ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDDERS

Sealed bids will be received by the <u>Cherokee County Water & Sewerage Authority</u>, herein referred to as the Owner, at the Authority Board Room office of the Cherokee County Water and Sewerage Authority located at 110 Railroad Street, Canton, Georgia, 30114 until:

Wednesday April 10, 2019, 10:00 A.M., Local Time

for the furnishing of all materials, labor, tools, skills, equipment and incidentals necessary for the construction of:

Fitzgerald Creek WRF Dewatering Building Expansion

at which time and place the bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. Bids received after the designated time will not be considered.

The principal items of construction are the following:

The addition of a dewatering room, modifications to the existing dewatering building, equipment relocation, new liquid polymer make-up system, new dewatering belt filter press including civil site, electrical and instrumentation improvements.

Bidders shall inform themselves concerning Georgia Law and comply with same.

Plans, specifications and contract documents are open to public inspection at both the main office of the Cherokee County Water and Sewerage Authority located at 110 Railroad Street, Canton, Georgia, 30114, and the office of ATKINS North America located at 1600 RiverEdge Parkway, Suite 700, Atlanta, Georgia, 30328. One contract will be awarded covering all the work. Final completion shall not exceed 300 consecutive calendar days. Maximum time for substantial completion shall be 270 calendar days, which shall include the complete installation and commissioning of equipment and completion of the building addition.

Plans and contract documents may be obtained by bidders from ATKINS North America located at 1600 RiverEdge Parkway, Suite 700, Atlanta, Georgia, 30328, upon payment of \$250.00. No Refund. The check or money order shall be made payable to **Atkins North America**. A street address must also be provided to ensure prompt delivery. Only a bid submitted by a Contractor on record with the Design Engineer as having received plans and specifications from the Design Engineer will be opened.

Each bid must be accompanied by a cashier's check or certified check on a duly organized bank made payable to Cherokee County Water and Sewerage Authority or a bidding bond executed by the bidder, and a surety company authorized to transact business in the State of Georgia, in the sum of not less than five percent (5%) of the total amount of the bid.

All bids must be made out on the bid form furnished with the contract documents, in accordance with the instructions in the information for bidders. No interlineations,

additions or deletions shall be made in the bid form by the Bidder. The successful bidder will be furnished, free of charge, four (4) sets of plans and contract documents.

No bid may be withdrawn after the scheduled closing time for receiving bids for a period of one hundred twenty (120) days.

These bid documents include a Contractor Qualification Statement and Questionnaire. Contractors must meet minimum qualifications for this construction project. In addition, any subcontractor performing more than 20 percent of the work must also meet minimum qualifications for this project. The Contractor's Qualification Statement and Questionnaire and the Subcontractor's Qualification Statement and Questionnaire, all of which <u>must be fully completed and submitted with the bid</u>, will be used by the Owner and the Engineer to evaluate the apparent low bidder's submittal.

The apparent low bidder must demonstrate the following:

- i. Demonstrate the ability to obtain insurance coverage via an Insurance Company authorized to transact business in Georgia rated "A" or better by AM Best.
- ii. Demonstrate ability of obtain Workers Compensation of Statutory Limits together with Employer's Liability of at least \$500,000 per accident or claim.
- iii. Demonstrate the ability to obtain General Liability Insurance in the amount of \$2,000,000 general aggregate.
- iv. Demonstrate compliance with "Georgia Security and Immigration Compliance Act".
- v. Demonstrate your qualifications to perform the service to be bid upon by providing at least five (5) owner or engineer of record references of similar projects completed on time and on budget within the last five (5) years. Each reference shall include a description of the project, the project budget, contact information of the owner (including address, contact name, current phone number and e-mail) and date project completed. (CCWSA references are acceptable.) For purposes here of similar services shall mean similar in cost, scope, duration, location, type of service, unique job requirements.
- vi. Provide a detailed listing of litigation, arbitration and other administrative proceedings in the last 5 years.
- vii. Provide a list of subcontractors the bidder intends to utilize on the project.
- viii. Provide credit history for the previous 3 years.
- ix. Demonstrate the appropriate licensure for the project to be bid upon.
- x. Possess a license to conduct business in the State of Georgia.

Failure to demonstrate the ability to meet the minimum requirements will result in disqualification and rejection of said bid with next lowest bid selected for evaluation. The disqualified Contractor may discuss with the Owner the reasons for the disqualification, but the decision of the Owner is final.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all Bids, to waive formalities, re-advertise, and to reduce or add to the contract from time to time.

Any questions or comments concerning this Request for Bids should be addressed in writing to Atkins, c/o Mr. Hector Casablanca at the address as set forth hereinabove. All questions must be submitted by <u>Monday</u>, <u>March 25th</u>, 2019 by 2:00 PM. For Owner directed questions contact Cherokee Water & Sewerage Authority, Attention Corey Chorley by email at <u>coreyghorley@ccwsa.com</u>.

The successful bidder will be required to furnish performance and payment bonds with the executed Agreement meeting the requirements of the Contract Documents and executed on the forms included in these specifications. The terms and time for payment are set forth in the Agreement.

Each bidder agrees to waive any claim it has or may have against the Owner, the Engineer, and their respective employees, arising out of or in conjunction with the administration, evaluation, or recommendation for award of any bid. The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids; to waive formalities; re-advertise; and to reduce or add to the contract from time to time.

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Tom Heard, General Manager

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