

INVITATION FOR BIDS

DHUD FORMAT 4238-A

Separate and sealed bids for the construction of **NEW ALBANY LIGHT, GAS & WATER, GAS SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT & EXPANSION, CDBG NO. 1133-16-274-PF-01** will be received by the **CITY OF NEW ALBANY** located at **101 W. BANKHEAD STREET, NEW ALBANY, MS 38652**, until **10:00 A.M. LOCAL TIME ON THURSDAY, AUGUST 24TH, 2017** at which times all Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

A Pre-Bid Conference to discuss the plans, specifications and contract requirements will be held at **10:00 A.M. LOCAL TIME, TUESDAY, AUGUST 15TH, 2017** at **COOK COGGIN ENGINEERS, INC., 300 HIGHWAY 15 SOUTH, NEW ALBANY, MS 38652**. The Pre-Bid Conference is not mandatory, but contractors and suppliers are encouraged to attend.

The Project consists of the following approximate quantities:

4" Steel Natural Gas Main	230	LF
4" PE 3408 Natural Gas Main	76,000	LF
2" PE 3408 Natural Gas Main	35,000	LF
3/4" PE Service Taps	230	Ea
3/4" Meter Risers	230	Ea
3/4" PE Gas Service Line	46,000	LF

CONSTRUCTION MUST BE STARTED BEFORE OCTOBER 1, 2017.

Each bid must be submitted in a sealed envelope addressed to the **CITY OF NEW ALBANY**, marked on the outside as **"NEW ALBANY LIGHT, GAS & WATER GAS SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT & EXPANSION, CDBG NO. 1133-16-274-PF-01"**. 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.

The Contract Documents, including Drawings and Specifications are on file at the: **CITY OF NEW ALBANY, 101 WEST BANKHEAD STREET, NEW ALBANY, MS 38652** and 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 \$250.00. 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 **"CITY OF NEW ALBANY"** 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.

The successful bidder must have his own Gas Operator Qualification Program and related employee records, as required by the Code of Federal Regulations for Gas Pipeline Safety.

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 **CITY OF NEW ALBANY** 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.

This is the 20th day of July, 2017.

MAYOR TIM KENT
CITY OF NEW ALBANY, MISSISSIPPI

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