

**NOTICE TO BIDDERS
FOR
THE 2016 SEWER LINING PROGRAM
Solicitation Document No. 16-M-0021
IEPA Loan Project Number L175509**

Sealed offers will be received by the Village of Wilmette, Cook County, by Joan Schouten, Purchasing Manager at the Village Hall Finance Department, 1200 Wilmette Ave., Wilmette, Illinois 60091 until 10:00 AM, local time on **December 21, 2017** and at that time publicly opened and read.

Bid Opening: December 21, 2017 at 10:00 AM
Bid Deposit: Bid Bond 10%

DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT

The rehabilitation of approximately 23,000 feet of 8, 10, 12, 15, 18, and 21-inch diameter sanitary/combined sewer lines via cured-in-place pipe (CIPP) methodology at various locations throughout the Village of Wilmette.

AVAILABILITY OF CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

The Village of Wilmette's website, <http://www.wilmette.com> is the official source for all documents related to this solicitation. The Village is not responsible for documents distributed through any other means, nor bidders who fail to check for updates. All questions regarding this solicitation are to be submitted to the Purchasing Manager via e-mail at Purchase@wilmette.com prior to the time frame stated.

BID SECURITY

All offers must be accompanied by a certified check, bank cashier's check, **bid bond** (in the form as provided in the Contract Documents), or bank draft payable to the Village of Wilmette - equal to **ten (10%) percent** of the amount of the bid.

BIDDERS EXPERIENCE

The offer **must include** the following documentation relating to experience in the installation of CIPP:

- A statement indicating that the installing contractor has 5 years experience and has installed a minimum of 250,000 linear feet of the product,
- A customer list with associated footage per customer of CIPP installed by the Contractor, and
- A statement indicating that the manufacturer has continuously provided the material for the product for at least five years.

LOAN FUNDING

Any contract or contracts awarded from this solicitation are expected to be funded in part by a loan from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA). Neither the State of Illinois nor any of its departments, agencies, or employees is or will be a party to this solicitation or resulting contract. This procurement will be subject to regulations contained in the procedures for Providing Financial Assistance from the Water Pollution Control Program (35 IAC Part 365), the Davis-Bacon Act (40 USC 276a through 276a-5) as defined by the United States Department of Labor, the Employment of Illinois Workers on Public Works Act (30 ILCS 570), the DBE Policy per 40 CFR Part 33 as amended, and the "Use of American Iron and Steel" requirements as contained in Section 436 (a) – (f) of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2014.

This procurement is also subject to the loan recipient's policy regarding the increased use of disadvantaged business enterprises. **The loan recipient's policy requires all bidders to undertake specified affirmative efforts at least sixteen (16) days prior to bid opening.** The policy is contained in the specifications. Bidders are also required to comply with the President's Executive Order No. 11246, as amended. The requirements for bidders and Contractors under this order are explained in 41 CFR 60-4.

EVERY CONTRACTOR SUBMITTING AN OFFER, WHETHER OR NOT THE FIRM IS LISTED AS A DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS, MUST PLACE AN ADVERTISEMENT FOR LABOR, MATERIAL AND EQUIPMENT IN THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE AT LEAST 16 DAYS PRIOR TO THE DATE OF THE RECEIPT OF BIDS in compliance with the applicable portions of the Section entitled "LOCAL SPECIFICATIONS FOR DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PARTICIPATION".

PERFORMANCE AND PAYMENT BONDS

The successful Bidder will be required to furnish Performance and Payment Bonds for one hundred (100%) percent of the contract sum. Said Bonds shall be in a form acceptable to the Village and must be deposited with the Village at the time of execution of the Contract.

REJECTION OF BIDS

The Village reserves the right to defer the award of the contract for a period not to exceed ninety (90) calendar days after the date bids are received, and to accept or reject any or all proposals and to waive technicalities.

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