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**THE ADVOCATE**
**BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA**

## NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

The City of Baton Rouge and Parish of East Baton Rouge will receive electronic or paper bids for the construction of the following project:

## JOOR ROAD / GREENWELL SPRINGS ROAD SEWER AREA UPGRADES
## CITY-PARISH PROJECT NO. 11-FM-MS-0023

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION: THIS PROJECT WILL INCLUDE CONSTRUCTION OF GRAVITY SEWERS AND FORCE MAINS TO INCREASE EXISTING SEWER CAPACITY IN THE NORTH FORCED BASIN. THE PROJECT WILL INCLUDE CONSTRUCTION OF APPROXIMATELY 4,600 LF OF GRAVITY SEWER RANGING IN DIAMETER FROM 10" TO 12" AND APPROXIMATELY 15,600 LF OF FORCE MAIN RANGING IN DIAMETER FROM 8" TO 24". THIS PROJECT ALSO INCLUDES APPROXIMATELY 900 LF OF JACKED AND BORED CASING RANGING IN DIAMETER FROM 16" TO 42".**

Electronic or sealed bids will be received until 2:00 p.m. Local Time, **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2016** by the Purchasing Division, City Hall, 222 St. Louis Street, 8th Floor, Rm 826, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70802. No bids will be received after 2:00 p.m. on the same day and date.

Electronic bids and electronic bid bonds for the solicitation will be downloaded by the City of Baton Rouge and Parish of East Baton Rouge, Purchasing Division. Electronic bids and electronic bid bonds must be submitted through **www.bidexpress.com** prior to the bidding deadline. Beginning as soon as feasible after the bid closing time all electronic bids will be downloaded and publicly read aloud along with all paper bids received, if any, in in Room 806 of City Hall immediately after the 2:00 p.m. bid closing. Bidders and/or their authorized representatives are invited to be present.

Bids, amendments to bids, or request for withdrawal of quotations, received after time specified for bid opening shall not be considered for any cause whatsoever.

Bids shall be firm for a period of sixty (60) days from the date of the opening of bids and no bid shall be withdrawn for any reason during this period of time except as allowed per R.S. 38:2214.C.

**Electronic copies** of the plans, specifications and contract documents may be obtained online at **www.bidexpress.com**. **Paper copies** of the plans, specifications, and contract documents are on file and may be obtained from the **Department of Public Works and Planning Center, Engineering Division, 1100 Laurel Street, First Floor, Room 128, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70802,** upon payment of **fifty-five dollars ($55.00)**. (Make checks payable to the City of Baton Rouge and Parish of East Baton Rouge.) Fees for plans, specifications, and contract documents are to cover the cost of reproduction and are non-refundable in accordance with Louisiana Revised Statutes.

A Certified Check or Cashier's Check, payable to the Parish of East Baton Rouge or a satisfactory Bid Bond executed by the Bidder and an acceptable surety, in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the total bid, shall be submitted with each bid.

**Bids shall be received electronically via www.bidexpress.com or on solicitation bid forms** furnished by the City of Baton Rouge and Parish East Baton Rouge, and only those bids shall be received by the City-Parish which is submitted by those Contractors in whose names the **solicitation bid** forms and/or specifications were issued. In no event shall **paper solicitation** forms be issued later than twenty-four (24) hours prior to the hour and date set for receiving proposals.

The Bidder is advised that project is exempt from sales and use taxes. Reference Special Provisions for specific requirements.

The Bidder is advised that the City of Baton Rouge and Parish of East Baton Rouge is an Equal Opportunity Employer. Therefore the Bidder is encouraged to utilize minority participation in this contract to the extent possible through the use of small, disadvantaged and women-owned businesses as suppliers or subcontractors. To assist the City-Parish in our efforts to track the minority participation on our construction projects the successful low bidder shall include completed City-Parish form CP DBE-1 (revised 3/6/2012) with the monthly partial payment request

The Contractor is advised that this work is part of a consent decree between the City-Parish, the U.S. EPA and LDEQ. Therefore, all work performed by the Contractor shall conform to the terms of the Consent Decree, which is available on the SSO Program website http://www.brprojects.com/sewer/pages/programinfo_regulatory.htm.

All Contractors bidding on this work shall comply with all provisions of the State Licensing Law for Contractors, R.S. 37:2150-2163, as amended, for all public contracts. It shall also be the responsibility of the General Contractor to assure that all subcontractors comply with this law. If required for bidding, Contractors must hold an active license issued by the Louisiana State Licensing Board for Contractors in the classification of **"Municipal and Public Works Construction"** and must show their license number on the face of the bid envelope and the Uniform Public Works Bid Form.

In accordance with La. R.S. 38:2214 (B) the City of Baton Rouge and Parish of East Baton Rouge reserves the right to reject any and all bids for just cause. In accordance with La. R.S. 38:2212 (B), the provisions and requirements of this Section, those stated in the advertisement for bids, and those required on the bid form shall not be considered as informalities and shall not be waived by any public entity.

A **mandatory pre-bid conference** will be held at **2:00 P.M., TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2016,** in **Department of Public Works and Planning Center, Engineering Division, 1100 Laurel Street, First Floor Conference Room, Room 133, Baton Rouge, LA 70802.** All parties interested in this project must be present no later than 2:05 P.M. to be considered eligible bidders for this project.

For additional information please contact Jarrod Tramonte, Project Manager at (225) 381-8454 or Jarrod.Tramonte@ch2m.com