## ITEM I

## **ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS**

Sealed bids will be received by the County Commission of Mobile County, Alabama, in the Mobile Government Plaza, Eighth Floor South Tower, Mobile, Alabama, until **10:00 A.M.** on **March 20, 2024**, and then publicly opened for furnishing all labor and materials, and performing all work required by Mobile County and described as follows:

Project: Extension of Effluent Force Main from Bayou La Batre WWTF
Project No.: RST-S1P09-BLBE-255, Phase 2

Project Description: Construction of approximately 21,320 LF of 30" effluent outfall in Mississippi Sound, connection to the existing outfall and installation of a new effluent diffuser and appurtenances.

<u>Two hundred and seventy</u> (270) calendar days are allowed for the construction of the project.

All bids must be on blank forms provided in the specifications and submitted in its entirety. A cashier's check drawn on an Alabama bank or a bidder's bond, payable to Mobile County, Alabama, for an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the amount bid, but in no event more than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) in accordance with Alabama bid law, shall be filed with the bid, as a bid guaranty. The bidder's bond shall be prepared on the form specified and issued by a surety company authorized to do business in the State of Alabama.

A performance bond in the form and terms approved by the County in an amount not less than the contract price will be required at the signing of the contract. A labor and materials bond in the form and terms approved by the County in an amount not less than the contract price, insuring payment for all labor and materials, shall also be required at the signing of the contract. In addition, the contractor must furnish to the County at the time of the signing of the contract a certificate of insurance coverage as provided in the specifications. The right is reserved to reject any and/or all bids and to waive informalities and to furnish any item of material or work to change the amount of said contract.

Liquidated damages for non-completion of the work within the time limit agreed upon will be assessed in accordance with the terms of the contract.

Specifications are on file and may be viewed at the office of **Thompson Engineering**, **2970 Cottage Hill Road**, **Suite 190**, **Mobile**, **Alabama 36606** and Mobile County Environmental Services, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor, South Tower, 205 Government Street, Mobile Alabama. Specifications may be obtained by prime contractor bidders depositing **Five Hundred (\$500) dollars** with the Project Engineer for each set. This deposit shall be refunded in full upon return of the documents in reusable condition within ten (10) days after bid opening. The cost of and return of additional sets of specifications shall be in accord with Section 39-2-3(b), Code of Alabama (1975). No Specifications will be issued later than twenty-four (24) hours prior to the time indicated above for receiving bids.

A **Mandatory Pre-Bid** conference will be held on **March 7, 2024,** at **10:30 A.M.,** in the 7<sup>th</sup> Floor, South Tower Conference Room, Mobile Government Plaza, 205 Government Street, Mobile, Alabama. All prospective bidders should have a representative present at the pre-bid conference.

No bids will be considered unless the bidder, whether resident or non-resident of Alabama, is properly licensed and qualified to perform the work described herein in accordance with all applicable laws of the State of Alabama. This shall include evidence of holding a current certificate to engage in general contracting in the State of Alabama, issued by the State of Alabama Licensing Board for General Contractors, Montgomery, Alabama, as required by Section 34-8-2, Code of Alabama (1975). Any contractor that desires to bid as a prime contractor must have at least one of the following major classifications of license per Section 230-X-1-.27 of the State of Alabama Licensing Board for General Contractors Administrative Code:

- 1.d.) Municipal and Utility
- 1.e.) Heavy and Railroad Construction

Out of state corporations shall furnish a certificate of authority to transact business in Alabama. Out of state limited liability companies shall provide proof of registration to transact business in this state.

Prior to the award of a competitively bid contract to a contractor having one or more employees in the State of Alabama, Alabama law requires that the contractor provide the County proof of enrollment in E-Verify (see <a href="https://www.uscis.gov/everify">www.uscis.gov/everify</a>).

All Bidders must be registered in <a href="www.SAM.gov">www.SAM.gov</a> for the purposes of confirming suspension status. Mobile County will verify that the contractor or its principles, does not appear on the federal government's Federal Excluded Parties List prior to executing an agreement of contract with the entity.

No bid shall be withdrawn for a period of ninety (90) days subsequent to the opening of bids without the consent of the County Commission of Mobile County, Alabama.

## The Bid Schedule may be examined at the following locations:

Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs
Community and Economic Development Division
Office of Minority Business Enterprise
401 Adams Avenue
Montgomery, AL 36104
(334) 242-5100

https://adeca.alabama.gov/ombe/

Any contract awarded under this Invitation for Bids may be paid for in whole or in part with grant funding from the Gulf Coast Ecosystem Restoration Council ("RESTORE Council", also "Council") and the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources ("ADCNR") under the Resources and Ecosystems Sustainability, Tourist Opportunities, and Revived Economies of the Gulf Coast States Act of 2012 (RESTORE Act). Any contract resulting from this solicitation will be subject to the terms and conditions of the

funding award, the RESTORE Council Financial Assistance Standard Terms and Conditions, including any Special Award Conditions, the Standard Sub-Award Terms and Conditions, the RESTORE Act, 33 U. S. C. 1321(t) et seq., the U.S. Department of the Treasury Regulations 31 C. F. R. § 34 et seq., including 31 C. F. R. §§ 34, Subpart F, all applicable terms and conditions in 2 C. F. R. Part 200 of the Office of Management and Budget ("OMB") Uniform Guidance for Grants and Cooperative Agreements, as amended, (including Appendix II to Part 200), and all other OMB circulars, executive orders or other federal laws or regulations, as applicable. Notwithstanding the above, neither ADCNR nor the RESTORE Council, or any of their agents, representatives, or employees, is or will be a party to this Invitation for Bids or any resulting contract. Further, any contractor awarded a contract under this Invitation for Bids shall not be deemed to be an agent, representative, employee, or servant of ADCNR or the RESTORE Council.

Minority and women's business enterprises are solicited to bid on this contract as prime contractors and are encouraged to make inquiries regarding potential subcontracting opportunities and equipment, material and/or supply needs.

All bidders must make positive efforts to use small and minority owned business and women business enterprises.

COUNTY COMMISSION OF MOBILE COUNTY, ALABAMA

BY: RANDALL DUEITT, PRESIDENT

## PUBLISH:

FOLLOWING DATES:

January 31, February 7, February 14, February 21, and February 28, 2024 Charge to Mobile County Commission