

SECTION 00020

INVITATION TO BID

PATRIOTS WALK LIFT STATION

COLUMBUS WATER WORKS
COLUMBUS, GEORGIA

Separate sealed Bids, for furnishing all materials, labor, tools, equipment and appurtenances necessary for the construction of the Patriots Walk Lift Station will be received by the Owner at the offices of the Columbus Water Works, 1421 Veterans Parkway, Columbus, Georgia 31901, until 2:30 p.m., local time, on March 1, 2012, and then at said office publicly opened and read aloud.

The Project consists of the following major elements: approximately 160 feet of 10-inch gravity Sewer, 20 feet of 8-inch DIP Force main sewer, CWW standard duplex pump lift station, including electrical, instrumentation, erosion and sedimentation control, and appurtenances.

The work will be awarded in one Contract.

The Instructions to Bidders, Bid, Contract Agreement, Drawings, Specifications and forms of Bid Bond, Performance Bond, Payment Bond and other Contract Documents may be examined at the following:

Columbus Water Works
Division of Engineering
1421 Veterans Parkway
Columbus, Georgia 31901
(706) 649-3471

Dodge Room Reed
<http://www.reedconstructiondata.com/>

Dodge Room McGraw-Hill
<http://www.construction.com/ProjectCenter/>

Copies of Contract Documents may be obtained at the office of the Columbus Water Works Engineering, 1421 Veterans Parkway, Columbus, Georgia 31901, upon payment of \$150.00, non-refundable, for each set. Street address must be provided to ensure prompt delivery.

Each Bid must be accompanied by a Bid Bond, prepared on the form of Bid Bond located in the Contract Documents or a Surety Company's Standard Bid Bond, duly executed by the Bidder as principal and having as surety thereon a surety company licensed to do business in the State of Georgia and listed in the latest issue of U.S. Treasury Circular 570, in the amount of 10 percent of the Bid.

The successful Bidder for this Contract will be required to furnish a satisfactory Performance Bond and Payment Bond each in the amount of 100 percent of the Bid.

Equal Employment Opportunity Clause: Bidders must comply with the Equal Employment Opportunity requirements specified in the Instructions to Bidders and Supplemental General Conditions.

Minority Participation: Bidders will be required to demonstrate their good faith efforts to achieve compliance with the Owner's goal that a minimum of 10 percent of the Bid Amount be done by Minority Owned Firms (MBE) and 5 percent of the Bid Amount be done by Women Owned Firms (WBE).

Employment of Local Businesses and Contractors: It is the wish of the Owner that local businesses, including contractors, be given the opportunity to bid on the various parts of the work.

The desire on the part of the Owner to encourage participation of minority and locally owned businesses and contractors is not intended to restrict or limit competitive bidding or to increase the cost of the work. The Owner supports a healthy, free market system that seeks to include responsible local businesses and provide ample opportunities for local business growth and development.

The Owner will in no way be liable for any costs incurred by any bidder in the preparation of its Bid in response to this Invitation to Bid.

The Columbus Water Works requires that all work under contract be in compliance with OCGA § 43-14-8.2 (Utility Contractor Licensing). The Contractor shall provide a current copy of the Utility Contractor's license issued by the State Construction Industry Licensing Building Division of Utility Contracts.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all Bids, to waive informalities and to readvertise.

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Billy Turner, President

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