

SECTION 00 11 10 - ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

ABERDEEN WATER TOWER & TRANSMISSION LINE

PROJECT WT-2025-1

EDA AWARD # 05-79-06091

SRF # C462072-04

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the Aberdeen City Council at the office of the City Finance Officer, Auditor Division until 2:00 p.m. local time on the 29th day of July, 2025, at which time the bids will be publicly opened, read and referred to the Aberdeen City Council of the City of Aberdeen, in the 3rd Floor Conference Room, City Hall, 123 Lincoln St S.

Schedule A – Transmission Line: approximately 14,000 Ft of 16” Watermain, 12 each 16” Gate Valve, 6,300 Tons Asphalt Surfacing, 27,500 SqFt of Concrete Pavement, 5,500 Tons of Base Course, Traffic Control, and additional miscellaneous valves, fittings and appurtenances.

Schedule B - Water Tower: 1,500,000 Gallon Composite water tower, including but not limited to the following; foundation, interior piping, electrical, controls, valves, site work and grading.

Work shall include all labor, equipment and materials to complete the work in accordance with specifications now on file at the City Finance Office, Auditor Division, and the City Engineering Office, Aberdeen, South Dakota and will be available at no charge from the latter by calling (605) 626-7011.

Bids shall be submitted in accordance with the specifications. All bids shall be plainly marked on the outside of the envelope with the words "**Bid for Aberdeen Water Tower & Transmission Line (Project WT-2025-1)**".

Each bid in excess of \$25,000 shall be accompanied by any one of the following:

- (1) A certified check, cashier's check, or draft certified or issued by a state or national bank for five per cent (5%) of the amount of the total gross bid; or
- (2) A bid bond issued by a surety authorized to do business in South Dakota for ten per cent (10%) of the amount of the bid; or
- (3) An irrevocable letter of credit for one hundred percent (100%) of the amount of the bid from a financing agency of good repute and deemed acceptable to the City of Aberdeen, all in accordance with SDCL Ch. 5-18A and SDCL Ch. 57A-5.

The bid security shall be made payable without condition to the City of Aberdeen, South Dakota, hereinafter referred to as Owner. The bid security may be retained by and shall be forfeited to the Owner as liquidated damages if the bid is accepted and a contract based thereon is awarded and the bidder shall fail to enter into a contract in the form prescribed, with legally responsible sureties, within ten (10) days after such award is made by the Owner. Contracts in excess of \$25,000 will require a Payment Bond and a Performance Bond acceptable to the Aberdeen City Council, for one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract, in conformance with the requirements of the Contract documents. No bid may be withdrawn within a period of thirty (30) days after the date fixed for opening bids.

The Aberdeen City Council reserves the right to reject any and all bids, waive irregularities and accept the bid it deems most favorable and in the best interest of the City of Aberdeen after all bids have been examined.

Bidders on this work will be required to comply with the Equal Employment Opportunity regulations in 41 CFR Part 60 - 1.4(b) and all Civil Rights laws to include 1) Age Discrimination Act of 1975, 2) Section 13 of the FWPCA Amendments of 1972, 3) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and 4) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

The low responsive bidder will be required to certify to compliance with the American Iron and Steel provision of the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2014. This certification form may be found on page AIS-21 of the State Revolving Fund (SRF) General Conditions and must be included in the bid proposal. The low responsive bidder must assure compliance with the requirements of Public Law 115-232, Section 889, Prohibition on Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment.

Please be advised that waivers or exemptions from the American Iron and Steel provision that cite International Trade Agreements DO NOT comply with the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2014 as it applies to the SRF programs. Claims from suppliers that the American Iron and Steel provision does not apply to certain products based on the International Trade Agreement exemptions of the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2014 will not be accepted.

Bidders on this work will be required to comply with Title 40 CFR 33 and Executive Order 12138. The requirements for bidders and contractors under this regulation which concerns utilization of Disadvantaged/Minority Business Enterprises (DBE/MBE) and Women's Business Enterprises (WBE) are explained in the specifications. The goals for DBE/MBE participation are 1.5% and WBE participation are 2.4%.

Bidders are also reminded that not less than the minimum wages as determined by the Davis Bacon Act and set forth in the Contract Documents must be paid on this project and that the contractor and/or subcontractor must ensure that employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of their race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.

In addition to all of the above listed Federal requirements for work on this project, compliance with the contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, Copeland Act, the Clean Air Act, and Water Pollution Control Act, and subsequent amendments to all of the above will be required of contractors and/or subcontractors performing work on this project.

Obtaining the Bidding Documents

Information and Bidding Documents for the Project can be found at the following designated website: <http://www.helmsengineering.com/biddocs.html> . Bidding Documents may be downloaded from the designated website. Prospective Bidders are urged to register with the designated website as a plan holder, even if Bidding Documents are obtained from a plan room or source other than the designated website in either electronic or paper format. The designated website will be updated periodically with addenda, lists of registered plan holders, reports, and other information relevant to submitting a Bid for the Project. All official notifications, addenda, and other Bidding Documents will be offered only through the designated website. Neither Owner nor Engineer will be responsible for Bidding Documents, including addenda, if any, obtained from sources other than the designated website.

The Issuing Office for the Bidding Documents is: Helms and Associates, 416 Production St. N. Aberdeen, SD 57401. Phone (605)225-1212

Prospective Bidders may obtain or examine the Bidding Documents at the Issuing Office on Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 am to 5:00 pm, and may obtain copies of the Bidding Documents from the Issuing Office as described below. Partial sets of Bidding Documents will not be available from the Issuing Office. Neither Owner nor Engineer will be responsible for full or partial sets of Bidding Documents, including addenda, if any, obtained from sources other than the Issuing Office.

Bidding Documents may be purchased from the Issuing Office during the hours indicated above. Cost does not include shipping charges. Upon Issuing Office's receipt of payment, printed Bidding Documents or electronic documents on compact disk will be sent via the prospective Bidder's delivery service. The shipping charge amount will depend on the shipping method chosen. Bidding Documents are available for purchase in the following formats: Bidding Documents (including Full-Size Drawings (\$100.00) and electronic download of documents (\$20.00). Additionally, upon request, in accordance with South Dakota Codified Law 5-18B-1, one copy of Plans and Specifications shall be furnished, without charge, to each Contractor resident in South Dakota who intends, in good faith, to bid upon the project. Owner reserves the right to reject any or all Bids, including without limitation, nonconforming, nonresponsive, unbalanced, or conditional Bids. Owner also reserves the right to waive all minor Bid informalities not involving price, time, or changes in the Work.

Instructions to Bidders.

For all further requirements regarding bid submittal, qualifications, procedures, and contract award, refer to the Instructions to Bidders that are included in the Bidding Documents.

This Advertisement is issued by Order of the Aberdeen City Council

Dated this 30th Day of June, 2025

By: **Jordan McQuillen**
Title: **Finance Officer**

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