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Mississippi Development Authority
P O Box 849
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Re: Benton County/Shady Grove Water Improvements
CDBG 1133-16-005-PF-01

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is a copy of the request for bids for the construction of water improvements in connection with a Community Development Block Grant for Benton County, MS.

If you have any questions, please contact this office at (662) 728-6248.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to read "Wanda Christian". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Wanda Christian
Economic Development Coordinator

Enclosures

INVITATION FOR BIDS

DHUD FORMAT 4238-A

Separate sealed bids for the construction of **SHADY GROVE WATER ASSOCIATION WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS, CDBG NO. 1133-16-005-PF-01** will be received by the **BENTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS** at their **BOARD ROOM** located at, **190 RIPLEY AVENUE, ASHLAND, MS 38603** until the **18TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2017 at 9:00 A.M.** local time, at which time all Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

The project consists of: Approximately 31,000 feet of 4" Waterline and necessary appurtenances including approximately 15,000 of service line and 28 residential connections.

Each bid must be submitted in a sealed envelope addressed to the **BENTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS** marked on the outside as **"BID FOR SHADY GROVE WATER ASSOCIATION WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS."** Any bid for a sum in excess of \$50,000.00 shall contain on the outside or exterior of the envelope of such bid the contractor's current certificate of responsibility number, and no bid shall be opened or considered unless such contractor's current certificate number appears on the outside or exterior of the envelope or unless there appears a statement on the outside or exterior of such envelope to the effect that the bid enclosed does not exceed \$50,000.00.

Contract Documents, including Drawings and Specifications, are on file at the **BENTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS BOARD ROOM, 190 RIPLEY AVENUE, ASHLAND, MS 38603** and at the Office of Cook Coggin Engineers, Inc., 703 Crossover Road, Tupelo, Mississippi 38801.

Registering for a free account at www.cceplanroom.com will enable bidders to view and/or order Contract Documents online. The only requirement for account registration is a valid email address. Questions regarding website registration and online orders shall be directed to Plan House Printing at (662) 407-0193.

Contract Documents are issued to potential Bidders only as paper copies from Plan House Printing and Graphics, 607 West Main Street, Tupelo, MS 38804. The non-refundable cost of the Bid Documents is \$200.00. Bidders may opt to purchase Contract Documents online at www.cceplanroom.com. All payments for Bid Documents shall be made payable to Plan House Printing and Graphics, 607 West Main Street, Tupelo, MS 38804.

Bids will be accepted only under the name of the Bidder to whom contract documents have been issued by Plan House Printing, on behalf of the Engineer, and whose name appears on the official list of Planholders maintained by Plan House Printing.

A certified check or bank draft, payable to the order of the **"BENTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS"** negotiable U.S. Government bonds (at par value), or a satisfactory Bid Bond executed by the Bidder and an accepted Surety, in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the total of the Bid shall be submitted with each bid. The successful bidder will be required to furnish a Payment Bond and Performance Bond each in the amount of 100 percent of the contract amount.

This project is financed by a Community Development Block Grant and is subject to the rules and regulations thereof.

The successful bidder must comply with Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 (12 U.S.C. 1701u). CDBG regulations governing the grant require that, to the greatest extent feasible opportunities for contracting, subcontracting, training and employment arising in connection with this CDBG project will be extended to Section 3 businesses and Section 3 residents.

Minority and Woman Owned Business Enterprises are solicited to bid on this contract as prime contractors and are encouraged to make inquiries regarding potential subcontracting opportunities, equipment, material and/or supply needs.

The **BENTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS** is an Equal Opportunity Employer, and hereby notifies all Bidders will be afforded the full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, sexual preference, marital or veteran status, or any other legally protected status in consideration for an award.

The successful bidder must comply with the Davis-Bacon Act which requires that all laborers and mechanics shall be paid at rates not less than those determined by the Department of Labor to be prevailing for the locality in which the project is located.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to waive any informality in the best interest of the Owner.

Bids may be held by the Owner for a period not to exceed 90 days from the date of the opening of Bids for the purpose of reviewing the bids and investigating the qualifications of Bidders, prior to awarding of the Contract.

Ricky Pipkin, President, Benton County Board of Supervisors

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