SECTION 00010

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by Silicon Valley Clean Water (SVCW) in the office of the Secretary for the Authority at any time prior to 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 01, 2018 for furnishing all labor, materials, equipment, and services for the construction of improvements designated as:

NEW 12kV SWITCHGEAR PROJECT (CIP #9807)

All of said work is to be done as shown on the Plans and Specifications as approved by the Authority.

The location of the office of the Secretary for the Authority:

SILICON VALLEY CLEAN WATER
Attn: Secretary
1400 Radio Road
Redwood City, CA 94065

Sealed Bids may be hand delivered or mailed to the above address.

Bids will be publicly opened, examined and declared on said day and hour, and will be referred to the Commission of the Authority for subsequent action.

A mandatory prebid conference will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, February 14, 2018 at the Pelican Board Room, Silicon Valley Clean Water, 1400 Radio Road, Redwood City, CA.

This prebid conference is mandatory for all prospective bidders. Failure to attend this mandatory prebid conference will make any bid submitted by Bidder unresponsive and will be rejected. The Bidder will be required to comply with Specification Section 00420. The Bidder’s Designated Electrical Subcontractor will be required to comply with Specification Section 00420A and attend the mandatory prebid conference. Failure of the Bidder’s Designated Electrical Subcontractor to attend shall make a subcontractor bid unresponsive.

Under California Laws and Regulations, the Authority shall inform all prime contractors of public works, to the extent feasible, of relevant public work requirements. Therefore, SVCW hereby advises all bidders that the successful bidder shall:

1. Employ the appropriate number of apprentices on the job site as set forth in California Labor Code 1777.5;
2. Provide workers’ compensation coverage, as set forth in California Labor Code Sections 1860 and 1861;
3. Keep and maintain the records of work performed on the Project, as set forth in Labor Code Section 1812;
4. Keep and maintain accurate payroll records as required under Labor Code Section 1776 which shall be certified and available for inspection pursuant to that Section and California Code of Regulations, Division 1, Chapter 8, Subchapter 3, Article 6, Section 16400 (e); and
5. Be subject to other requirements imposed by law.

Bidders are hereby notified that, pursuant to the provisions of Labor Code, Sections 1779 et seq., SVCW has obtained from the Director of the Department of Industrial Relations the general prevailing rate of per diem wages and a general prevailing rate for holidays, Saturdays and Sundays, and overtime work in the locality in which the work is to be performed for each craft, classification, or type of worker required to execute the Contract. Bidders shall notify the Authority of the labor trade classifications used, as outlined in Section 00100, INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS. A copy of said prevailing rate of the per diem wage is on file at the offices of the Authority, 1400 Radio Road.
The Authority will not recognize any claim for additional compensation because of the payment by the Contractor of any wage rate in excess of the prevailing wage rates on file as aforesaid. The possibility of a wage increase is one of the elements to be considered by the Bidder in determining his/her/its bid and will not, under any circumstances, be considered as the basis of a claim against SVCW.

Bidders are hereby notified that if the Contract will be entered into or financed by or with the assistance of agencies of the United States, SVCW must comply with Federal prevailing wage requirements. A copy of the current prevailing rates under Federal law is included in the "Supplementary General Conditions" for this Project so required by Federal law.

The successful Bidder and its subcontractors shall employ workers which consistently display and demonstrate proper moral, ethical and professional conduct to all fellow workers, employees and representatives of the Authority and other involved parties.

Pursuant to the provisions of California Labor Code Section 6707, each Bid submitted in response to this Notice to Contractors shall contain, as a bid item, adequate sheeting, shoring, and bracing, or equivalent method, for the protection of life and limb in trenches and open excavation, which shall conform to applicable safety orders. By listing this sum, the Bidder warrants that its action does not convey tort liability to the Authority, the Design Consultant, the Construction Manager, and their employees, agents, and subcontractors.

Copies of the Contract Documents are on file and available for public inspection in the SVCW Secretary’s Office, 1400 Radio Road, Redwood City. The Contract Documents may be purchased at the Barker Blue Office located at 363 North Amphlett Blvd., San Mateo, California 94401, (650) 331-2100 for a non-refundable charge of approximately $25 for a hard copy or $35 for an electronic copy. Contract Documents will be mailed for an additional charge. Partial sets of Contract Documents are not available from the Authority.

Each Bid must conform and be responsive to the Notice to Contractors, the Plans and Specifications, and all other documents comprising the Contract Documents. Each Bid shall be presented under sealed cover and shall be accompanied by a certified check made payable to the Authority or a Proposal Guarantee Bond in an amount not less than ten (10) percent of the Bid amount. The check or bond shall be given as a guarantee that the Bidder will execute the Contract in conformance with the form of Agreement contained in the Contract Documents and will furnish the bonds and insurance policies as specified therein within twenty (20) days after notification of the award of the Contract to the successful Bidder.

Bidders shall develop and submit bids at their own expense. The Authority will not reimburse any costs associated with the development and submittal of any and all Bids.

The Authority reserves the sole right to reject any and all Bids and to waive any informality in a Bid.

No Bidder may withdraw its Bid for a period of seventy (70) days after the date set for the opening thereof.

At the successful Contractor’s option, securities may be substituted for the required retention, in accordance with the provisions of Section 23300 of the State of California Public Contract Code.

In accordance with the provisions of California
Public Contract Code Section 3300, the Authority has determined that the Contractor shall possess as a minimum a valid Class A License, in accordance with the provisions of California Business and Professions Code Section 7028.15, a Bid submitted to the Authority by a Contractor who is not licensed in accordance with Chapter 9 of the California Business and Professions Code shall be considered non-responsive and shall be rejected by the Authority.

The Authority requires Contractors performing work on its projects to provide a safe worksite and to comply with all Federal, State and Local Safety and Health regulations. Further, the Bidders must certify compliance with mandatory safety programs.

The above-mentioned Project is a public work. Therefore, the prime contractor and all subcontractors for the Project must be registered with the California Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to the provisions of Labor Code Section 1725.5 in order to be qualified to bid on, be listed in a bid proposal, or engage in the performance of any work under the Contract for the Project. (All code references herein are to California codes). A bid shall not be accepted nor any contract or subcontract be entered into without proof of the contractor's or subcontractor's current registration to perform public work pursuant to Labor Code Section 1725.5.

Pursuant to Labor Code Section 1771.4, the Project is subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the Department of Industrial Relations. The prime contractor shall post jobsite notices as prescribed by regulation and the prime contractor and each subcontractor shall furnish the records specified in Labor Code Section 1776 directly to the Labor Commissioner as specified in said Section 1771.4. Pursuant to Labor Code Section 1773.3, the Authority shall provide notice to the Department of Industrial Relations of the award of this Contract within five days of the award.

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