SECTION 00020 INVITATION FOR BIDS

The Town of Edisto Beach will receive Sealed Bids for the **Upgrades to Pump Stations "A"** project until **2:00 PM on Wednesday October 25, 2023** at the Town of Edisto Beach offices at 2414 Murray Street in Edisto Beach, SC, at which time and place all Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. A non-mandatory pre-bid meeting will be held at 11:00 AM on Wednesday October 11, 2023 at the Town Hall at the above address.

Bids are invited upon the several items and quantities of work as follows:

• Upgrades of Wastewater Pump Station "A", including removal and replacement of existing pumps and equipment.

Contract Documents, including Drawings and Technical Specifications, are on file at the following locations:

American Engineering Consultants, Inc. 1300 Twelfth Street, Suite A Cayce, SC 29033 (PO Box 2299 / 29171)

ConstructConnect Plan Room (ConstructConnect.com) Available In Online Plan Rooms Only

Dodge Data & Analytics/Dodge Construction Network Plan Room (Construction.com) Available In Online Plan Rooms Only

Copies of the Contract Documents may be obtained upon non-refundable payment of \$130.00 with the Engineer for each set of documents so obtained. All Prime Bidders must obtain a set of Documents.

This project is being funded by a grant from "the South Carolina Infrastructure Investment Program (SCIIP)", and administer by "the South Carolina Rural Infrastructure Authority (RIA)". Bidders must be aware of and must comply with all applicable state and federal requirements identified in the bid documents. The low bidder will be required to complete all required documentation and submit to the engineer within ten (10) days of the bid opening. RIA must review the information and approve the contractor prior to issuance of a Notice to Proceed. Reference is made to the information included in Section 00818 Supplementary Conditions.

The selected low bidder will be required to obtain an Electrical Permit from the Town of Edisto Beach for this project. Fees are available online from the Town of Edisto Beach website.

No bid shall be considered unless the bidder is legally qualified under the provisions of the South Carolina Contractor's Licensing Law and has a classification of General Contractor-Public Utilities and a subclassification of Water and Sewer Lines with the appropriate License Group Limitation for the Bid amount. No bidder may withdraw his Bid within 90 consecutive days after the actual date of opening.

A certified check or bank draft payable to the order of the OWNER, negotiable U. S. Government Bonds (at par value), or a satisfactory Bid Bond executed by the Bidder and an acceptable Surety in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the total Bid shall be submitted with each Bid. The low bidder will be required to furnish a satisfactory performance bond and payment bond, each in the amount of 100% of the bid amount. All Bonds shall be in the form prescribed by the Contract Documents except as provided otherwise by Laws or Regulations, and shall be executed by such sureties as are named in the current list of Companies Holding Certificates of Authority as Acceptable Sureties on Federal Bonds and as Acceptable Reinsuring Companies, as published in Circular 570 (amended) by the Audit Staff, Bureau of Government Financial Operations, U.S. Treasury Department. All Bonds signed by an agent must be accompanied by a certified copy of such agent's authority to act for the surety at the time of the signing of the bond."

OWNER reserves the right to reject any and/or all Bids or to waive any informality in the Bidding. Bids may be held by the OWNER for a period not to exceed ninety (90) days from the date of the opening of Bids for the purpose of reviewing the Bids and investigating the qualifications of Bidders, prior to awarding of the Contract.

Owner: Town of Edisto Beach

By: Mark Aakhus

Title: Town Administrator

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