surfaces within or on all eight primary clarifiers
- 5) Rebuild collection arms as needed for six final clarifiers and repainting of all ferrous metal surfaces within or on the same six final clarifiers
- 6) Surface grouting of concrete effluent launders for the same six final clarifiers
- 7) Repainting of the exterior surfaces of the digester gas storage sphere
- 8) Rebuild leaking wall seams/joints in the existing headworks structure
- 9) Rebuild leaking wall penetration in hot water boiler system where piping penetrates through the digester wall

Bidding Documents are on file for inspection in the following locations:

**Environmental Services Department
716 Richard Arrington Jr. Boulevard North, Suite A-300
Birmingham, Alabama 35203
Contact for Appointment: Tonya Kelley at (205) 214-4026**

Complete sets of hard copy bidding documents may be obtained, at contractor's expense, from the Alabama Graphics Digital Plan Room under the project name "**Valley Creek WWTP Screens, Clarifiers and Gas Sphere Rehabilitation Project**". **NO SPECIFICATIONS OR CONTRACT DOCUMENTS WILL BE MAILED OR AVAILABLE FOR DOWNLOAD.**

Bids will only be accepted from pre-qualified contractors who are listed on the Plan Holders List, signifying that they have purchased a set of documents, and who attend the MANDATORY Pre-Bid Conference.

NO BID PROPOSAL SHALL BE ACCEPTED AFTER THE TIME STATED FOR RECEIVING BID PROPOSALS IN THIS NOTICE. ENVELOPES CONTAINING CONTRACTOR'S BID PROPOSALS MUST PROMINENTLY DISPLAY THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE FIRM AND THE CONTRACTOR'S ALABAMA LICENSE

NUMBER WITH THE DATE OF RENEWAL ON THE FRONT OF THE ENVELOPE. THESE REQUIREMENTS SHALL NOT BE WAIVED.

The Contractor is hereby advised that TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE on this project. The Contract Time for this project is **three hundred sixty-five (365)** consecutive calendar days. Liquidated damages will be assessed if this time limit is exceeded. The Contractor may apply for an extension of time in accordance with the provisions of the Contract; however, such an extension must be approved prior to the Contract Completion Date to avoid the imposition of liquidated damages.

The Contractor is hereby advised that a Pre-Bid Conference will be held at the Valley Creek WWTP, 3923 Clear Water Drive, Bessemer, Alabama, on Tuesday, November 10, 2015 at 2:00 pm. This Pre-Bid Conference is MANDATORY for all contractors planning to submit a Bid Proposal on this project.

Questions concerning meaning or intent of Bidding Documents shall be submitted to Craig A. Ferguson, PE, BCEE, Brown and Caldwell, at email caferguson@brwncald.com no later than 5:00 p.m. Central Time on Friday, November 13, 2015. All questions must be in writing on Bidder's company's letterhead.

THE ATTENTION OF ALL BIDDERS IS CALLED TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE STATE LAW GOVERNING GENERAL CONTRACTORS, AS SET FORTH IN ALABAMA CODE SECTIONS 34-8-1 THROUGH SECTION 34-8-28 (1975), AS AMENDED, CHAPTER 4, SECTION 65 TO 82 (INCLUSIVE) OF TITLE 46 OF THE CODE OF ALABAMA OF 1940, AS AMENDED; AND BIDDERS SHALL BE GOVERNED BY SAID LAW INSOFAR AS IT IS APPLICABLE. THE ABOVE MENTIONED PROVISIONS OF THE CODE MAKE IT ILLEGAL FOR THE OWNER TO CONSIDER A BID PROPOSAL FROM ANYONE WHO IS NOT PROPERLY LICENSED UNDER SUCH CODE PROVISIONS.

THE ATTENTION OF BIDDERS IS CALLED TO THE PROVISIONS OF ALABAMA CODE SECTION 39-2-14 (1975) AS AMENDED, REQUIRING A NONRESIDENT CONTRACTOR TO REGISTER WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE PRIOR TO ENGAGING IN THE PERFORMANCE OF A CONTRACT IN THE STATE OF ALABAMA.

THE ATTENTION OF BIDDERS IS CALLED TO THE PROVISIONS OF ALABAMA CODE SECTION 39-3-5 (1975) AS AMENDED, REGARDING PREFERENCE TO RESIDENT CONTRACTORS.

THIS PROJECT IS CLASSIFIED AS CLASS "E" (SMALL WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT & FACILITIES UNDER 5 MILLION) WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT & FACILITIES CATEGORY PROJECT. ALL PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS MUST BE PRE-QUALIFIED WITH THE JEFFERSON COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT TO BID CLASS "E" WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT & FACILITIES CATEGORY PROJECTS IN ORDER TO BID ON THIS PROJECT. TO PRE-QUALIFY WITH THE DEPARTMENT AND TO CONSTRUCT CLASS "E" WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT & FACILITIES CATEGORY

PROJECTS, EACH PROSPECTIVE BIDDER MUST FURNISH WRITTEN EVIDENCE OF COMPETENCY AND EVIDENCE OF FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY TO THE COUNTY.

ACCORDINGLY, THE COUNTY WILL NOT ACCEPT PRE-QUALIFICATIONS AFTER **5:00 PM CENTRAL TIME, FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2015.** BID PROPOSAL FORMS WILL NOT BE ISSUED TO PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS WHO DO NOT PRE-QUALIFY.

CONTRACTORS ARE ENCOURAGED TO CONTACT THE JEFFERSON COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT, 716 RICHARD ARRINGTON JR. BOULEVARD NORTH, SUITE A300, BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, IN ADVANCE OF THE DEADLINE TO DETERMINE IF THE CONTRACTOR IS PRE-QUALIFIED TO CONSTRUCT CLASS "E" WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT & FACILITIES CATEGORY PROJECTS, OR FOR OTHER INFORMATION REGARDING THE REQUIREMENTS FOR PRE-QUALIFICATION.

BY: _____
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Jefferson County, Alabama