

PROPOSAL ADVERTISEMENT

PART 1. GENERAL

1.1 PROJECT IDENTIFICATION

C&S Project No.: H9500.144
Houston County Bid No.: 25-04

1.2 COMPETITIVE COST SEALED PROPOSALS

Sealed proposals for construction of **Water System Improvements to Serve Cemex** will be received until **Friday, October 18, 2024 at 3:00 PM at 2018 King's Chapel Road, Perry, GA 31069.** Any proposal received after said time and date will not be considered by the Owner. No proposal may be withdrawn after the closing time for the receipt of proposals for a period of sixty (60) days.

1.3 SCOPE OF WORK

The project consists of, but is not limited to, the following major elements:

Offeror agrees to furnish all materials and equipment and to perform all labor necessary to install $\pm 11,500$ LF of 12" ductile iron water main, jack and bores, fire hydrants, valves, vaults, fittings, and all related work.

Time allotted for completion of Work is **180** consecutive calendar days from the date of a written "Notice to Proceed" from OWNER. All Work shall be completed in accordance with the plans and specifications. The Work will be awarded in **one (1) Contract**. The proposed project schedule is as follows:

Pre-Proposal Conference:	October 3, 2024 (Mandatory)
Proposal Opening:	October 18, 2024
Award of Contract:	November 2024
Preconstruction Conference:	January 2025
Notice to Proceed:	February 2025
Date of Substantial Completion:	August 2025

1.4 PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

Complete digital specifications and contract documents are available at www.QuestCDN.com. You may view the digital documents for free by entering the Quest project number **9315018** on the website's project search page. The fee to download the digital documents is \$200 payable through the website. A bidder's proposal will not be considered by the Owner unless the Bidder is on record with Carter & Sloope, Inc. as having purchased and received complete Bidding Documents. Please contact QuestCDN customer support at 952-233-1632 or info@questcdn.com for assistance in membership registration,

downloading and working with digital project information. Any other questions can be directed to the issuing office, Carter & Sloope, Inc., Canton, GA, 770-479-8782.

1.5 CONTRACTOR QUALIFICATIONS

Offerors MUST complete the Qualifications of Bidder (Section 00470) in order to be evaluated for award of Contract. See Qualifications of Bidder for additional requirements.

1.6 CONTRACTOR LICENSE

The Scope of Work as described herein is defined as “utility contracting” in accordance with O.C.G.A 43-14-2(17) so the Contractor performing the work must provide proof of a valid license by the State of Georgia as a “Utility Contractor” and must also employ a “Utility Manager” certification holder who will have oversight of all the work. **Therefore, the Contractor submitting a proposal must list the license number of the Contractor performing the utility contracting on the face of the proposal envelope and on the proposal. No proposal will be opened unless it contains the Contractor’s Utility License Number on the envelope.** See Instruction to Offerors for additional proposal requirements.

1.7 PRE-PROPOSAL CONFERENCE (MANDATORY)

A Pre-Proposal Conference will be held at **10:00 AM local time on Thursday, October 3, 2024** at Houston County Public Works located at 2018 King's Chapel Road, Perry, GA 31069. **The Pre-Proposal Conference is mandatory.** All prospective Offerors are required to attend to discuss and clarify any questions regarding the Scope of Work.

1.8 BONDS

Proposals shall be accompanied by a bid bond or certified cashier’s check in an amount not less than 10% of the base bid. All bonds shall be by a surety company licensed in Georgia with an “A” minimum rating of performance and a financial strength of at least five (5) times the contract price as listed in the most current publication of “Best’s Key Rating Guide Property Liability”. Performance and Payment Bonds, each in an amount equal to 100% of the contract price shall be required of the successful offerors if contract is awarded. Each Bond shall be accompanied by a “Power of Attorney” authorizing the attorney-in-fact to bind the surety and certified to include the date of the bond.

1.9 PERMITS

All anticipated Federal, State, and/or Local permits for this project have been obtained or will be obtained by the Owner prior to issuing the Notice to Proceed.

1.10 GEORGIA SECURITY AND IMMIGRATION COMPLIANCE ACT AFFIDAVIT

All qualifying Contractors and Subcontractors performing work with the Houston County Board of Commissioners must register and participate in the federal work authorization program commonly known as E-Verify, or any subsequent replacement program, to

verify the work eligibility information of new employees. **In order for a Proposal to be considered, it is mandatory that the Offeror's E-Verify number be listed on the outside of the Proposal envelope.**

1.11 EASEMENTS AND RIGHTS-OF-WAY

All easement and right-of-way for permanent installations have been obtained or will be obtained by the Owner prior to issuing the Notice to Proceed.

1.12 FUNDING

Any contract awarded under this Advertisement will be partially funded by the American Rescue Plan Act State Fiscal Recovery Fund Water and Sewer Infrastructure Award. Reference the ARPA-SFRF Conditions Supplement included in the contract documents for all applicable provisions.

1.13 RESERVATION OF RIGHTS

Owner reserves the right to reject any or all Proposals, including without limitation, the rights to reject any or all nonconforming, nonresponsive, unbalanced or conditional Proposals and to reject the Proposal of any Offeror if Owner believes that it would not be in the best interest of the Project to make an award to that Offeror, whether because the Proposal is not responsive or the Offeror is unqualified or of doubtful financial ability or fails to meet any other pertinent standard or criteria established by the Owner. Owner also reserves the right to issue change orders altering the original scope of work to address changes or unforeseen conditions necessary for the project completion.

HOUSTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

REPRESENTED BY: Mr. Dan Perdue
CHAIRMAN

END OF SECTION