MWBE INVITATION TO BID

From: Wharton-Smith, Inc. Water/Wastewater Estimating
Project: Norwood WWTP Renovation
Owner: Town of Norwood**, North Carolina**
Bid Due Date: **August 20, 2020 at 2:00 PM**
Est. Value: $3,750,000

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Wharton-Smith is a general contractor who is soliciting proposals from State of North Carolina HUB, DOT, DOA, & SBA MBE and WBE (DBE) subcontractors & suppliers for the Norwood Wastewater Treatment Plant Renovation project for the Town of Norwood, North Carolina. This project is scheduled to bid on Thursday, August 20, 2020 at 2:00 PM. Please submit your proposed scope of work to us at least 24 hours prior to the bid date & your firm pricing for that scope of work to us by 8:00 am on bid day. Proposals may be emailed to ehaiderer@whartonsmith.com, faxed to 704-525-5697 &/or phoned in to 704-525-5695 ext 5301.

Bidding documents are available for free download via www.isqft.com. If you would like to receive a copy of the Plans, Specs, & Addenda, please email your request including your company's name & contact information to dsampson@whartonsmith.com, or call 704-525-5695 ext. 5301. Please be sure to provide the project name in the subject line. Upon receiving your email, we will send you an Invitation-to-Bid, which provides a link to the project via www.isqft.com. The iSqFt website will provide instructions on how to log in & view or download the bidding documents. Please do not hesitate to contact Danielle Sampson (704-525-5695 ext. 5301) with any questions you might have regarding the use of the "iSqFt" website. Please feel free to contact us should you need assistance reviewing the Contract plans & specs. Bidding Documents are also available for viewing at our Charlotte division office located at 5601 Seventy Seven Center Drive, Ste. 120, Charlotte, NC 28217. Please call ahead to ensure someone is available to assist you at 704-525-5695.

Project Scope of Work: The project consists of constructing a new headworks, aeration basin weirs, splitter box, clarifiers, sludge pump station, chlorine contact chamber and other site improvements.

Anticipated areas of work that will be subcontracted for this project are: Surveying, Hauling, Site work (Demolition, Clearing, Earthwork, Paving, Fencing and Gates, Turf and Grass), Concrete (Reinforcing Steel, Structural Concrete), Metals (Metal Fabrications), Openings (Access Doors and Panels), Finishes (Field Coating), Process Piping & Electrical.

If your company requires our help to establish a specific scope of work, which is economically feasible & realistic for your company, and/or if you feel a scope of work is too large for your firm to handle individually, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Please advise us should your company require special accommodations with payment terms, bonding, or insurance in order to provide pricing for this project. Depending on the type of subcontract work, we may also be able to waive subcontractor bonding requirements to make it easier for your company to quote the work.

We can also provide assistance to qualified minority businesses in need of equipment, loan capital, lines of credit, or joint pay agreements to secure loans, supplies, or letters of credit, including waiving credit that is ordinarily required. If establishing loan capital or lines of credit to purchase materials to be installed on this project is an impediment to your company bidding work, we will gladly work with your material suppliers to set up joint check agreements or assist in obtaining the same unit pricing as our suppliers to enable you to bid this project.

Wharton-Smith, Inc. will offer "Quick Pay Commitment" to all MWBE's to assist qualified minority businesses with their cash flow, which means a commitment to pay MWBE's within 20 days after the Contractor confirms that the work has been performed & completed properly. Should the terms of this policy be unacceptable for your company, we will gladly negotiate terms; however these agreements should be complete prior to bid date.

Wharton-Smith, Inc. is willing to review any responsible quote & will negotiate terms, if appropriate. Any other questions regarding this project may be directed to Danielle Sampson, 704-525-5695 Ext. 5301 or dsampson@whartonsmith.com.

<End Invitation to Bid>

Thank you for your assistance with this solicitation effort.