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Notice to Bidders

Sealed bids for the construction of **DWSRF Galvanized Replacement - Phase 1** will be received by Portland Water District (PWD) at their Portland Office (**225 Douglass Street, Portland, Maine 04102**) until **3:00pm** local time, **April 16, 2025**.

Bids may be hand delivered to the Purchasing Agent, Wesley Gilbert, weekdays during normal business hours within one (1) week of the scheduled Bid opening. Please contact Wesley at least one (1) business day in advance of drop-off at 207-774-5961 Ext. 1007.

On the day of the Bid Opening, the Purchasing Agent will receive Bids in person at the Nixon Training Room entrance at **225 Douglass Street, Portland, Maine 04102** from **2:00pm to 3:00pm**. The bid opening will be hosted **in person** in the PWD Nixon Training Room at the address listed above.

The work shall generally consist of, but is not necessarily limited to,

1. Replacement of roughly 2,500 feet of 2-inch galvanized water piping in nine (9) streets in South Portland with new ductile iron and HDPE piping varying in size between 2-inch and 8-inch.
2. Replacement of roughly 1,060 feet of 2-inch galvanized water piping in Libby Avenue and Forest Street in Westbrook with new 8-inch ductile iron water piping.

Electronic copies of contract documents may be obtained upon request, contact Wesley Gilbert, Purchasing Agent, 207-774-5961 ext.1007, wgilbert@pwd.org to obtain information regarding access to the files. (Paper copies are not available.)

A **non-mandatory** Pre-Bid Conference will be held for General Contractors **in person** at the PWD Nixon Training Room (address listed above) on **March 25, 2025** at **2:00pm**. Attendance by Subcontractors, while encouraged, is not mandatory.

Each proposal must be accompanied by Proposal 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 agrees to begin and complete work with the time frame outlined in the Agreement.

The Bidder is responsible for determining if there are Addenda to the Project by viewing the PWD 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. PWD will not post Bid Addenda any later than two (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 the discretion of the General Manager acting in the best interests of PWD.

Any person interested in Bidding on this contract should thoroughly familiarize themselves with these DWSRF Supplemental General Conditions. Failure to comply with any of these conditions may result in the Bidder being determined non-responsive and therefore, not entitled to the award of this contract.

Each Bidder shall take notice special notice of the Guidance for use of Disadvantaged Business Enterprises in the DWSRF Supplemental General Conditions. Failure to complete these requirements may result in finding that the Bidder is nonresponsive and therefore, not eligible to awarded this contract. Complete requirements are located in the Bid Documents.

Bidders on this work will be required to comply with the President's Executive Order No. 11246 and amendments and supplements to that Order. The requirements for Bidders and CONTRACTORS under this Order are located in the DWSRF Supplemental General Conditions.

The CONTRACTOR must comply with the Department of Labor Regulations relating to Copeland "AntiKickback 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, Occupational Safety and Health Standards (OSHA) (29 CFR part 1910)

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), Safe Drinking Water Act, Executive Order 11738, and the Environmental Protection Agency regulations (40 CFR Part 15).

The CONTRACTOR must comply with Section 13 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act Amendments of 1972, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1964, Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, and the Uniform Relocation and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act.

The CONTRACTOR must comply with all permits, restrictions and conditions, issued for the PROJECT by Federal Cross-cutting Authorities.

Any contract awarded under this Advertisement to Bidders is expected to be funded in part by a Maine Drinking Water State Revolving Fund loan. Neither the State of Maine nor any of its departments, agencies, or employees is, or will be, party to the CONTRACT.

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