

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

**DESOTO COUNTY REGIONAL
UTILITY AUTHORITY
(OWNER)**

**365 LOSHER STREET SUITE 310
HERNANDO, MISSISSIPPI 38632
(ADDRESS)**

Notice is hereby given that separate Sealed Bids for the Construction of the **SHORT FORK WWTF EFFLUENT OUTFALL RELOCATION** will be received by the Desoto County Regional Utility Authority (DCRUA) herein called the "Owner" at the DCRUA office until 10:00 AM local time on the 12th day of JUNE, 2015.

Bids will be immediately opened and read aloud publicly following the close of the bid period. Any bid received following the close of the bidding period shall be returned unopened. Bid proposals may be modified or withdrawn at any time prior to the time set for opening bids.

A general description of work items included in the Project:

1. Construction of approximately 6,500 LF of 36-inch diameter force main
2. WWTF effluent pumping station modifications
3. Related appurtenances

Pre-Bid Conference

A Pre-Bid Conference will be conducted on the 28th day of MAY, 2015 at 10:00 AM. local time at the DCRUA Office listed herein. Attendance by a Principal or Project Manager of any prospective Bidders is recommended.

Examination and Purchase of Documents

The Plans, Specifications and Contract Documents may be examined at the following locations:

1. **Desoto County Regional Utility Authority** 365 Losher Street Suite 310, Hernando, MS 38632
2. **EAI/WEI LLC** 2001 Airport Road, Suite 201, Flowood, MS 39232 (Call 601-956-3663)

Printed copies of the Plans, Specifications and Contract Documents may be obtained at the office of EAI/WEI, LLC listed above upon payment of **One Hundred Twenty-Five and 00/100 Dollars (\$125.00)** for each printed set, none of which is refundable.

Additional information and assistance regarding this bid opportunity, the MS Procurement Technical Assistance Program, and local contract procurement center may be found at www.msipc.com

Minority and women's business enterprises are solicited to bid on this contract as prime contractors and are encouraged to make inquiries regarding potential subcontracting opportunities and equipment, material and/or supply needs.

Any contract or contracts awarded under this invitation for bids are expected to be funded in whole or in part by anticipated funds from the Water Pollution Control Revolving Loan Fund (WPCRLF) loan program from the State of Mississippi. Neither the State of Mississippi, the Commission on Environmental Quality, nor any of their employees is or will be a party in this invitation for bids or any resulting or related contracts. This procurement will be subject to all applicable sections of the Mississippi Code of 1972, Annotated.

Questions Regarding Bid Process or Bid Documents

Bidder should direct questions regarding distribution or design of the Project to **Gregory A. Brown, PE** of EAI/WEI, LLC. Written questions may be submitted by mail to the address shown above; or by e-mail to gbrown@pickeringfirm.com; or by FAX at (601) 956-7817. All questions must be submitted by 5:00 pm on 5 June 2015

Bid Award

Awards, if made, will be made from the lowest and best Bid and the Bid most advantageous to the Desoto County Regional Utility Authority. The Desoto County Regional Utility Authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all Bids or parts of Bids, to waive any informalities, technicalities, or omissions therein. The Desoto County Regional Utility Authority also reserves the right to reject bids from bidders that have pending litigation or claims with the Authority or that have pending or past litigation claims with which the Authority is or has been involved as a third party, or if such bid includes a proposed subcontractor or supplier that has pending litigation or claims with the Authority or that have pending or past litigation claims with which the Authority is or has been involved as a third party, if the Authority determines, in its sole discretion, such litigation or claims may adversely affect the ability of the parties to work efficiently and effectively under this contract, or for any other reason as determined by the Authority. Any such bid will be returned to the bidder. No bid may be withdrawn until the expiration of Sixty (60) days from the date bids are opened.

BY ORDER OF THE DESOTO COUNTY REGIONAL UTILITY AUTHORITY ON THE 18th DAY OF MARCH, 2015.

DESOTO COUNTY REGIONAL UTILITY AUTHORITY

BY:



William H. Austin, Jr., Executive Director

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Furnish proof of publication and send invoice to the Desoto County Regional Utility Authority,