

SECTION 00011

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

PURSUANT to the Order of the Board of Commissioners of the Tunica County Utility District of Tunica County, Mississippi, Notice is hereby given that said Board will receive sealed bids until 9:00 o'clock AM, Local Time on Tuesday, April 19, 2016 in the Board Room of the Lowe Place Building, 987 Harris Street, Tunica, Tunica County, Mississippi, (directly across the street to the west of the Tunica County Courthouse) for the following project:

Rehabilitation of Existing Elevated Water Storage Tanks
DWI-L720024-01

All proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud shortly thereafter.

The Work in this project consists generally of cleaning, sandblasting, painting and minor repairs to two 500,000 gallon tanks and related items.

All documents required for bidding purposes, including plans and specifications, may be obtained from:

RiverBend of Mississippi, Inc.,
PO Box 2189,
987 Harris Street,
Tunica, Mississippi 38676
(Telephone 662-357-6886 and Facsimile 662-357-6889)

for a cost of \$100.00 per set, which is non-refundable.

A copy of the plans and specifications may be examined at:

- Tunica County Chancery Clerk's office located in the Tunica County Courthouse;
- The offices of RiverBend of Mississippi located at 987 Harris Street, Tunica, Mississippi.
- Associated General Contractors Plan Room, Jackson, Mississippi;
- Associated Builders and Contractors Plan Room, Jackson, Mississippi.
- McGraw Hill Construction/Dodge, Birmingham, Alabama
- MSDH/DWSRF 570 E. Woodrow Wilson, Jackson, MS
(Call James Gammill 601-576-7400)

The BID SCHEDULE may be examined at the following locations:

- MS Minority Business Enterprise Division,
MS Development Authority,
P.O. Box 849, Jackson, MS 39205-0849,
Attn: Joycie Lenoir (601-359-2904);
- MS Contract Procurement Center (Main Office),
1636 Popp's Ferry Road,
Suite 229, Biloxi, MS 39532,
Attn: Marcia MacDowell
(228-396-1288 / f. 228-396-2520);
- MS Contract Procurement Center (Delta Office),
P.O. Box 1179,
Greenville, MS 38702, Attn: H. L. Woodyard
(662-334-1518 / f. 662-334-1598);

- Mississippi Minority Business Enterprise Center,
2318 Pass Road,
Suite 4,
Biloxi, MS 39531 (228-896-6868).

Each bid shall be accompanied by a Certified Check on a solvent bank or a Bidder's Bid Bond issued by a Surety Company licensed to operate in the State of Mississippi, in the amount of five percent (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 percent of the Contract, issued by a Surety Company licensed to operate in the State of Mississippi.

Each Bidder shall have a Certificate of Responsibility as required by the laws of the State of Mississippi 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. 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 for a private project; his name; and the name of the Contract for which the bid is submitted. Failure to show these items on the outside of the envelope containing the bid will result in the bid being returned to the Bidder unopened. Public funds are involved in this project.

No Bidder may withdraw his bid for a period of ninety (90) days after date of actual bid opening, without Owner's consent.

The Tunica County Utility District reserves the right to reject any or all bids received; to waive any informalities or irregularities in the bids received; and to accept any bids that are deemed most favorable to the Tunica County Utility District.

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, equipment, material and/or supply needs.

This contract is funded in whole or in part by funds from the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2014 (H.R. 3547); therefore, this project must comply with the buy American Requirements of the Act.

Each Bidder's attention is called to Section 31-3-21 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended. This provides in part as follows: "When a nonresident contractor submits a bid for a public project, he shall attach thereto a copy of his resident state's current law pertaining to such state's treatment of nonresident contractors." Failure to provide this information may be cause for rejection of the Bid.

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 Drinking Water Systems Improvements Revolving Loan Fund (DWSIRLF) Loan Program from the State of Mississippi. Neither the State of Mississippi, the Local Governments and Rural Water Systems Improvements Board, nor any of their employees is or will be a party to 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, as they apply to local governments, in accordance with Appendix D of the DWSIRLF Program Regulations.

/s/ _____
Rechelle R. Siggers Secretary
Tunica County Utility District

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