INVITATION TO BIDDERS

Sealed bids for performing the contract identified below will be received by the Passaic Valley Water Commission, at its offices located at 1525 Main Avenue, Clifton, New Jersey, on Tuesday June 21, 2016 at 2:00 p.m., local time, at which time and place said bids will be publicly open and read.

CONTRACT NO. 15-B-25 WATER STORAGE IMPROVEMENTS PHASE 1 - STANDBY EMERGENCY GENERATORS TOTOWA, NJ

The Project includes the construction of a new emergency generator facility with four 3-megawatt diesel generators located at the Little Falls Water Treatment Plant on Union Boulevard in Totowa, New Jersey.

Information and Instructions for Bidders, Specifications, Drawings and other Contract Documents may be obtained at the Purchasing Department of Commission upon payment of a \$150.00 deposit which will not be returned.

A non-mandatory pre-bid meeting will be held at **9:00 a.m.** on Wednesday, May 25, 2016 at the Little Falls Water Treatment Plant site located at the intersection of Union Boulevard and Riverview Drive in Totowa, New Jersey. Representatives of the Owner will be present to discuss the project and to lead an inspection of the site. All prospective bidders are encouraged to attend.

Each Bid must be submitted on the prescribed Bid Form and accompanied by Bid security as prescribed in the Instructions to Bidders, payable to the Owner in an amount not less than 10 percent of the amount Bid, but not in excess of \$20,000.

The Successful Bidder will be required to furnish the necessary additional Bond(s) prescribed in the Bidding Documents.

In order to perform public work, the successful Bidder and Subcontractors prior to contract award shall hold or obtain such licenses as required by State Statutes, and federal and local Laws and Regulations.

This Contract or Subcontract is expected to be funded in part with funds from the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP), and the New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust. Neither the State of New Jersey nor any of its departments, agencies, or employees is, or will be, a party to this Contract or Subcontract, or any lower tier contract or subcontract. This Contract or Subcontract is subject to the provisions of N.J.A.C. 7:22-3, 4, 5, 9, and 10.

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The contract is also expected to be funded in part with funds from a New Jersey Disaster Recovery Community Development Block Grant (CDBG-DR) received from the federal office of Housing and Urban Development, and administered through the NJDEP. As such, attention of bidders is particularly called to the requirements as to conditions of employment to be observed and minimum wage rates to be paid under the contract, Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, Segregated Facility, Section 109 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, and Equal Employment Opportunity 11246.

The NJDEP has set a minimum goal for SED individuals' utilization on New Jersey Department of Environmental-assisted Projects of 10 percent for all SED businesses.

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Prior to Notice of Award, the Successful Bidder's historic degree of compliance with the above goals will be reviewed. A Bidder who has not historically achieved these goals must demonstrate why the goals are not attainable on the proposed work.

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:5-33, Bidders are required to comply with the requirements of P.L. 1975, c.127, concerning discrimination in employment.

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7.22-3.17 (g) the required Surety Bond must be written by a Surety Company listed on the Federal Treasury List (Department Circular 570 – Surety Companies Acceptable on Federal Bonds).

Bidders shall comply with requirements of Local Public Contracts Law N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 <u>et seq.</u> as supplemented and amended; Disclosure Notice (P.L. 1977, c 33) N.J.S.A. 52:25-24.2 and Affirmative Action Requirements. (P.L. 1975 c 127) N.J.S.A. 10:5-32 in addition to other applicable State Laws.

The successful Bidder for the contract shall be required to comply with the prevailing local minimum wage rates as determined by the New Jersey Department of Labor and Workforce Development.

Within the parameters established by governing law, the Commission reserves the right to reject any and all bids or to waive any minor informalities or irregularities in the Proposal when it has sound, documented business reasons that are in the best interest of the Project, New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Financing Program, and CDBG-DR, and to award the contract to the lowest responsible bidder.

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No bidder may withdraw his bid within 30 days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

Passaic Valley Water Commission

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Purchasing Department Dated: