

BOROUGH OF HOPATCONG  
SUSSEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
HUDSON AVENUE SEWER EXTENSION PROJECT

**NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

NOTICE is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the Borough of Hopatcong (hereinafter called the "Owner") for:

BOROUGH OF HOPATCONG  
HUDSON AVENUE SEWER EXTENSION PROJECT

Sealed Bids for the above named Contract, which comprises the installation of new sanitary sewers within the Borough of Hopatcong, Sussex County, New Jersey ("Owner"), will be received at the Borough of Hopatcong, 111 River Styx Road, Hopatcong, New Jersey 07843 on Thursday, September 24, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. prevailing time, at which time they will be publicly unsealed and the contents publicly announced.

The work includes the furnishing of all labor, materials and equipment necessary to complete the work as shown on the Drawings and as described in the Specifications. The work consists of the extension of approximately 2,300 linear feet of low-pressure PVC sewer mains to the existing Borough sanitary sewer system. The work is located along Hudson Avenue within the Borough of Hopatcong and includes site work and general construction. The work shall be completed within 180 calendar days of the Contractor's receipt of written Notice to Proceed.

No bid will be received unless in writing on the forms furnished, and unless accompanied by bid security in the form of a bid bond, cashier's check, or a certified check made payable to the Borough of Hopatcong in an amount equal to 10% of the amount of the total bid, but not exceeding \$20,000.

The bid shall be accompanied by a Certificate of Surety on the form included in the Contract Documents, from a surety company licensed to do business in the State of New Jersey, which shall represent that the surety company will provide the Contractor with the required bonds in the sums required in the Contract Documents and in a form satisfactory to the Owner's Attorney and in compliance with the requirements of law.

Bidders must use the prepared bid form which is contained in the Contract Documents. Each individual proposal must be separately enclosed in a sealed envelope addressed to the Borough Administrator, 111 River Styx Road, Hopatcong, New Jersey 07843 marked on the outside with the number of the contract(s) and name of the project being bid on.

No bids will be received after the time and date specified, and no bids will be received by mail. Bids shall be received by courier service (date and time recorded) or shall be hand delivered. The Owner shall award the Contract or reject all bids within 60 days of bid opening, except that the bids of any bidders who consent thereto may, at the request of the Owner, be held for consideration for such longer period as may be agreed.

The Owner will evaluate bids and any award will be made to the lowest, responsive, responsible bidder in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4. The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive minor informalities or irregularities in bids received in accordance with public law.

The qualification and reclassification of bidders will be subject to the statutory provisions contained in N.J.S.A. 40A:11-25 to 32 ("Local Public Contract Law").

All bid security except the security of the three apparent lowest responsible bidders shall be returned, unless otherwise requested by the bidder, within ten (10) days after the opening of the bids, Sundays

and holidays excepted, and the bids of the bidders whose bid security is returned shall be considered withdrawn.

Each bidder must submit with his bid a signed certificate stating that he owns, leases or controls all the necessary equipment required to accomplish the work shown and described in the Contract Documents. Should the bidder not be the actual owner or leasee of such equipment, his certificate shall state the source from which the equipment will be obtained and, in addition, shall be accompanied by a signed certificate from the owner or person in control of the equipment definitely granting to the bidder the control of the equipment required during such time as may be necessary for the completion of that portion of the Contract for which it is necessary. The bidder shall comply with the documentation requirements set forth in the Article of the Information for Bidders, entitled, "Bidder Submissions".

The successful bidder will be required to submit bonds and proof of insurance on or before execution of their respective Contracts as explained in the Contract Documents.

Bidders are required to comply with all relevant Federal and State Statutes, Rules and Regulations including but not limited to the applicable provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended (42 USC 2000d-2000D-4A), the discrimination and affirmative action provisions of N.J.S.A. 10:2-1 through 10:2-4, the New Jersey Law against Discrimination, N.J.S.A. 10:5-1, et seq., the rules and regulations promulgated pursuant thereto, the

State requirement for bidders to supply statements of ownership (N.J.S.A. 52:25-24.2) and the State requirement for submission of the names and addresses of certain subcontractors (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-16).

The Contract Documents may be examined and obtained at the at the Borough of Hopatcong, 111 River Styx Road, Hopatcong, New Jersey 07843, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:45 p.m. The Contract Documents may be purchased by prospective bidder upon payment of a fee of fifty dollars (\$50.00) for each set of drawings with specifications. Payment must be made by business check and shall be made out to Borough of Hopatcong. If requested by a prospective bidder, one complete set of the Contract Documents will be sent as follows:

- By overnight courier (US Postal Service, FedEx, UPS, Airborne Express, etc.) upon receipt of the cost of the Contract Documents plus fifty dollars (\$50.00) for handling and the bidder's bill-to account number;
- or
- By overnight courier (US Postal Service, FedEx, UPS, Airborne Express, etc.) upon receipt of the cost of Contract Documents plus seventy-five dollars (\$75.00) for shipping and handling.

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., bidders are required to comply with the requirements of N.J.A.C. 17:27.

Each Bidder must submit with his bid an "Ownership Disclosure Statement" and is requested to submit with his bid the "Non-Collusion Affidavit" on the forms included in the Contract Documents.

Bidders and their subcontractors of any tier must comply with all applicable provisions of the Public Works Contractor Registration Act (N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.48) and the New Jersey Prevailing Wage Act (N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.25).

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:32-44, all business organizations that conduct business with a New Jersey government agency are required to be registered with the State of New Jersey. Bidders and their subcontractors must submit proof that they are registered with the New Jersey Department of

Treasury, Division of Revenue by submitting a copy of their Business Registration Certificate prior to Contract award.

The Contract is expected to be funded in part with the funds from the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and the New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust. Neither the United States nor the State of New Jersey, the New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust, nor any of their departments, agencies, or employees is, or will be, a party to the Contract or any lower tier contract or subcontract. The Contract or Subcontract will be subject to regulations contained in N.J.A.C. 7:22-3.1 et seq., 4.1 et seq., 5.1 et seq., 9.1 et seq. and 10 et seq., Local Public Contract, Department of Labor Current Wage Rate Determination, Prevailing Wage Act, Contract Work Hours and Safety Standard Act, Copland Act, Davis Bacon Act, Buy American Clause, Debarment and Suspension, and Socially and Economically Disadvantaged (SED) (N.J.A.C. 7:22-9).

All bids shall include a commitment to the use of small, minority, women's and labor surplus area businesses and shall be in conformity with N.J.A.C. 7:22-3.17(a) (24) with a goal of not less than 10% participation of small business enterprises owned and controlled by socially and economically disadvantaged individuals (SED's). Further details regarding required SED participation are included in the Information for Bidders and the Supplemental General Conditions.

In accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 58:11B-26, N.J.A.C. 7:222-3.17(a)24 and 4.17(a)24, the contractor (subcontractor) shall comply with all provisions of N.J.A.C. 7:22-9.

All applicable surety bonds required in connection with the advertisement and award of building contracts or sub agreements must be written by a surety company listed on the Federal Treasury list (Department Circular 570 – Surety Companies Acceptable on Federal Bonds), incorporated herein by reference. Copies of this document may be obtained from the Department.

It is the purpose of this Notice to Bidders to summarize some of the more important provisions of the Contract Documents. Prospective bidders are cautioned not to rely solely on this summary, but to read the Contract Documents in their entirety.

By Order of the Borough of Hopatcong

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Ron Tappan, Borough Administrator