ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS ERWIN UTILITIES AUTHORITY ERWIN, TENNESSEE

Separate sealed BIDS for the construction of Water System Improvements for the Erwin Utilities Authority, Erwin, Tennessee, will be received at 244 Love Street, Erwin, Tennessee, 37650, until 2:00 P.M. Eastern Time, Wednesday, February 12, 2025, at which time and place they will be publicly opened and read aloud. Bids being mailed for this work should be mailed to Lee H. Brown, President & CEO, Erwin Utilities Authority, Tennessee, P.O. 817, Erwin Tennessee 37650, and each bidder shall be responsible for their delivery by the above noted time.

The work is in one (1) Contract and consists of the following generally described work:

CONTRACT 23-01 SRF WATER LINE EXTENSIONS

- 1 Each 75 GPM Water Booster Station (Lower Higgins Creek)
- 1 Each 50 GPM Water Booster Station (Canah Hollow)
- 932 L.F. 2-inch SDR-17 Class 250 PVC Water Line, Open-cut
- 40 L.F. 2-inch Class HDD Bored DR 7.0 HDPE Water Line
- 3,063 L.F. 4-inch C900 DR-18, Class 235 PVC Water Line, Open-cut
- 3,612 L.F. 4-inch Class 350 DIP Water Line, Open-cut
- 120 L.F. 4-inch Class HDD Bored DR 7.0 HDPE Water Line
- 7,219 L.F. 6-inch Class 350 DIP Water Line, Open-cut
- 600 L.F. 6-inch Class 350 RJDIP Water Line, Open-cut
- 60 Each 3/4-inch Service Connections

The allotted time for construction of Contract 23-01 is 180 calendar days; liquidated damages for non-completion are \$1,000 per calendar day.

Pre-qualification information required herein shall be emailed to mattr@jrwauford.com on or before **5:00 p.m. Eastern Time**, **Friday**, **January 24**, **2025**. Prospective bidders are responsible for confirming receipt of pre-qualification information by calling 865-984-

9638. The prospective bidder shall provide evidence of general ability to perform similar

work in a timely manner by submitting the project name, scope of work, allowed and actual time of completion, and a contact person for three previous projects of this general

nature constructed within the past ten (10) years. Alternatively, the prospective bidder shall list previous, specific experience on projects completed for Erwin Utilities Authority in the past ten (10) years.

The CONTRACT DOCUMENTS may be examined at the following location:

J. R. Wauford & Company, Consulting Engineers, Inc., 908 West Broadway Avenue, Maryville, TN 37801

Complete digital project bidding documents are available at www.questcdn.com and/or www.questcdn.com and/or www.questcdn.com and documents for \$45.00 by inputting Quest project # 9477395 on the QuestCDN project search page. Please contact QuestCDN at 952-233-1632 or info@questcdn.com for assistance in free membership registration, downloading, and working with the digital project information. Inquiries should be directed to Matthew K. Rice, P.E., Project Manager, mattr@jrwauford.com, 865-984-9638.

FEDERAL AND STATE FUNDS

This project will be partially funded with funds from the Tennessee State Revolving Fund Loan Program, SRF Loan No. DWB22 2024-267; therefore, is subject to the Federal laws and regulations associated with these programs.

This project is being supported with American Rescue Plan Act, Coronavirus State, and

Local Recovery Fund grant funding; therefore, certain restrictions and other federal requirements attach to this opportunity.

DAVIS-BACON ACT, AMERICAN IRON AND STEEL, and BUILD AMERICA, BUY AMERICA REQUIREMENTS

This project is being funded by the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) or Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) and a State Revolving Fund Ioan. The Ioan recipient must be in compliance with all applicable BIL/IIJA mandated Davis-Bacon, American Iron and Steel, and Build America, Buy America requirements.

DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISES (DBE) REQUIREMENTS

Any contract or contracts awarded by the Owner through this invitation for bids will be funded by a State Revolving Fund (SRF) loan from the State of Tennessee. State and Federal funds will be involved in this project, and, as a result, Bidders must comply with the SRF Loan Program's Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE) requirements including contacting a minimum of 10 qualified DBE sub-contractors, professional service providers, vendors, and/or suppliers by certified mail to solicit bids. The apparent successful Bidder must submit to the Owner copies of the certified letters and return receipts prior to contract award. Neither the State of Tennessee nor any of its departments, agencies, or employees is or will be a party to this Invitation for Bids or any resulting contract(s) awarded by the Owner.

