

SECTION 00030

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the New Jersey Meadowlands Commission (NJMC), One DeKorte Park Plaza, Lyndhurst, New Jersey 07071, for the following:

**NJMC FILE NO. SP-537
RESTORATION OF THE RUTHERFORD/EAST RUTHERFORD DRAINAGE
DITCH SYSTEM - PHASE I**

Bids will be received at the above address until 10:00 AM prevailing time, on **Friday, March 7, 2008**. Bids will **not** be accepted after 10:00 AM on that day. Bids will also be opened at this date and time in a public forum at the above address.

Contract Documents (specifications and plans) will be available for review at the NJMC offices on **Monday, February 4, 2008, after 10:00 AM**. Copies of the specifications and the 20-sheet plan set may be obtained at the NJMC Offices upon payment of the non-refundable fee of \$200.00 for each set of Contract Documents. Checks shall be made payable to "NJMC." Note that requests for Contract Documents shall be made 48 hours prior to expected pick-up. The documents do not have to be returned. The Contract Documents can also be shipped via Federal Express, or other carrier service, using the bidder's account number.

A mandatory pre-bid meeting will be held on **Friday, February 15, 2008**, at 10:00 AM at the above address. The pre-bid meeting will consist of a short meeting at the NJMC offices, followed by a project site visit. Individuals attending the project site visit are expected to have the appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE), including a hard hat with valid NJ Transit track training sticker, construction boots, and safety vest.

The Work to be performed under this Contract generally consists of providing all plant, labor, equipment, materials, tools, and services necessary to complete the cleanout and restoration of the Rutherford and East Rutherford Drainage Ditch System - PHASE I, including the removal of ten (10) existing culverts (eight (8) circular pipes with diameters ranging from 24" to 60" and two (2) 24"x 36" elliptical pipes) and five (5) existing tide gates; removal of one (1) concrete weir/slucice gate structure; installation of ten (10) 72" diameter culverts and ten (10) associated tidegates; and the installation of two (2) 36" diameter culverts.

The Project Site is located in Rutherford and East Rutherford, New Jersey, with Route 3 at its southern end. Specific boundaries of the Project Site are shown on the Contract Documents. The New Jersey Transit Bergen County Rail Line runs north-south along the length of the project site. Two ditches run along either side of the rail line – the Rutherford Ditch (RD) to the west and East Rutherford Ditch (ERD) to the east. The RD discharges into Berry’s Creek Canal, while the ERD discharges into Berry’s Creek. The two ditches and their associated structures will be collectively known as the “Rutherford and East Rutherford Drainage Ditch System.”

The existing structures within PHASE I of the Restoration of the Rutherford/East Rutherford Drainage Ditch System project are as follows: two (2) 36” diameter corrugated metal pipes that are partially collapsed, located underneath the Norfolk Southern rail siding; one (1) non-functioning culvert and tide gate array at the end of the RD, consisting of five (5) culverts ranging from 24” to 36” in diameter, each fitted with a flap gate; one (1) culvert array located at the confluence of the ERD and Berry’s Creek, consisting of two (2) 24” X 36” elliptical pipes and one (1) 60” diameter pipe. In addition, a nonfunctioning sluice gate set in a concrete weir exists near the southern end of the ERD, just upstream of the ERD culvert array.

The Contract Time is 180 consecutive calendar days, weather permitting, from the start date as per the Notice-to-Proceed (NTP) letter to be issued on or about **Wednesday, March 26, 2008**.

A bid deposit, in the amount of five (5) percent of the bid, but not exceeding \$20,000.00, must accompany the Bid.

The Contract Documents contain specific requirements for submission of a bid. In conformance with Public Law 1977, Chapter 33, if the bidder is a corporation or partnership, it shall submit with the bid a statement setting forth the names and addresses of all stockholders/partners who have a ten percent or greater interest in the firm.

The attention of all bidders is particularly called to the New Jersey State requirements regarding the conditions of employment to be observed, and the requirements of Public Law 1977, Chapter 127, regarding Affirmative Action.

In accordance with Public Law 2001, Chapter 134, the NJMC may only enter into contracts with Bidders who provide proof of valid business registration with the Division of Revenue, in the Department of Treasury, of the State of New Jersey. The Contractor, and all subcontractors, shall attach a copy of the Division of Revenue Business Registration Certificate to Bid Form 00482. Registration information can be obtained on the worldwide web at www.state.nj.us/treasury/revenue or by calling 609-292-1730. Online registration is available, and there is no cost to register.

In accordance with the Public Works Contractor Registration Act, the Contractor and all subcontractors shall provide proof of registration in accordance with N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.48 *et seq.*, with the Bid. Registration information can be obtained on the worldwide web at <http://www.state.nj.us/labor> or by calling 609-292-9464. No Contractor may bid on the Work of this Contract unless he/she is registered pursuant to this act at the time the bid is made. No Contractor shall list a subcontractor in the Bid for the Work of this Contract unless the subcontractor is registered pursuant to this act at the time the bid is made.

In order to insulate the award of state contracts from risk of improper influence, the NJMC may only enter into the Contract with a Bidder who complies with the requirements of Executive Order 134. The required form and instructions are available for review on the Purchase Bureau website at <http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/purchase/forms.htm#eo134>. See Article 28.0 in SECTION 00100: INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS for more information.

If special requirements are needed under the Americans with Disabilities Act, contact Rosanne Sireci, Human Resources, at 201-460-3725. If there are any questions regarding these Contract Documents, contact Nicholas Agnoli, P.E., at 201-460-1096, or Wai Lee, P.E., at 201-460-4846.

Date

NEW JERSEY MEADOWLANDS COMMISSION

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