

**TOWNSHIP OF MORRIS
NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sealed bids will be received by the Bid Committee of the Township of Morris, County of Morris, State of New Jersey on **Wednesday, January 9, 2013 at 10:00 AM** prevailing time at the Municipal Building, Public Meeting Room/Courtroom, 50 Woodland Avenue, Convent Station, New Jersey, at which time and place bids will be opened and read in public for:

**OTE-2012-6
WOODLAND SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT UPGRADES
CONTRACT NO. 60**

Specifications and other bid information may be inspected at the Administrator's Office/Purchasing Department, Municipal Building, 50 Woodland Avenue, Convent Station, New Jersey, during regular business hours, Monday through Friday, from 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM. Bidders will be provided with a copy of the bid package upon payment of \$200.00 payable to the Township of Morris.

Bids for the contract must be submitted on standard proposal forms furnished by the Township of Morris in the manner designated therein and required by the Specifications. Bids must be enclosed in a sealed envelope bearing the name and address of the bidder and must be delivered to the Morris Township Bid Committee, marked **OTE-2012-6, WOODLAND SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT UPGRADES, CONTRACT NO. 60**, on **Wednesday, January 9, 2013 at 10:00 AM**. **No bids shall be received by mail, only in person at the time, date, and place specified above.** A copy of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-23 is included in the Section entitled "Local Public Contract Law" of this specification.

This project will include the construction of grit removal facilities, mechanical screening facilities, odor control equipment, installation of submersible mixers and various piping modifications. A new masonry structure will be constructed to contain the new grit removal equipment and a masonry building extension will be constructed to shelter the new mechanical bar screen, debris compactor and dumpster. Odor control equipment will be installed in two (2) locations and will be located adjacent to the buildings on new concrete pads. New submersible mixers will be installed in the Oxidation Tanks. The project also includes the replacement of the existing raw sewage pumps. There is also piping modifications to the plant's raw sewage force main and modifications to the piping within the chemical storage room.

The guaranty accompanying the bid proposal shall be given in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the base bid, minimum of \$500, and not to exceed twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000.00), and may be given at the option of the bidder by a Certified Check, Cashier's Check, or a Bid Bond from a reputable insurance company licensed in the State of New Jersey.

Pursuant to P.L. 2004, c. 57 (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. Failure to provide the Business Registration Certificate prior to award of the contract will be cause for rejection of the bid as being nonresponsive.

Bidders are required to comply with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 17:27-1 et. seq.

Bids may be held by the Township of Morris for a period not to exceed sixty (60) days from the date of opening of bids for the purpose of reviewing the bids and investigating the qualification of bidders, prior to awarding the contract. Pursuant to P.L. 2010, c. 108, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-23.3 authorizes a bidder to request withdrawal of a public works bid due to a mistake on the part of the bidder within five business days after the opening of the bids.

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.A.J.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.

This Proposal is being solicited through a fair and open process in accordance with N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5 et. seq.

The Township reserves the right to reject any or all bids, if in its judgment the public interest will be best served by doing so.

Karen J. Carman, RPPO, QPA
Qualified Purchasing Agent

Date: December 6, 2012