

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Project: Town of Coats Water System Improvements (SRP-D-ARP-0282)
Owner: Town of Coats
PO Box 675 (mail), 25 East Main Street, Coats, NC, 27521
Engineer: WithersRavenel
115 MacKenan Drive, Cary, NC 27511

The Town of Coats will receive separate sealed formal bids for the **Water System Improvements Project (SRP-D-ARP-0282)** at Coats Town Hall, located at 25 East Main Street, Coats, NC, 27521 until **Thursday, January 18th, 2024, at 2:00 PM**, local prevailing time, at which time the Bids received will be publicly opened and read aloud virtually. Bids received after this time will not be accepted. Bids may be submitted by mail or courier. While there is an option to attend the Bid Opening virtually, hardcopy bids are still required to be received.

The project includes replacing approximately 1,897 LF of 3" asbestos cement water main with 8" PVC water main and replacing valves, hydrants, and services along Railroad Street, and laying 430 LF of new 6" PVC water main and new valves, hydrants, and services along South Ida Street. The project will also include making connections to and abandoning sections of 3", 6", and 8" asbestos cement water main.

A Pre-Bid Conference will be held on **Thursday, December 14th, 2023, at 10:00 AM** local time, virtually, and at the Coats Town Hall, located at 25 East Main Street, Coats, NC, 27521. Interested parties are encouraged to attend this conference to review the plans, ask for additional information or clarification, and to visit the project site. Attendance at the Pre-Bid-Conference is highly encouraged but is not mandatory.

To participate in the virtual Pre-Bid Conference, you must email Erin Spencer at espencer@withersravenel.com by **10:00 AM local time Wednesday, December 13th, 2023**, and provide your user ID so you may be admitted to the meeting. You will be provided with the information to join the meeting prior to the meeting.

To participate in the virtual Bid Opening, you must email Erin Spencer at espencer@withersravenel.com **10:00 AM local time Wednesday, January 17th, 2024**, and provide your user ID so you may be admitted to the meeting. You will be provided with the information to join the meeting prior to the meeting.

Bid sets will be available electronically on November 30th, 2023. Complete digital bidding documents are available at <http://withersravenel.com/bid/> or www.questcdn.com. You may download the digital documents for \$25.00 by inputting Quest project # 8861238 on the website's search page. Please contact QuestCDN.com at (952) 233-1632 or info@questcdn.com for assistance in membership registration, downloading, and working with this digital project information. Bid documents can also be examined at the following locations: WithersRavenel, 115 MacKenan Drive Cary, NC 27511

All questions related to this bid shall be submitted in writing to espencer@withersravenel.com prior to **Monday, January 15th, 2024, at 5:00 PM** local time to receive consideration. Questions received after that time will not be answered or accepted. A Final Addendum will be provided prior to the Bid Date.

Bidders are responsible for ensuring receipt of their bid by the stated date and time. Bidders are responsible for the review of any addenda for the project and shall acknowledge the addenda on the

bid form. To qualify, all bids shall be submitted using bid forms contained in the Contract Documents. Incomplete or segregated bids will not be accepted. All bids must be accompanied by a certified or cashier's check or bid bond in the amount of 5% of the total amount bid made payable to the Owner. The bid deposit shall be retained by the Owner if the successful bidder fails to execute contracts or fails to provide the required bonds, as stated above, within ten (10) days after the proper notice of award of the contract. No bid shall be withdrawn for a period of **90 consecutive calendar days** after bid opening except as provided in Information for Bidders. Bidders must show evidence that they are licensed to perform the work in the Bid Documents as required by the North Carolina General Statutes Chapter 87. The Owner reserves the right to reject any/all bids, to waive formalities, or to reject non-conforming, non-responsive, or conditional bids. The Owner reserves the right to award a contract to the lowest, responsive, responsible bidder or bidders, taking into consideration quality, performance, and time.

This project is funded by an American Rescue Plan (ARP) award from the State Fiscal Recovery Fund and NC Division of Water Infrastructure financed with approximately \$1.0 million.

The Owner is an Equal Opportunity Employer and encourages bidding by small, minority and female (M/WBE) contractors and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, handicap/disability, age, or familial status. Bids from qualified disadvantaged business enterprise (DBE), historically underutilized businesses (HUB), and businesses owned by low and moderate-income persons are encouraged to bid. Bidders shall be required to submit with their Bids affidavits of "Good Faith Efforts" in the recruitment of Minority Businesses. Bidders must comply with Executive Orders 11246 and 11375 and 2 CFR 200 Uniform Guidance.

Nick Holcomb, Town Manager