THE SOUTHEAST MORRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY CEDAR KNOLLS, NEW JERSEY

INVITATION TO BID

Sealed bids will be received by the Executive Director, or assigned delegate, of The Southeast Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority (Owner or SMCMUA), at the principal offices of the SMCMUA, 19 Saddle Road, Cedar Knolls, New Jersey, on Thursday, December 7, 2023 at 10:00 AM prevailing time, for Upgrades for Manganese Removal Treatment at Black Brook Water Treatment Plant, at which time and place said bids will be publicly open and read.

Major items of work include: Replacement of manganese greensand media in six (6) 11-foot diameter contactors, assessment of manganese Greensand contactors, installation of a six-inch diameter electrically actuated butterfly valve and associated piping connections to replace the existing backwash waste valve, installation of a new 76 cfm rated blower and associated two-inch diameter piping to connect to the existing air piping, modifications to the instrumentation and controls and electrical upgrades at the Black Brook Water Treatment Plant.

The Information and Instructions for Bidders, Proposal, Contract and Specifications may be obtained at the offices of the SMCMUA, 19 Saddle Road, Cedar Knolls, New Jersey 07927 Monday through Friday, between the hours of 9:00AM and 4:00PM. Please contact Alexis Bozza at 973-326-6867 or abozza@smcmua.org with any questions or to obtain a copy of the Specifications and Bid Proposal package.

Bidders must use the prepared proposal and related forms which are contained in the Project Manual. The bid must be separately enclosed in a sealed envelope with 'Executive Director, The Southeast Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority', marked on the outside along with the name of the item or project being bid. Bids may be submitted personally, by Federal Express, certified mail, courier service or similar media. No bids may be withdrawn within 60 days after receipt of bids, unless permitted by law.

A non-mandatory pre-bid meeting will be held on, <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>November 14</u>, <u>2023</u>, <u>at 10:00 A.M.</u> at SMCMUA Black Brook Treatment Plant, located between Morristown Airport and Cadillac Dealership at 334 Columbia Turnpike, Florham Park, NJ 07932. Bidders are strongly encouraged to attend and participate in the pre-bid meeting.

The Contractor shall submit any questions regarding the bid documents by <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>November 21</u>, <u>2023</u> <u>at 10:00 A.M</u>. Requests made after this date will be considered untimely and may, at the sole discretion of the SMCMUA, not be considered.

No bids will be accepted after the time set forth above; provided, however, that the SMCMUA may, in its sole discretion, waive this requirement and allow reasonable, minor extensions of time in cases of bona fide delay due to weather, traffic or similar uncontrollable conditions; and further if notice of the expected delay is provided to the SMCMUA by messenger, telephone or e-mail prior to the time set forth above for receipt of bids. No bids will be accepted after any sealed bid is unsealed and opened.

The SMCMUA reserves the right to reject any or all bids or waive minor informalities or irregularities in the bids and to award the Contract to the lowest qualified Bidder.

Bidders are required to comply with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., and N.J.A.C. 17:27.