

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sealed bids will be received by the **Lakewood Township Municipal Utilities Authority** for the **Water Meter Replacement Program** in the Township of Lakewood, Ocean County, New Jersey.

In general, this project consists of the furnishing and installation of 6,455 replacement water meters.

This project is funded in part by the New Jersey Infrastructure Bank (I-Bank) Program and the successful Bidder must comply with all the provisions of N.J.A.C. 7:22-9.1 et seq. for the participation of small business enterprises owned and controlled by socially and economically disadvantaged individuals (SED).

Bid forms, contracts and specifications are available by contacting Remington & Vernick Engineers. Contact shall be made by phone or by email to make bid purchase arrangements at 856-795-9595 or RVEbidinterest@rve.com.

Said Bids will be received, opened and read aloud in public at the **Lakewood Township Municipal Utilities Authority, 390 New Hampshire Avenue, Lakewood, New Jersey, 08701** on Thursday June 26th, 2025 at 11:00 AM prevailing time.

Electronic download link for copies of the bid forms, contracts and specifications may be obtained from said Remington and Vernick Engineers, by prospective bidders upon request, upon payment of the sum of \$50.00 for each set. Should interested bidders not have the ability to handle electronic download sets, a set may be arranged to be sent overnight by calling 856 795 9595.

NO BIDS ARE TO BE PICKED UP AT THE ENGINEER'S OFFICE OR AT THE MUNICIPALITY OFFICES.

PAYMENT MUST BE RECEIVED PRIOR TO OBTAINING SAID SPECIFICATIONS.

NO BIDS ARE TO BE DROPPED OFF AT THE ENGINEER'S OFFICE.

The **Lakewood Township M.U.A.** reserves the right to consider the bids for sixty (60) days after the receipt thereof, and further reserves the right to reject any or all bids, either in whole or in part and also to waive any informality in any and make such awards or take action as may be in the best interest of the **Lakewood Township M.U.A.**, in accordance with applicable law.

Bids must be on the bid form prepared by Remington & Vernick Engineers, in the manner designated therein and required by the specifications, must be enclosed in sealed envelopes bearing the name and address of the bidder on the outside and also bearing on the outside reference to the particular work bid upon. Said bids shall be addressed to **Justin Flancbaum, Executive Director, Lakewood Township Municipal Utilities Authority, 390 New Hampshire Avenue, Lakewood, New Jersey, 08071**.

Each bid shall be accompanied by a certified check, cashier's check or bid bond duly executed by the bidder as principal and having as surety thereon a surety company approved by the **Lakewood Township M.U.A.** in an amount not less than ten percent (10%) but in no case in excess of \$20,000.00 of the amount bid. Any such bid bond shall be without endorsement or conditions. Bid shall also be accompanied by a certificate letter from a surety company stating that it will provide the bidder with the completion bond.

The award of the contract shall be made subject to the necessary moneys to do the work being provided by the **Lakewood Township M.U.A.** in a lawful manner. The contract to be executed by the successful bidder will provide that it shall not become effective until the necessary moneys to do the work have been

provided by the **Lakewood Township M.U.A.** in a lawful manner. The award shall further be subjected to the securing of necessary State, Federal or Local permits governing the work.

This Circular is published annually for the information of Federal bond-approving officers and persons required to give bonds to the United States consistent with 31 CFR 223.16. (Interim changes are published on the Surety Bond website as they occur). Other information pertinent to Federal sureties may be obtained from the U.S. Department of the Treasury, Bureau of the Fiscal Service, Surety Bond Branch, 200 Third Street, Room 1010, Parkersburg, WV 26106, Telephone (304) 480-6635.

Bidders are required to comply with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., N.J.A.C. 17:27 (Affirmative Action), N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.25 et seq. (New Jersey Prevailing Wage Act), and Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. S12101, et seq.).

The contractor is further notified that he must comply with N.J.S.A. 52:25-24.2 and submit a Disclosure Statement listing stockholders with his bid.

The contractor is further notified that he must comply with N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.48 et seq. Public Works Contractor Registration Act and he and any subcontractors must be registered in accordance with the act.

The contractor is also further notified that he must comply with N.J.S.A. 52:32-44 and submit proof of business registration and submit proof of business registration for any named subcontractors in accordance with the act.

This contract or subcontract is expected to be funded by in part with funds from the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and the New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust. Neither the State of New Jersey, the New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust nor any of their departments, agencies, or employees is, or will be a party to this contract or subcontract or any lower tier contractor or subcontract. This contract is subject to the provisions of N.J.A.C. 7:22-3, 4, 5, 9 and 10. In accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 58:11B-26, N.J.A.C. 7:22-3.17(a) 24 and 4.17(a) 24, which require that no less than 10 percent of the total amount of all contracts related to the project shall be awarded to SEDs, the contractor (subcontractor) shall comply with all of the provisions of N.J.A.C. 7:22-9.

N.J.A.C. 7:22-3.17(a)24, 4.17(a)24, 6.17(a)24 and 7:22A-2.4(a) provide that a goal of not less than 10 percent be established for the award of contracts to small business concerns owned and controlled by one or more socially and economically disadvantaged individuals. The goal of 10 percent applies to the total amount of all contracts for building, materials and equipment, or services (including planning, design and building related activities) for a construction project. The project sponsor has identified that the SED utilization goal for this project is: 10%

Awards will be made only to socially and economically disadvantaged business concerns that are certified by the New Jersey Commerce, Economic Growth and Tourism Commission, the New Jersey Department of Transportation, the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, New Jersey Transit or other agencies deemed appropriate by the Office as eligible minority businesses or female businesses.

The invitation to bid is on an unrestricted basis whereby the successful bidder must fulfill the SED utilization requirements.

This Notice shall appear in the Newspaper not less than ten (10) working days before the bid opening; and notice of revisions or addenda to advertisements or bid documents will be as outlined in N.J.S.A. 40A:11-23.

By Order of the
Lakewood Township Municipal Utilities Authority

Dated: 13 May 2025