NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS' INVITATION FOR BIDS

Sealed Bids will be received by the <u>Mexia Water System</u> until <u>Tuesday May 7, 2024, at 10:00 A.M., local time</u>, for the work according to Specifications and Contract Documents on file in the office of the Owner, the improvements hereinafter described. No bids will be received after the time set forth hereinabove; and the Bids will be publicly opened and read.

The Bid Documents will be opened at <u>Mexia Water System</u> on <u>Tuesday May 7, 2024, at 10:00 A.M., 4455 Highway 84 Frisco City, AL 36445.</u> If your Bid Documents are mailed, they should be received prior to <u>Tuesday May 7, 2024, at 10:00 A.M. at the Mexia Water System office.</u>

The work of providing labor, equipment, and material for <u>Mexia Water System DWSRF Infrastructure</u> <u>Improvements Project – Telemetry Upgrades Project – DWSRF PROJECT NO. FS010356-01.</u>

The principal items of work are detailed herein below:

- 1. Furnish and Install Telemetry Upgrades.
- 2. Provide a minimum of one (1) day training.

Plans, Specifications and Contract Documents are open to public inspection at the office of Owner, <u>Mexia Water System 4455 Highway 84 Frisco City</u>, <u>AL 36445</u> or may be obtained from the office of the Engineers, Utility Engineering Consultants, LLC, 130 Southcrest Drive., Suite 100, Homewood, AL 35209 upon deposit of <u>\$ 75.00</u> per set, the actual cost of printing, reproducing, handling and distribution for each set of documents. No refunds will be made except to Prime Contractor Bidders, which shall be refunded for one bid set.

The successful bidder must furnish a Performance Bond for one hundred (100%) of the bid amount and a Payment Bond for one hundred (100%) percent of the bid amount and must secure his bond from a bonding company's representative or agent in the State of Alabama.

No bid may be withdrawn after the time for opening bids has passed. The Owner reserves the right to hold the bids for a period of sixty (60) days after the date of receiving the Bids.

The Contractor is hereby advised that **TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE** on this project and that the contract time of <u>60</u> consecutive calendar days total and noted restrictions shall be strictly observed. **LIQUIDATED DAMAGES WILL BE ASSESSED IF CONTRACT TIME 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 Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive any informality in any bid, and to accept any bid considered advantageous to the Owner.

The contractor shall note that funds for this project are provided through DWSRF (Drinking Water State Revolving Loan Funds) and ARPA Funds. All Applicable Federal Guidelines must be met. There will be no Pre-Bid meeting.

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