

SECTION 00100 INVITATION TO BID

Electronic or Sealed Bids for **SUNPLEX WATER TANK PAINTING** will be received at the office of the City Clerk at City Hall located at 1018 Porter Avenue, Ocean Springs, MS 39564, until 2:00 P.M. (local time) on Tuesday, March 27, 2018, at which time all bids will be publicly opened. Any bids received after the time and date specified will not be considered and will be returned unopened.

Contractors have the option of submitting their bids electronically through www.centrauctionhouse.com or sealed in an envelope and delivered to the City of Ocean Springs, Mississippi; marked "SEALED BID TO BE OPENED AT 2:00 P.M. (LOCAL TIME) ON TUESDAY, MARCH 27, 2018, FOR **"SUNPLEX WATER TANK"**" on the outside of the envelope.

All bid envelopes should contain the bidder's name and mailing address on the face of the envelope and also specify the name of the bid item. Bidder's certificate of responsibility number or a statement that the bid inside is less than \$50,000.00 shall appear on the outside or exterior of the envelope or container of such bids, failing which, said bid shall not be opened or considered.

The scope of this project is to paint the interior and exterior of the tank (excluding fluted column) including blasting to near white metal and all other surface preparations required in the specifications.

Project Manuals may be examined in the office of the City Clerk at City Hall located at 1018 Porter Avenue, Ocean Springs, Mississippi, at the office of the Design Engineer, Compton Engineering, Inc., 1706 Convent Avenue in Pascagoula, or online at www.comptonengineeringplans.com and www.centrauctionhouse.com. The bid documents are being made available online via original paper copy or compact disc upon payment of **\$125.00 per paper copy and \$50.00 per compact disc**. Cost includes shipping and handling for each set. The bid documents are non-refundable. Return of documents is not required. All plan holders are required to have a valid email address for online registration. For information regarding online orders for the purchase of original paper copies and the www.comptonengineeringplans.com website registration, please contact Plan House Printing at 228-248-0181. For information regarding this project, contact Compton Engineering's office at 228-762-3970 in Pascagoula, Mississippi.

When submitting an electronic bid, the bid must be submitted in "pdf" format and shall contain the same information and forms as required for the paper bids. Electronic bids must be secured with a bid bond. When submitting a bid electronically, the authorized signature shall be an electronic signature or handwritten in blue-ink signature. In the event that an electronically submitted bid has a corrupted attachment, the bid will be considered null and void. When bids are submitted electronically, the requirement for including a certificate of responsibility, or a statement that the bid enclosed does not exceed Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00), on the exterior of the bid envelope shall be deemed in compliance by including the same information as an attachment with the electronic bid submittal.

For an electronic bid, documents can be downloaded from Central Bidding or Plan House Printing. Electronic bids shall be submitted at www.centrauctionhouse.com. For any questions relating to the electronic bidding process, please call Central Bidding at 225-810-4814.

Each bid must be submitted on the prescribed form and accompanied by a certified check or bid bond executed on the prescribed form, payable to the City of Ocean Springs in an amount not less than five percent of the amount bid.

The successful bidder will be required to furnish the necessary additional bond(s) for the faithful performance of the Contract, as prescribed in the Contract Documents. All performance bonds, payment bonds and certificates of insurance shall be either executed by or countersigned by a licensed resident agent of the surety or insurance company having his place of business in the State of Mississippi and in all ways complying with the insurance laws of the State of Mississippi. Further, the said surety or insurance company shall be duly licensed and qualified to do business in the State of Mississippi.

In order to perform public work, the successful bidder shall, as applicable, hold or obtain such Contractor's and business licenses as required by state statutes including certification of responsibility required by Section 31-3-21 to have a current Certificate of Responsibility issued by the State Board of Public Contractors prior to bidding on the project.

Before a Contract will be awarded for the work contemplated herein, the Owner will conduct investigation as is necessary to determine the performance record and ability of the apparent lowest responsible, responsive, qualified bidder to perform the size and type of work specified under this Contract. Upon request, the bidder shall submit such information as deemed necessary by the Owner to evaluate the bidder's qualifications.

The right is reserved to reject all bids or any bid not conforming to the intent and purpose of the Contract Documents, and to postpone the award of the Contract for a period of time which, however, shall not extend beyond 90 days from the bid opening date.

Shelly Ferguson, City Clerk
City of Ocean Springs, Mississippi