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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed proposals for the construction of Sewer System Improvements will be received by the Town of Lula, at the Town Hall, 118 2nd Street, Lula, Mississippi 38644 until 11:00 a.m. local time on January 4, 2018, immediately thereafter will be opened and publicly read. A prebid conference will be held at the Town Hall, 118 2nd Street, Lula, Mississippi 38644 at 1:00 p.m. local time on December 13, 2017.

The work to be done consists generally of: Construction of approximately 130 feet of 8-inch gravity sewer (open cut), 380 feet of 4-inch gravity sewer line (open cut), 355 feet of 2-inch force main (bored), 350 feet of 2-inch force main (open cut), new pump station and abandoning of existing septic system and other related items.

Specifications may be obtained from Allen & Hoshall free of charge at <u>https://www.allenhoshallplanroom.com</u>. All contractors must register for an account on the website.

A copy of the Plans and Specifications may be examined at: the office of the Engineer, 713 South Pear Orchard Road, Suite 100, Ridgeland, Mississippi, at the Town Hall, Lula, Mississippi; at the Associated General Contractors Plan Room in Jackson, Mississippi; and at the ABC Plan Room in Jackson, Mississippi.

Each bid shall be accompanied by a Certified Check on a solvent bank or a Bidder's Bond issued by a Surety Company licensed to operate in the State of Mississippi, in the amount of 5% of the total bid price, as a guarantee that if the bid is accepted, the Bidder will enter into a contract and execute the Performance and Payment Bonds in the form and within the time specified.

The successful Bidder will be required to execute a Performance Bond and a Payment Bond, each in the amount of 100% of the Contract, issued by a Surety Company licensed to operate in the State and shall be named in the current list of "Companies Holding Certificates of Authority as Acceptable Sureties on Federal Bonds and as Acceptable Reinsuring Companies" as published in Circular 570 (amended) by the Audit Staff Bureau of Accounts, U.S. Treasury Department.

Each Bidder shall have a Certificate of Responsibility to bid on contracts for public projects in which the bid price exceeds \$50,000.00 and for private projects in which the bid price exceeds \$100,000.00 as required by the laws of the State of Mississippi. Each Bidder shall show on the outside of the envelope containing his bid: his current certificate of responsibility number and expiration date or if applicable, a statement certifying that the bid enclosed does not exceed \$50,000.00 for a public project or \$100,000.00 for a private project. Failure to show these items on the outside of the envelope containing the bid will result in the bid being returned to Bidder unopened.

No Bidder may withdraw his bid for a period of sixty (60) days after date of actual bid opening, without Owner's consent.

The Town of Lula reserves the right to reject any or all proposals received, to waive any informalities in the bids received, and to accept any proposal which is deemed most favorable to the Town of Lula.

The Town of Lula hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively insure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, minority business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in consideration for an award.

Attention is called to the fact that not less than the minimum salaries and wages set forth in the contract documents must be paid on this project, and that the Contractor must ensure that employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of their race, color, religion, sex, or nation origin. All bidders will abide by the Federal Housing and Urban Development's Section 3 Regulations (24 CFR 135).

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Funding for the project is through the Community Development Block Grant Program. All bidders shall conform to the CDBG, HUD, and other federal and state requirements stipulated for this program.

The project will adhere to Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (The Federal Fair Housing Act) and the Fair Housing Amendment, Act of 1988.

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