ADVERTISMENT AND INVITATION TO BIDDERS

Electronic bids addressed to the Evadale WCID #1 will be received ON-LINE through CIVCASTUSA.COM; for furnishing all necessary materials, equipment, superintendence, and labor for the construction for TWDB DWSRF Project No. 62873 - Water System Improvements. Project consists of the installation of approximately 3,250 linear feet of 6" C-160 PVC (SDR-26) water line. approximately 1,562 linear feet of 4" C-160 PVC (SDR-26) water line, 100 linear feet of 8" C-160 PVC (DR-11) and approximately 72 linear feet of 12" HDPE casing (DR-17), until 2:00 PM., CST, on, January 9, 2024. Bids will, immediately thereafter, be opened on CIVCAST. Any bids received after closing time will NOT be ACCEPTED. Bids are invited for several items and quantity of work as follows; Each proposal shall be accompanied by a bid guarantee of not less than 5% of total bid amount, as a guarantee that the bidder will enter into a contract and execute the required bonds within ten days after notice of award. At the option of the bidder, the guarantee may be one of the following:

- a. Cashier's check or certified check upon a national or state bank, payable to **Evadale WCID**
- b. Negotiable U.S. Government bonds (at par value).
- c. Bid bond from a surety company listed in the latest issue of U.S. Treasury Circular 570. such bid bond being within the maximum amount specified for such company in that publication.

Bids without such guarantee will not be considered.

Award of this contract will be made on the basis of the lowest responsive responsible bid. The right is reserved as the interest of the Owner may require, to reject any or all bids, and to waive any informality in bids received. The successful bidder must furnish Performance Bond and Payment Bond on the forms provided in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the total contract price from a Surety or other Sureties acceptable to the Owner. Since state approval is required for award of contract, the Owner reserves the right to award the contract at any time within sixty (60) days after bid opening. Award of this contract is contingent upon funds being released by the Texas Water Development Board.

Pre-Bid Conference will NOT be held on this project. All questions shall be received through CIVCAST or in writing via email and addressed by Addendum. Questions will be received until 5:00 PM, CST, on January 4, 2024. Questions submitted after this time & date may not be answered.

Attention is called to the fact that not less than the federally determined prevailing (Davis-Bacon) wage rate as contained in the contract documents must be paid on this project. For additional information on Davis-Bacon Wage Rate Requirements and its applicability to this contract, please consult TWDB Guidance No. DB-0156. In addition, the successful bidder must ensure that employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of their race, color, religion, sex, or national origin. This contract is subject to the EPA established Minority Business Enterprise (MBE)/Women's Business Enterprise (WBE) "fair share" goals: MBE: Construction: 19.44%; Supplies: 25.34%; Services: 20.41%; Goods/Equipment: 16.28%

WBE: Construction: 9.17%; Supplies: 8.82 %; Services: 13.66%; Goods/Equipment: 11.45%

TWDB document TWDB-0210 describes the requirements of this program.

The prime contractor must submit the PRIME CONTRACTOR AFFIRMATIVE STEPS CERTIFICATION AND GOALS (TWDB-0217) with the bid to demonstrate the Prime Contractor's understanding and commitment to taking affirmative steps.

All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex (including pregnancy), sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, age (40 or older), disability, or genetic information. Bidders on this work will be required to comply with the Department of Labor regulations at 41 CFR Part 60-4, relating to Construction Contractors-Affirmative Action Requirements, which include the President's Executive Order No. 11246, as



amended by Executive Order No. 11375 and Executive Order No. 13672, in the award and administration of contracts awarded under TWDB financial assistance agreements. Failure by the Contractor to carry out these requirements is a material breach, which may result in the termination of the awarded financial assistance.

This contract is subject to the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program, which includes EPA-approved fair share goals toward procurement of Minority and Women-owned Business Enterprise (M/WBE) businesses. EPA rules require that applicants and prime contractors make a good faith effort to award a fair share of contracts, subcontracts, and procurements to M/WBEs through demonstration of the six affirmative steps. For more details of the DBE Program and the current, applicable fair share goals, please visit www.twdb.texas.gov/dbe.

Any contract or contracts awarded under this Notice to Bidders are expected to be funded in part by financial assistance from the TWDB. Neither the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) or the State of Texas, nor any of its departments, agencies, or employees, are or will be a party to this NTB, or any resulting contract.

This project is subject to the American Iron and Steel (AIS) requirements of 33 U.S.C§1388 for Clean Water State Revolving Fund projects or Public Law 114-113, Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2016, or subsequent appropriations acts, for Drinking Water State Revolving Fund projects. Any contract(s) awarded under this Notice to Bidders is/are subject to the American Iron and Steel (AIS) requirements of these laws.

The Contract Documents, Specifications, and Plans may be examined at the following location: A Complete set of the bidding documents are on file at www.civcastusa.com. There is no cost to view the plans, and printing can be done through the website. Sets of hard copies of bidding Documents will not be sold. Complete sets of bidding Documents shall be used in preparing Bids; neither Owner nor Engineer assumes any responsibility for errors or misinterpretations resulting from the use of incomplete sets of bidding Documents. Owner and Engineer, in making copies of Bidding Documents available on the above terms, do so only for the purpose of obtaining Bids for the Work and do not confer a license or grant for any other use. All questions concerning the project shall be routed thru the CivCast website. Also, plans can be viewed at Evadale WCID #1 and Schaumburg & Polk, Inc., 8865 College Street, Beaumont, Texas 77707.

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