SECTION 00100 INVITATION TO BID

PART 1. GENERAL

1.1 COMPETITIVE COST SEALED BIDS

Sealed bids for construction of the Pump Station Bypass Connections will be received until <u>April 13, 2021 at 1:00 PM</u> at 210 Railroad Street, Thomson, GA 30824. Any bid received after said time and date will not be considered by the Owner. No bid may be withdrawn after the closing time for the receipt of bids for a period of sixty (60) days except as specifically may be provided in the Instructions to Bidders and/or by State law.

1.2 SCOPE OF WORK

The work to be completed shall consist of furnishing all labor, equipment and materials necessary to provide a bypass pumping system and install eighteen (18) temporary bypass pump connections including, but not limited to fittings, valves, piping, bypass pumping, concrete blocking, earthwork, grassing, soil erosion and sediment control measures, and all appurtenances necessary to provide a complete installation.

The Work will be awarded in one (1) Contract.

1.3 PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

Plans, Specifications and Contract Documents are on file at CARTER & SLOOPE, INC. Copies may be obtained from CARTER & SLOOPE, INC., 1031 Stonebridge Parkway, Watkinsville, Georgia 30677, Phone: 706-769-4119, Fax: 706-769-4546, upon payment of \$200.00 for each full-size hardcopy set or \$100.00 for a PDF digital set (non-refundable). A copy of your check is needed in order to ship the documents. You can fax it to the fax number above or email a scanned copy to hcash@cartersloope.com. All plans and documents will be shipped via UPS Ground. If you choose to have them shipped overnight or via another carrier, please submit your Fed Ex Overnight or UPS Express account number.

1.4 CONTRACTOR LICENSE

The Scope of Work as described herein is defined as "utility contracting" in accordance with O.C.G.A 43-14-2(17) so the Contractor performing the work must provide proof of a valid license by the State of Georgia as a "Utility Contractor" and must also employ a "Utility Manager" certification holder who will have oversight of all the work. Therefore, the Contractor submitting a bid must list the license number of the Contractor performing the utility contracting on the face of the bid envelope and on the bid form and provide proof of a valid license with the bid. No bid will be opened unless it contains the Contractor's Utility License Number on the envelope. See Instruction to Bidders for additional bidding requirements.

1.5 BONDS

Bids shall be accompanied by a bid bond or certified cashier's check in an amount not less than 10% of the base bid. All bonds shall be by a surety company licensed in Georgia with an "A" minimum rating of performance and a financial strength of at least five (5) times the contract price as listed in the most current publication of "Best's Key Rating Guide Property Liability". Performance and Payment Bonds, each in an amount equal to 100% of the contract price shall be required of the successful bidder if contract is awarded. Each Bond shall be accompanied by a "Power of Attorney" authorizing the attorney-in-fact to bind the surety and certified to include the date of the bond.

1.6 PERMITS – NONE REQUIRED

1.7 EASEMENTS & RIGHTS-OF-WAY

All easements and rights-of-way for permanent installations have been obtained or will be obtained by the Owner prior to issuing the Notice to Proceed.

1.8 GEORGIA SECURITY AND IMMIGRATION COMPLIANCE ACT AFFIDAVIT

All qualifying Contractors and Subcontractors performing work with the **City of Thomson** must register and participate in the federal work authorization program commonly known as E-Verify, or any subsequent replacement program, to verify the work eligibility information of new employees. In order for a Bid to be considered, it is mandatory that the Bidder's Affidavit of Compliance with O.C.G.A. §13-10-91 be completed and submitted with the Bid.

1.9 FUNDING SOURCES

Funding is to be provided by Local Funds.

1.10 RESERVATION OF RIGHTS

Owner reserves the right to reject any or all Proposals, including without limitation, the rights to reject any or all nonconforming, nonresponsive, unbalanced or conditional Proposals and to reject the Proposal of any Bidder if Owner believes that it would not be in the best interest of the Project to make an award to that Bidder, whether because the Proposal is not responsive or the Bidder is unqualified or of doubtful financial ability or fails to meet any other pertinent standard or criteria established by the Owner.

CITY OF THOMSON OWNER

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