CITY OF DULUTH - INVITATION TO BID

PROJECT NAME/DESCRIPTION:  East Interceptor Sanitary Sewer Overflow Storage Facility – Phase I
Lift Station No. 6 Construction, Influent Sanitary Sewer, Force Main, Outfall Sewer & Diversion Structure Piping Improvements

PROJECT NUMBER: 0802SN
BID NUMBER: 09-0528

This advertisement is also available on the city of Duluth’s website at:
http://www.ci.duluth.mn.us/city/services/purchasing/bidinfo.html

Sealed bids will be received by the City Purchasing Agent in and for the Corporation of the City of Duluth, Minnesota, at his office, Room 100 City Hall, Duluth, Minnesota, 55802, (218) 730-5340 until 2:00 PM local time on October 14, 2009 for the above named project. Immediately thereafter, bids will be taken to room 211A City Hall, where they will be publicly opened and read aloud.

A Pre-Bid Conference will be held on Thursday October 1, 2009 at 10:00 AM in Room 106A City Hall, 411 1st Street, Duluth, MN. Attendance by potential bidders is strongly recommended.

This project consists of construction of a new 8.0 MGD wastewater pump station, construction will be cast in place concrete with three (3) 50 HP submersible pumps, associated facility electrical and control systems, natural gas powered stand-by generator Piping will include approximately 700 feet of 36” and 48” ductile iron (DI) gravity influent pipe and 500 feet of 24” DI force main. Outfall and Diversion Sewers will be installed along the Lake Walk totaling 2100 feet containing a mixture of 36” DI, 42” HDPE, and 48” HDPE pipes. Installation of these pipes will disturb concrete, bituminous, and wood surfaces of the Lake Walk, all of which must be restored to the original condition. Contractor will encounter contaminated materials requiring soil remediation involving specialized off-site disposal of soils. Additional work includes storm sewer revisions, potable water relocation, Lake Walk detours and restoration.

Bidding questions pertaining to this project should be directed to: Mark Guisfredi, Manager, 218-730-5076. Technical questions pertaining to this project should be directed to: Howard Smith, Project Engineer, 218-722-3915.

Each bidder must purchase ($20.00) the 2009 edition of the City of Duluth Public Works/Utilities Department – Engineering Division Standard Construction Specifications booklet as this booklet is incorporated by reference and is deemed to be a part hereof this project as if fully incorporated and set forth herein.

Plans and specifications may be secured from the City Engineering office, Room 211 City Hall, 411 West 1st St., Duluth, MN 55802, upon payment of a check, draft or money order in the amount of $50.00 made payable to the City of Duluth. (This payment will not be refunded.)

Plans and specifications are on file for inspection at the City Engineering office, Duluth Builders Exchange, F.W. Dodge Plan Room, Minneapolis Builders Exchange and St. Paul Builders Exchange.

A certified check or bank draft, payable to the order of the City of Duluth, negotiable U.S. Government Bonds (at par value), or a satisfactory bid bond executed by the bidder and acceptable surety, in an amount equal to five per cent (5%) of the total bid, shall be submitted with each bid.

Attention is called to the fact that not less than the minimum salaries and prevailing wages as set forth in the contract documents must be paid on this project. The contractor must take affirmative action to ensure that the employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of their race, color, creed, sex or national origin, and must meet the affirmative action goals. Contractors are encouraged to subcontract with Disadvantaged Business Enterprises when possible.

The City of Duluth will use a combination of funding (ARRA funds and Non-ARRA funds) to finance this project. Both Federal Davis Bacon prevailing wages and State of Minnesota prevailing wages apply to this project. Payment of the wage and fringe benefits that are most beneficial to the employees are required.

Contractors must comply with Federal requirements concerning utilization of Minority and Women Business Enterprises. The Contractor must employ good faith efforts in procurement activities and maintain documentation. The “Fair Share” target is 3.5 percent for MBE and 11.5 percent for WBE.

The City of Duluth is an Equal Opportunity employer. The Contractor shall comply with all applicable Equal Employment Opportunity laws and regulations.

Dennis Sears
Purchasing Agent