

SECTION 00020INVITATION TO BID

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Town of Bethel, Connecticut

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1 School Street

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Construction and Development of two Municipal Water  
Supply Wells No. 1A and No. 2A at the Maple Ave Site,  
Bethel, Connecticut

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Sealed bids for the **Construction and Development of two Municipal Water Supply Wells No. 1A and No. 2A at the Maple Ave Site, Bethel, Connecticut** will be received by the Town of Bethel, Public Works Department at the Clifford J. Hurgin Municipal Center, 1 School Street, Bethel, CT, 06801 until 2 P.M., local time, Thursday, June 16, 2016 and then at said office publicly opened and read aloud. Bids submitted after this time will not be accepted. Each bidder must submit a single sealed envelope, the outside of which must be clearly marked "Construction and Development of two Municipal Water Supply Wells No. 1A and No. 2A at the Maple Ave Site." The sealed Bids will be safeguarded until public opening.

The Work involves construction, installation and development of two gravel packed wells, electrical, process equipment and piping upgrades and connection to existing electrical and water distribution system, demolition of existing equipment, piping, and associated appurtenances, excavation, backfill, site work, and appurtenant restoration work. All Bid Alternates must be included in the Bid.

The Contract Documents may be examined at the following locations:

1. Clifford J. Hurgin Municipal Center, Public Works Department, 1 School Street, Bethel, CT, 06801;
2. Wright-Pierce, 169 Main Street, 700 Plaza Middlesex, Middletown, CT 06457;

The Issuing Office is Town of Bethel, Public Works Department, 1 School Street, Bethel, Connecticut 06801. Copies of Contract Documents may be obtained upon payment of a non-refundable fee of \$250 per set from the Public Works Department. Partial sets will not be distributed. All requests for mailed documents must be accompanied by an additional non-refundable fee of \$35 to cover postage and handling. Checks should be made payable to Town of Bethel.

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

This project includes American Iron and Steel Requirements.

A mandatory pre-bid conference will be held at Clifford J. Hurgin Municipal Center, Public Works Department, 1 School Street, Bethel, CT, 06801 on Wednesday, June 1, 2016 at 10 A.M. Attendance is mandatory and participation is encouraged.

A completed Bid Form, Experience Statement, Executive Order No. 3 Compliance Statement, Certification of Bidder Requiring Equal Opportunity, Non-Collusion Affidavit, MBE/WBE Subcontract Participation on Clean Water Fund Construction Projects Requirements Understanding Form, Contractor Prequalification Certificate, Contractor Update (Bid) Statement, and bid security in the amount of five percent of the Total Bid must be submitted with the Bid. Note that subcontractors contracting to the General Contractor for which their portion of the estimated cost is more than \$500,000, must also hold a current Prequalification Certificate for the designated classification (concrete: precast structural and architectural) from the Department of Administrative Services (DAS), and must submit a copy of the contractor's DAS Prequalification Certificate and Update (Bid) Statement 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 Connecticut, or a certified check drawn upon a bank within the State of Connecticut. Bid Security shall be made payable to Town of Bethel, Connecticut. Bids submitted without Bid Security will not be considered. No Bid may be withdrawn for 90 days after receipt of Bids unless released by the Owner.

The bid opening will occur at least 30 days from the date of publication of the formal advertisement of the project, pursuant to RCSA Section 22a-482-4(j)2(B).

The apparent low bidder must furnish, within 14 days after the receipt of Bids, completed Minority Business Enterprise / Women's Business Enterprise Subcontractor Verification Forms, provided in the Contract Documents, along with corresponding Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) and Women's Business Enterprise (WBE) certification for each subcontractor. The requirement for MBE/WBE subcontractor participation, expressed as a percentage of the **total contract amount**, shall be a minimum of 8.0 percent with the following makeup:

MBE 3.0 percent      WBE 5.0 percent

Failure to meet or exceed the required percentage shall render a bid-non responsive and cause the rejection of the bid.

**Note:** For subcontracts for material suppliers, only 25% of the dollar value of their contracts may be applied toward the required percentage listed above unless that supplier manufactures those supplies.

The successful bidder must furnish within 10 calendar days after the Notice of Award the required number of copies of the signed Agreement, plus a Certification of Non-Segregated Facilities, 100% Performance Bond, 100% Payment Bond, and begin execution of this contract within 10 calendar days following the Notice to Proceed.

Any contract or contracts awarded under the Advertisement to Bid are expected to be funded in part by a Loan from the State of Connecticut Department of Public Health's 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 advertisement or any resulting contract. This procurement is subject to the requirements contained in Section 22a-482-4, (g), (h), (j) and (o) of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies.

The Successful Bidder must comply with the following:

Minority and Women Business Enterprises Requirements: Each Bidder shall take special notice of the Minority and Women Business Enterprise Subcontract Participation in sub-agreements. Failure to complete the requirements of this program may result in finding that the bidder is non-responsive and therefore, not entitled to be awarded this contract. Requirements are detailed in the Bidding Documents.

Non-discrimination in Employment and Labor Standards: Bidders on this work and all subcontractors will be required to comply with the Governor's Executive Order No. 3 and No. 17 regarding affirmative action and equal employment opportunity, as well as provisions in the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Equal Opportunity Act of 1972 and Executive Orders 11246, 11375, 11478. A Compliance Certification Form is required with bid (Section 00406). Requirements under these Orders are detailed in the Bidding Documents.

Department of Labor Regulations: The Contractor must comply with all the Safety and Health Regulations (CFR29 Part 1926 and all subsequent amendments) as promulgated by the US Department of Labor on June 24, 1974; the Department of Labor Regulations relating to 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, and Occupational Safety and Health Standards (OSHA) (29 CFR Part 1910).

Environmental Regulations: In addition to the state regulations cited above, the Contractor must comply with all applicable standards, orders, or requirements issued under 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 and Environmental Protection Agency regulations (40 CFR Part 15). Contractors are urged to become familiar with the requirements of these regulations.

Connecticut Department of Labor Prevailing Wages: The Contractor must comply with Section 31-53 of the Connecticut General Statutes as amended, including annual adjustments in Prevailing Wages. State prevailing wage rates are to be paid for a project with an estimated cost greater than \$100,000.

Federal Department of Labor Davis-Bacon Prevailing Wages: The Contractor must comply with U.S. Department of Labor Davis-Bacon Act, including reporting requirements and required contract language for any project whose total cost is greater than \$2,000.

The Board of Selectman upon recommendation of the Procurement Committee reserves the right to accept and/or reject any portion of said bid; to waive any technicality in any bid or part thereof and to accept any bid as provided for in Section 8-13c of the Charter of the Town of Bethel.

The Town of Bethel is an Equal Opportunity and Affirmative Action Employer

Dated at Bethel, Connecticut, this 5<sup>th</sup> day of May 2016.

Town of Bethel  
Purchasing Authority  
Matthew S. Knickerbocker, First Selectman  
Robert V. Kozlowski, Comptroller

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