

Town of Stratford  
Stratford, South Dakota  
Water System Improvements

General Notice

Town of Stratford (Owner) is requesting Bids for the construction of the following Project:  
Water System Improvements, A-8992

Bids for the construction of the Project will be received at the Helms & Associates located at 416 N. Production St., Aberdeen, SD, 57401 until Thursday, May 4, 2023 at 1:00 pm local time. At that time the Bids received will be publicly opened and read.

The Project includes the following Work: The project consists of the installation of new watermain piping, valves, curbstops, water service piping and fire hydrants. Work also consists of asphalt street repair, concrete curb and gutter, gravel street repair, sidewalk repair, storm sewer repair along with other miscellaneous work.

Bids are requested for the following Contract: Base Bid and Alternate Bid

Obtaining the Bidding Documents

Information and Bidding Documents for the Project can be found at the following designated website: <http://www.helmsengineering.com/biddocs.html> . Bidding Documents may be downloaded from the designated website. Prospective Bidders are urged to register with the designated website as a plan holder, even if Bidding Documents are obtained from a plan room or source other than the designated website in either electronic or paper format. The designated website will be updated periodically with addenda, lists of registered plan holders, reports, and other information relevant to submitting a Bid for the Project. All official notifications, addenda, and other Bidding Documents will be offered only through the designated website. Neither Owner nor Engineer will be responsible for Bidding Documents, including addenda, if any, obtained from sources other than the designated website.

Bidders on this work will be required to comply with the Presidents Executive Order Nos. 11246 as amended, 11518, and 11625 as amended. The requirements for bidders and contractors under these orders are explained in the specifications.

The low responsive bidder will be required to certify to compliance with the American Iron and Steel provision of the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2014. This certification form may be found on page AIS-21 of the State Revolving Fund (SRF) General Conditions and must be included in the bid proposal. The low responsive bidder must assure compliance with the requirements of Public Law 115-232, Section 889, Prohibition on Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment.

This project may be partially funded using American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds. As a condition of the ARPA funding guidelines, the Contractor shall meet the following minimum requirements: Based on the "Build America, Buy America" provisions of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) and E.O. 14005 which provide that, as appropriate and to the extent consistent with law, a preference will be provided to Contractors for the purchase, acquisition, or use of goods, products, or materials produced in the United States (including but

not limited to iron, aluminum, steel, cement, and other manufactured products.) The Contractor shall provide documentation of their efforts to meet the provisions of “Build America, Buy America” upon request.

Please be advised that waivers or exemptions from the American Iron and Steel provision that cite International Trade Agreements DO NOT comply with the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2014 as it applies to the SRF programs. Claims from suppliers that the American Iron and Steel provision does not apply to certain products based on the International Trade Agreement exemptions of the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2014 will not be accepted.

Bidders on this work will be required to comply with Title 40 CFR 33 and Executive Order 12138. The requirements for bidders and contractors under this regulation which concerns utilization of Disadvantaged/Minority Business Enterprises (DBE/MBE) and Women’s Business Enterprises (WBE) are explained in the specifications. The goals for DBE/MBE participation are 1% and WBE participation are 4%.

Bidders are also reminded that not less than the minimum wages as determined by the Davis Bacon Act and set forth in the Contract Documents must be paid on this project and that the contractor and/or subcontractor must ensure that employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of their race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.

In addition to all of the above listed Federal requirements for work on this project, compliance with the contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, Executive Order 11375, Copeland Act, the Clean Air Act, and Water Pollution Control Act, and subsequent amendments to all of the above will be required of contractors and/or subcontractors performing work on this project.

The Issuing Office for the Bidding Documents is: Helms and Associates, 416 Production St. N. Aberdeen, SD 57401. Phone (605)225-1212

Prospective Bidders may obtain or examine the Bidding Documents at the Issuing Office on Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 am to 5:00 pm, and may obtain copies of the Bidding Documents from the Issuing Office as described below. Partial sets of Bidding Documents will not be available from the Issuing Office. Neither Owner nor Engineer will be responsible for full or partial sets of Bidding Documents, including addenda, if any, obtained from sources other than the Issuing Office.

Bidding Documents may be purchased from the Issuing Office during the hours indicated above. Cost does not include shipping charges. Upon Issuing Office’s receipt of payment, printed Bidding Documents or electronic documents on compact disk will be sent via the prospective Bidder’s delivery service. The shipping charge amount will depend on the shipping method chosen. Bidding Documents are available for purchase in the following formats: Bidding Documents (including Full-Size Drawings (\$100.00) and electronic download of documents (\$20.00). Additionally, upon request, in accordance with South Dakota Codified Law 5-18B-1, one copy of Plans and Specifications shall be furnished, without charge, to each Contractor resident in South Dakota who intends, in good faith, to bid upon the project. Owner reserves the right to reject any or all Bids, including without limitation, nonconforming, nonresponsive, unbalanced, or conditional Bids. Owner also reserves the right to waive all minor Bid informalities not involving price, time, or changes in the Work.

Instructions to Bidders.

For all further requirements regarding bid submittal, qualifications, procedures, and contract award, refer to the Instructions to Bidders that are included in the Bidding Documents.

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