SECTION 00020 - INVITATION TO BID

Sealed bids for the construction of Water Main Replacements in Seavey St, Westbrook will be received by the Portland Water District, 225 Douglass Street, Portland, Maine until 10:00 a.m., local time, March 7, 2023. The work shall consist of, but is not necessarily limited to, the following:

- 1. Replace approximately 1,700 ft of existing 6" water main and appurtenances with 8" ductile iron.
- 2. Furnish and maintain temporary water mains where indicated on the drawings.

Bids may be hand delivered one (1) hour prior to Bid opening time only (from 9:00am to 10:00am on March 7, 2023.) The Purchasing Agent, Wesley Gilbert, will receive Bids in person at the customer service entrance at 225 Douglas Street, Portland, Maine 04104 by contacting Wesley in advance at 207-523-5203. Bid opening will be hosted remotely on Cisco Webex Meetings. The Bid Opening Webex Meeting ID is 2632 262 8717 and can be entered with passcode: 6AcAVdEX3v5 (62228339 from phones and video systems). You may also join by phone at +1-408-418-9388, with access code 2632 262 8717.

Electronic copies of contract documents may be obtained upon request. Contact Wesley Gilbert, Purchasing Agent, (207) 523-5203, wgilbert@pwd.org to obtain information regarding access to the files. (Paper copies are not available.)

Each bid must be accompanied by Bid Guaranty in form of certified check or bid bond in amount of five percent (5%) of the total amount of the bid. A performance bond in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the contract price, and labor and material payment bonds in like amount will be required prior to execution of the Agreement.

Bidder must have a Westbrook excavator's license and obtain an excavation permit and comply with all rules and regulations associated with the municipal street opening ordinances.

The Portland Water District will supply the Contractor with all ductile iron pipe and standard gaskets. The Contractor will supply all other materials.

Bidder is responsible for determining if there are Addenda to the Project by viewing the P.W.D. project website located at www.pwd.org/construction-bids. The bidder is responsible for incorporating addenda into their Bid and referencing the number and date on Article 3 – Bidder's Representations of the Bid form. The Portland Water District will not post Bid Addenda any later than 2 days prior to the bid opening without individually notifying all plan holders.

No bids may be withdrawn within sixty (60) days after date of opening thereof. Right is reserved to refuse or reject any or all bids or to waive any informality in proposals received and to award work at discretion of the General Manager acting in the best interests of the Portland Water District.