

## PORTSMOUTH WATER AND FIRE DISTRICT

## ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD

## PORTSMOUTH, RHODE ISLAND

## ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

The Portsmouth Water and Fire District (PWFD) invites sealed bids for the proposed “Sakonnet River Water Main Crossing – Pipe Rehabilitation.” Bids will be received by the PWFD office 1944 East Main Road, Portsmouth, RI 02871 until 2 PM on May 30, 2023 and then at said office publicly opened and read aloud. Sealed Bids must have outer envelope marked as “Portsmouth Water and Fire District, Sakonnet River Water Main Crossing – Pipe Rehabilitation.”

The work consists of the following: lining approximately 1,700 feet of 10-inch cast iron transmission water main; partial piping demolition and new piping installation in the Tiverton Treatment Building.

Bidding Documents may be obtained electronically from the Tighe & Bond website at [http://www.tighebond.com/Projects\\_Out\\_to\\_Bid.php](http://www.tighebond.com/Projects_Out_to_Bid.php) beginning May 2, 2023. Prospective bidders must complete a one-time registration process on the web site in order to receive log-in credentials. Bidders must log in to the web site to download bidding documents for the project. Bidders will be added to the “planholders” or prospective bidders list upon downloading the bidding documents for the project.

All Bidders shall furnish with their Bid a bid guaranty in the form of a bid bond, cash or a certified check, treasurer’s check or cashier’s check issued by a responsible bank or trust company, in the amount of 5% of the total amount of the bid and made payable to the Portsmouth Water & Fire District.

Performance and Labor and Materials Payment Bonds, in the full amount of the Contract Price, will be required of the Successful Bidder.

No Bid may be withdrawn within thirty (30) days after the date of the opening of bids.

Bidders will be required to comply with Executive Order No. 11246, entitled “Equal Employment Opportunity”, as amended by Executive Order No. 11375, and as supplemented in Department of Labor Regulations (41 CFR Part 60). The requirements for Bidders and Contractors under this order are explained in the Instructions to Bidders.

Minority Business Enterprises, as defined by Rhode Island General Laws, Section 37-14.1-3 shall have the maximum opportunity to participate in the performance of Subcontracts performed under this agreement. The Contractor will take all reasonable steps in accordance with the regulations promulgated under Chapter 37-14.1 of the Rhode Island General Laws to ensure that minority business enterprises have the maximum opportunity to compete for and perform subcontracts under this agreement. The goal for this project is a minimum of 10% percent MBE participation by state-certified MBEs. The Bidder shall submit completed MBE forms with the Bid. Failure to comply with the requirements of this paragraph may be deemed to render a Bid non-responsive.

Minimum Wage Rates as determined by the Department of Labor under the provision of the Rhode Island General Laws, Title 37, Chapter 13, as amended, apply to this project. It is the responsibility of the Contractor, before Bid opening, to request if necessary, any additional information on Minimum Wage Rates for those trades people who may be employed for the proposed Work under this Contract.

This project is funded by a loan from the Clean Water State Revolving Fund loan program and an Emergency Interconnection Grant from the Rhode Island Water Resources Board. Section 00800 contains the funding program construction contract requirements, all of which shall be applicable to this Contract.

The project is subject to the State of Rhode Island Domestic Steel requirement of Title 37, Chapter 2.1 of the Rhode Island General Laws, which requires that all of the steel products used in the project are produced in the United States. Section 00800 contains further information on applicable iron and steel products and compliance.

Owner reserves the right to waive any informality in or to reject any or all Bids, or to accept any Bid which in their opinion, is in the public interest to do so.

A non-mandatory pre-bid meeting will be held at the Portsmouth Water and Fire District Office located at 1944 East Main Rd in Portsmouth, RI on May 11, 2023 at 2 PM.

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