

NOTICE OF INVITATION FOR BID

Polk County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida, is soliciting bids for the following: **BID #24-270, Lakeland – Bartow – Polk County Potable Water Interconnect**

A **MANDATORY** pre-bid meeting will be held Wednesday, March 6, 2024, 1:30 p.m., at the Utilities Administration Building, Room 63, located at 1011 Jim Keene Blvd., Winter Haven, FL 33880. An authorized representative or agent of the Bidder must be present at this meeting, as evidenced by their signature on the meeting's sign-in sheet, or the Bidder's Submittal will be considered non-responsive.

Bid packages may be obtained from the Procurement Division, 330 West Church Street, Room 150, Bartow, Florida, 33830, (863) 534-6757 or downloaded from our website at <https://www.polk-county.net/business/procurement/>.

Respondents must submit one (1) original copy of the bid submittal prior to 2:00 p.m. on the bid receiving date. Bids must be submitted in a "sealed" parcel or electronically through Polk County's secure website, Kiteworks. Bids will be publicly opened at 2:00 p.m. on receiving date.

To receive a copy of the **Construction Bid Package, Attachment "A" Technical Specifications, Attachment "B" Drawings, Excel Bid Sheet, Exhibits VI-A and XI**, please go the following FTP site: <https://ftp3.polk-county.net>, you will be prompted for a User ID and Password. The User ID is *procurevendor* and the password is *solicitation*. After you have logged in to the FTP site, double click on the file folder "**Bid 24-270 Lakeland-Bartow-Polk County Interconnect.zip**", select "Open" or "Save As" to download the Bid documents, drawings, technical specifications, Excel Bid Sheet, and Excel exhibits. If you need assistance accessing this website due to ADA or any other reason, please email Ari Goldstein at arigoldstein@polk-county.net.

Scope of Work: Furnish all labor, equipment, and materials for the construction of the facilities consisting of, but not limited to, interconnect station improvements, yard piping, civil, structural, and electrical improvements in accordance with plan sheets and project manual outlined in the bid documents.

The construction cost estimate for the project is \$1,467,000.

Qualification Requirements: Bidder shall be a current State of Florida licensed General Contractor and shall demonstrate an understanding of the type of work and materials involved. Contractor experience shall involve a minimum of five (5) similar projects in Florida that are currently under way and/or have been completed within the last ten (10) years involving similar construction including the installation of large diameter (>10") yard piping and site work as the prime contractor.

Receiving Date: Prior to 2:00 pm., **Wednesday, March 27, 2024**, NO EXCEPTIONS

BID OPENING: Bidders may attend the Bid Opening via conference call by dialing (646) 558-8656 and enter Meeting ID: 327 647 2818. Vendors that want to attend in person may do so in

compliance with safe COVID 19 practices. A listing of all bidders will be posted to Procurement's website as soon as possible after bid opening.

QUESTIONS: Questions regarding this bid should be in writing and should reference the above Bid. Submit all questions to Ari Goldstein, Senior Procurement Analyst, via email at arigoldstein@polk-county.net or via fax at (863) 534-6789 by 4:00 p.m. Friday, March 15, 2024.

Special Instructions: The County hereby notifies all Bidders that Women/Minority Business Enterprise firms are to be afforded a full opportunity to participate in any bid by the County and will not be subject to discrimination on the basis of race, color, sex or national origin. It is asked that Bidders make good faith efforts to use qualified W/MBE subcontractors in preparing their bid. Bidders are encouraged to contact the Office of Supplier Diversity at (863) 534-5959 for assistance or visit our website at:

<https://vcl.polk.one/vendordirectory>

STATEMENT OF NO BID

BID #24-270, Lakeland – Bartow – Polk County Potable Water Interconnect

If submitting a "NO BID", Bidder shall return this form to the Polk County Board of County Commissioners Procurement Division, 330 West Church Street, Room 150, Bartow, Florida 33830; or fax it to (863) 534-6789.

We have declined to bid on the above-mentioned bid for the following reasons (Please Circle all that apply):

- | | |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| Specifications too "restrictive." | Insufficient time to respond to invitation for bid |
| Do not offer this product/service | Our schedule would not permit us to perform |
| Unable to meet specifications | Unable to meet bond/insurance requirements |
| Specifications unclear | |
| Other (please specify): | |

Company Name:

Contact Name:

Telephone Number:

Email Address:

Date:
