## ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS Water System Improvements Contract No. 1 – Montego Point and Lewis Family Road Water System Expansion for the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners

Sealed bids will be received by the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners (OWNER), for furnishing all materials, labor, tools, equipment, and any other miscellaneous items necessary for the construction of the Water System Improvements Contract No. 1 – Montego Point and Lewis Family Road Water System Expansion in Lincoln County, Georgia.

Bids will be received at Lincoln County Courthouse, 210 Humphrey Street, Lincolnton, GA 30817 until 10:00 a.m. on June 2, 2020. Any bid received after said time and date of bid opening will not be considered by OWNER. Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at this time and location. All bids will be evaluated by OWNER and the project will be awarded, if it is awarded, within sixty (60) days of the bid opening. If a bidder is not selected within sixty (60) days of the bid opening, any bidder that is determined by the OWNER to be unlikely of being selected for contract award shall be released from their bid.

## The award of this bid proposal, if awarded, shall be based on several criteria, including prices bid, experience in the work proposed, and references. Refer to Article 19 of Section 00200 for criteria and award method.

The Project consists of, but is not limited to the following major elements:

Construction of approximately 14,133 LF of 8-inch waterline, 9,342 LF of 6-inch waterline, 1,614 LF of 3-inch waterline, 1,410 LF of 2-inch waterline, 2 well site improvements, 90 LF of jack and bores, 200 LF of horizontal directional drilling, 56 new meter services, 500 meter replacements with radio read meters, fire hydrants, valves and associated appurtenances.

Time of completion for all work associated with this project shall be one hundred fifty (150) consecutive calendar days from the date of a written "Notice to Proceed" from OWNER.

Copies of Contract Documents, Specifications, and Construction Drawings may be obtained at the office of Engineering Management, Inc., 303 Swanson Drive, Lawrenceville, Georgia 30043, upon payment of a non-refundable cost of \$200. Checks shall be made payable Engineering Management, Inc.

For general information and purchasing documents regarding this project, you may call Renee Stewart at (770) 962-1387, extension 100. For technical questions regarding this project, you may call Zack Bryan at (770) 962-1387, extension 111.

The Information for Bidders, Bid Proposal Form, Form of Agreement, Drawings, Specifications, and forms of Bid Bond, Performance Bond, Payment Bond, Bidders Qualification Forms, and other Contract Documents may be examined at the following locations:

OWNER:

Lincoln County Board of Commissioners 210 Humphrey Street Lincolnton, GA 30817 706-359-4444 (T) Engineering Management, Inc. 303 Swanson Drive Lawrenceville, GA 30043 770-962-1387 (T) 770-962-8010 (F)

## A list of persons who purchased Contract Documents from Engineering Management, Inc. will be available from the Engineer ONLY through facsimile transmission, U.S. Mail, or from their website at www.eminc.biz.

OWNER requires a bid bond\* or a certified cashier's check in the amount of five percent (5%) of the total bid to be enclosed with the bid at the time of bid opening. Cashier's check shall be made payable to the County of Lincoln, Georgia.

The successful bidder will be required to furnish OWNER with Insurance, Workman's Compensation Insurance, and Performance and Payment Bonds\* in the amount of one-hundred percent (100%) of the total bid.

Each bid must be submitted in a SEALED ENVELOPE, addressed to the OWNER. Each sealed envelope containing a Bid must be plainly marked on the outside as, "Water System Improvements Contract No. 1 - Montego Point and Lewis Family Road Water System Expansion for the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners" and be labeled with the BIDDER'S State of Georgia Utility Contractor License Number. If bid is forwarded by mail, the sealed envelope containing the Bid must be enclosed in a separate mailing envelope to the attention of the OWNER at the address previously given.

All Bids must be made out on the bid form of the type bound in the Contract Documents, in accordance with the instructions in the Information for Bidders. No interlineation, additions, or deletions shall be made in the proposal form by the BIDDER.

Any and all Bids received without the aforementioned qualification criteria enclosed, will be returned to the BIDDER.

CONTRACTORS and SUBCONTRACTORS bidding on this Project will be required to comply with all Federal, State, and local laws.

OWNER reserves the right to waive any informalities or to reject any or all Bids, to evaluate Bids, and to accept any Bid which in its opinion may be in the best interest of the OWNER. No Bid will be rejected without just cause.

Successful Bidder will be required to perform WORK as the Prime Contractor. WORK performed by Prime Contractor shall be at a minimum 30% of the contract value.

No BIDDER may withdraw his bid within the time limit specified in the Instruction to Bidders (Section 00100).

The OWNER has acquired all necessary State and Federal permits in connection with this project. The OWNER has acquired all of the easements and rights of way in connection with this project.

This project is funded by USDA-Rural Development.

Section 746 of Title VII of the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2017 (Division A - Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2017) and subsequent statutes mandating domestic preference applies an American Iron and Steel requirement to this project. All listed iron and steel products used in this project must be produced in the United States. The term "iron and steel products" means the following products made primarily of iron or steel: lined or unlined pipes and fittings, manhole covers and other municipal castings, hydrants, tanks, flanges, pipe clamps and restraints, valves, structural steel, reinforced precast concrete, and construction materials. The deminimis and minor components waiver apply to this contract.

\* Surety and insurance companies must have an AM Best rating of A-6 or greater, be listed in the Federal Registry of Companies holding Certificates of Authority and Acceptable Sureties on Federal Bonds, must appear on the Treasury Department's most current list (Circular 570 as amended), be licensed by the Georgia Insurance Department and the Georgia Secretary of State to do business in the State of Georgia. Contracts for projects exceeding \$100,000 require bonds or cash deposit in escrow assuring performance and payment each in the amount of 100% of the contract cost. Surety shall be in the form of Performance and Payment Bonds. For Performance Bonds less than \$300,000 an irrevocable Letter of Credit from a bank as defined in O.C.G.A. Code Section 7-1-4 may be submitted in lieu of a bond. In lieu of a Payment Bond, a Cashier's Check, Certified Check, or Cash may be submitted in an amount not less than the total amount payable by the terms of the CONTRACT.

Chairman Walker T. Norman Lincoln County, Georgia

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