SPECIAL NOTICE TO DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISES (DBE) FIRMS

All qualified Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE) firms desiring to bid as a General Contractor, sub-contractor, professional service provider, supplier, or equipment vendor are encouraged to contact J. R. Wauford & Company, Consulting Engineers, Inc., 908 West Broadway Avenue, Maryville, Tennessee 37801, 865-984-9636 in order to obtain a list of prospective bidding General Contractors or to obtain copies of bidding/contract documents.

Each bidder must deposit with his bid, security in the amount, form and subject to the conditions provided in the Instructions for Bidders.

All bidders shall comply with all provisions of TCA 50-9-113 as it relates to Drug-Free Workplace requirements. The Contractor shall complete the Drug-Free Workplace Affidavit of the Prime Bidder form and submit it with his/her bid. The Contractor shall be responsible for any of its Subcontractor(s) compliance with said law.

All bidders shall comply with all provisions of Chapter 878 of TCA 12-4-1 as it relates to certification of compliance regarding illegal immigrants. The Contractor shall complete the Statement of Compliance Certificate Illegal Immigrants and submit it with his/her bid. The Contractor shall be responsible for any of its Subcontractor's compliance with said law.

All bidders shall comply with all provisions of Chapter 817 of TCA 12-12-106 as it relates to certification of compliance regarding the Iran Divestment Act. The Contractor shall complete the Statement of Compliance Certificate Iran Divestment Act and submit it with his/her bid. The Contractor shall be responsible for any of its Subcontractor's compliance with said law.

In compliance with TCA 12-4-126(a) and (b) the ENGINEER will not issue addenda less than forty-eight (48) hours before the bid opening date and time; further, any questions concerning the bid documents shall be received by the ENGINEER before ninety-six (96) hours prior to the bid opening date and time.

The successful bidder is required to furnish both an acceptable performance bond and payment bond each in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the contract price.

All bidders must be licensed general contractors as required by the Contractor's Licensing Act of 1976 of the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee and qualified for the type of construction being bid upon. EACH BIDDER SHALL WRITE ON THE OUTSIDE OF THE ENVELOPE CONTAINING THE BID THE CONTRACTOR'S LICENSE NUMBER, THE EXPIRATION DATE, AND THAT PART OF THE CLASSIFICATION APPLYING TO THIS BID. If this is not done, the bid will not be opened.

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Each bidder shall be properly licensed and abide by the provisions of TCA 62-6-119 including part (b) which states in part:

"(b) The person or entity involved in the preparation of the invitation to bid or comparable bid documents, including any electronic bid documents, shall direct that the following information be written upon the bid envelope or provided within the electronic bid document: (1) The name, license number, expiration date thereof, and license classification of the contractor applying to bid for the prime contract; (2) The name, license number, expiration date thereof, and license classification of the contractor applying to bid for the masonry contract where the total cost of the materials and labor for the masonry portion of the construction project exceeds one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000); (3) The name, license number, expiration date thereof, and license classification of the contractor applying to bid for the electrical, plumbing, heating, ventilation, or air conditioning contracts except when such contractor's portion of the construction project is less than twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000); (4) For each vertical closed loop geothermal heating and cooling project, the company name, Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation license number, classification (G, L or G,L) and the expiration date, except when the geothermal portion of the construction project is in an amount less than twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000); (5) Prime contractor bidders who are to perform the masonry portion of the construction project which exceeds one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000), materials and labor, the electrical, plumbing, heating, ventilation or air conditioning or the geothermal heating and cooling must be so designated; and (6) Only one (1) contractor in each of the classifications listed above shall be written on the bid envelope or provided within the electronic bid document."

The Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive informalities, and to negotiate with the apparent qualified best bidder or bidders to such extent as may be necessary.

No bidder may withdraw his bid for 90 days, while the Owner considers the bids. Mutually agreed upon time extensions may be made if necessary.

Attention of bidders is particularly called to the requirements as to conditions of employment to be observed and minimum wage rates to be paid under the contract, Section 3, Segregated Facility, Section 109 and E.O. 11246.

ERWIN UTILITIES AUTHORITY ERWIN, TENNESSEE

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