

**INVITATION TO BIDDERS**

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Sealed proposals for the construction of replacement 3-phase, 13kV Overhead Hendrix circuit along Gum Hollow Road and N. Illinois Avenue in Oak Ridge, Tennessee will be received by City of Oak Ridge at 100 Woodbury Lane, Oak Ridge, TN 37831 until 2:00 pm local time on February 18, 2016, and immediately thereafter will be opened and publicly read.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any informalities or technicalities therein. Bids shall be on a Unit Price basis for the Base Bid.

The work to be done consists generally of: Re-conductor of approximately 3.6 miles of existing 13kV Hendrix along Gum Hollow Road, Graceland Road and Glassboro Drive. Work to include installation of new overhead conductor and removal of existing conductor, as well as any other related work, as shown on the drawings and/or described in the specifications.

Drawings and specifications may be obtained from Gresham, Smith and Partners, 2095 Lakeside Centre Way, Suite 120, Knoxville, TN 37922, for a deposit of \$50.00 per set non-refundable.

A Pre-Bid Meeting will be held on Thursday, February 4, 2016 at 100 Woodbury Lane, Oak Ridge, TN 37831 at 1:00pm local time. This meeting is not mandatory, but attendance is highly encouraged by the Owner in order to address any questions that the Bidder may have concerning the project.

Each bid shall be accompanied by a Certified Check on a solvent bank or a Bidder's Bond issued by a Surety Company licensed to operate in the State of Tennessee, in the amount of five percent of the total bid price, as a guarantee that if the bid is accepted, the Bidder will enter into a contract and execute the Performance and Payment Bonds in the form and within the time specified.

The successful Bidder will be required to execute a Performance Bond and a Payment Bond, each in the amount of 100 percent of the Contract, issued by a Surety Company licensed to operate in the State and shall be named in the current list of "Companies Holding Certificates of Authority as Acceptable Sureties on Federal Bonds and as Acceptable Reinsuring Companies" as published in Circular 570 (amended) by the Audit Staff Bureau of Accounts, U.S. Treasury Department.

Each Bidder shall be a licensed Contractor as required by the regulations of the State of Tennessee General Assembly's Contractor's Licensing Act of 1976, and all amendments thereto in effect on bid receipt date. License number, expiration date, and license classification shall be shown on the outside of the envelope containing the bid of the General Contractor. The license number, expiration date, and license classification shall also be shown for the electrical subcontractor, plumbing subcontractor, and mechanical subcontractor, as applicable. Failure to show these items on outside of envelope will result in non-acceptance by the City. Such submissions shall remain unopened and will be returned to the submitting entity upon request.

No Bidder may withdraw his bid for a period of forty-five (45) days after date of actual bid opening, without Owner's consent.

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