**ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS**

Sealed bids for the construction of WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS – PHASE I, CITY OF RIPLEY, MS. Bids will be received by the City of Ripley, 500 South Main St, Ripley, MS 38663, until 10:00 a.m., May 12th, 2016 and then at said office publicly opened and read aloud.

Contract Documents, including Drawings and Specifications, may be examined at the office of Engineering Solutions, Inc., located at 100 West Reynolds Street, Pontotoc, Mississippi; Ward Engineering, located at 1713A City Ave. North, Ripley, Mississippi, and also can be viewed and/or purchased at Engineering Solutions, Inc. plan room at [www.esiplans.com](http://www.esiplans.com).

The work shall consist of: Construction on Wastewater Treatment Facility Improvements.

Each bid submitted must be marked on the outside “**Bid for: WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS – PHASE I, City of Ripley, MS, ARC PROJECT #MS-18208**”. Any bid in excess of $50,000 must contain on the outside of the envelope the contractor’s current certificate of responsibility number, and no bid shall be opened or considered unless this number appears on the outside of the envelope or unless a statement is included on the outside of the envelope indicating that the bid enclosed does not exceed $50,000.

A satisfactory Bid Bond executed by the Bidder or an accepted Surety, a certified check, or bank draft payable to the city of RIPLEY, on negotiable U.S. Government Bonds (at par value), shall be submitted with each bid in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the total bid.

Bidders are directed to the contract requirement that not less than the minimum wages and salaries set forth in the Contract Documents must be paid on this project, in accordance with the Davis-Bacon and Related Acts. In addition, the Contractor must ensure that employment and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of their race, color, religion, sex or natural origin.

Bids may be held up to 60 days from the date of opening for review of bids and qualifications of bidders prior to Contract award. The Board of Aldermen reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to waive any informality in the bidding.

This project is being funded in part by the Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) Grant Program and the Small Municipalities and Limited Populations Counties (SMLPC) Grant Program and is subject to the rules and regulations thereof.

**A Pre-Bid Meeting is scheduled for April 28th, at 10:00 a.m. The meeting will be held at City Hall in Ripley at the address provided above. Anyone interested in bidding the Project are encouraged to have a representative present.**

Chris Marsalis, Mayor

Advertisement Dates:

April 13, 2016

April 20, 2016