The Agua Special Utility District (the Owner) has been constructing a new wastewater collection system to provide first-time service to the City of Palmview. This project consists of connecting the residential and multi-family dwellings to the new wastewater collection system. The scope of work includes furnishing and installing 4-inch and 6-inch sanitary sewer yard line connections, which will require: disconnecting pumping, disposing of spoil material (at approved TCEQ disposal site) and decommissioning existing septic tanks and/or cesspools; connecting SDR 35 PVC to existing sanitary sewer and grey water pipes exiting the home within the residential and multi-family dwellings as required by the Plumbing Code and TCEQ; and landscaping and/or other surface media repairs.

The project is partially financed by the North American Development Bank (NADB) through its Border Environment Infrastructure Fund (BEIF) and by the Texas Water Development Board, both of which receive support from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). EPA-funded or assisted projects must comply with certain federal cross-cutting public policy requirements. In this case, the Davis Bacon Act and the opportunity for small, minority and women-owned businesses participation through EPA's Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program will apply. Bidding for contracts to be financed with the proceeds of a NADB grant are open to firms from any eligible country.

PROJECT: Agua Special Utility District – Palmview Yard Line Connection Project.


TIME: 3:00 P.M. (CDT).

The Agua Special Utility District will receive sealed bids for the Palmview Yard Line Connection Project until 3:00 p.m. (CDT) on Wednesday, April 27, 2020, which must be addressed to Mr. Jose Eddie Saenz, General Manager at the Agua Special Utility District Office located at 3120 North Abram Road Palmview, TX 78572.

The bids will be publicly opened and read aloud as near as practical after 3:00 p.m. on the date of submittal at the Agua Special Utility District and shown publicly via videoconference. Bids received after closing time will be returned unopened.

Bid/Contract Documents, including Drawings and Technical Specifications will be available electronically by request to the Project Engineer/Construction Manager at milo@m2-engineers.com and/or may be downloaded at the Agua Special Utility District website at https://www.aguasud.org. A hard copy of the bid documents may be purchased by bidders upon receipt of a non-refundable cashier’s check, certified check, money order, company check, or personal check in the amount of $150.00 for each set, made payable to M2 Engineering, PLLC at 1810 E. Griffin Parkway, Mission, Texas 78572. The $150.00 cost includes the Project Manual and construction drawings and can be mailed.

A MANDATORY pre-bid conference will be conducted by the Agua Special Utility District on Tuesday, April 14, 2020 at 3:00 PM (CDT). The pre-bid conference is MANDATORY and shall be conducted via videoconference with interested bidders attending via computer, tablet or smartphone at the following link: https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/114128453 or via dial-in using your phone at +1 (224) 501-3412 with access code: 114-128-453. The Pre-Bid Meeting is MANDATORY, and the videoconference will keep a list of attendees (prospective bidders).
A bid bond in the amount of 5 percent of the bid issued by an acceptable surety shall be submitted with each bid. A certified check or bank draft payable to the Agua Special Utility District or negotiable U.S. Government Bonds (at par value) may be submitted in lieu of the Bid Bond.

Any contract or contracts awarded under this invitation for bids will be funded by NADB. Neither the State of Texas nor any of its departments, agencies, or employees are or will be a party to this invitation for bids or any resulting contract.

Since the funding for this project is administered by NADB, the bid process will be carried out in accordance with its procurement policies and procedures. Companies that have been previously penalized by NADB and/or had contracts cancelled by the Agua Special Utility District, are not eligible.

This contract is subject to the requirements of the Davis Bacon Wage Act and all reporting requirements. Wages paid on this project will be governed by the Department of Labor (DOL) Wage General Decision or Decisions included within the bid documents for this project. The contract will also be subject to monitoring and reporting requirements described in the bid documents.

Small, Minority and Female owned firms are encouraged to submit bids for this project.

Equal Opportunity in Employment – All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, age, handicap or national origin. Bidders on this work will be required to comply with the President’s Executive Order No. 11246, as amended by Executive Order 11275, and as supplemented in Department of Labor regulations 41 CFR Part 60.

The Agua Special Utility District is an Affirmative Action and Equal Opportunity Employer.

The Agua Special Utility District reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to waive any informality in the bidding. In case of ambiguity or lack of clearness in stating prices in any bid, the Owner reserves the right to consider the most advantageous construction thereof or to reject the bid. The contract will be awarded to the highest ranked, responsive bidder with the lowest evaluated bid.

Bids may be held by the Agua Special Utility District for a period not to exceed 60 days from the date of the bid opening for the purpose of reviewing the bids and investigating the bidder’s qualifications prior to the contract award.

Contractors/subcontractors that have been debarred, suspended or otherwise excluded from or are ineligible for participation in federal assistance programs may not undertake any activity in part or in full under this project.

The Contract is contingent upon release of funds from the NADB.

Agua Special Utility District
Jose E. “Eddie” Saenz, PE, General Manager

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