

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
THURMONT WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT
ENR UPGRADE PROJECT
TOWN OF THURMONT, MARYLAND

Sealed bids for construction of the Thurmont Wastewater Treatment Plant ENR Upgrade will be received by the Town of Thurmont at Town Hall located at 10 Frederick Road, Thurmont, MD 21087 until 2:00 p.m. local time on **Tuesday January 26, 2010**. Said bids will then be publicly opened and read aloud.

The work consists of constructing, complete with all equipment and accessories, the following in accordance with the plans and specifications heretofore prepared by Stearns & Wheler:

1. New denitrification filters including building, a methanol feed system with methanol storage tank, spill containment structure, and methanol feed pumps, backwash air compressor, denitrification recycle pumps, mechanically cleaned screen, rapid mixer and phosphoric acid feed system.
2. New Chemical Building.
3. New ultraviolet disinfection system (Bid as Add-Alternate).
4. New sodium hydroxide and alum storage and feed system including storage tank, spill containment structure, and feed pumps in a new Chemical Building.
5. New UV Influent Pumps (Bid as Add-Alternate).
6. New Plant Water System and Plant Water Building upgrades (Bid as Add-Alternate).
7. New emergency generator to serve the ENR upgrades, Plant Water Building, Chemical Building and UV Disinfection Building.
8. New electrical feed and associated equipment.
9. New instrumentation and process control system.
10. New box culvert (Bid as Add-Alternate).
11. Aerobic Digester Upgrades (Bid as Add-Alternate).
12. Associated site work and yard piping.

A **mandatory Pre-Bid Meeting** will be held on **Monday, December 21, 2009 at 10:00 a.m.** local time at the Thurmont Town Hall located at 10 Frederick Rd, Thurmont MD 21087 followed by an optional tour of the WWTP located at 96 E. Moser Rd, Thurmont MD 21087. Representatives of Owner and Engineer will be present to discuss the Project. **It shall be mandatory for all General Contractors who intend to submit a Bid Proposal, to attend the Pre-Bid Meeting.** The Pre-Bid Meeting is optional for suppliers and subcontractors.

Estimated Construction Cost: Over \$4,500,000

The Contract Documents may be examined at the following locations:

Stearns & Wheler, LLC
16701 Melford Boulevard
Suite 330
Bowie, MD 20715

Town Hall Conference Room
10 Frederick Road
Thurmont, MD 21087

Reed Construction Data
30 Technology Pkwy S.
Suite 100
Norcross, GA 30092

McGraw-Hill Dodge
3315 Central Ave
Hot Springs, Arizona 71913

Construction Journal
759 South Federal Highway
Suite 300
Stuart, FL 34994

MD/Washington Minority
Contractors' Association
107 North Point Boulevard
Suite 220
Baltimore, MD 21215

Electronic Copies of the plans and specifications may be obtained starting Monday, December 14, 2009 from the Stearns and Wheler, LLC (address listed above) upon submission of a plan deposit in the form of a check or money order payable to the Town of Thurmont in the amount of \$100.00 per set. If mailing of documents is requested, a separate check payable to Town of Thurmont in the amount of \$15.00 per set must be included to cover handling and postage fees. No refunds will be made for the return of plans and specifications.

All questions regarding this project shall be submitted in writing to John Revette at Stearns & Wheler, LLC via fax at 301-805-4665 or via email at john.revette@ghd.com. Questions must include the project name and number (Thurmont WWTP ENR Upgrade P-110) in the subject heading. No response will be given to questions received less than 14 days before the bid date.

Contractor shall receive and review all Addenda for this project on the Town's Website: <http://www.thurmont.com/>

This project will be funded in part by the Maryland State ENR Grant Program.

- As a condition of federal grant awards, regulations require the grant recipients (Town of Thurmont) and prime contractors to make a good-faith effort to award a fair share of work to qualified Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBES). Bidders must demonstrate and document the affirmative steps to provide opportunities for DBES to participate in the project. For additional information, please visit the MWQFA website: www.mde.state.md.us/wqfa.
- State of Maryland Prevailing Wage Rates shall apply for this project. For the wage rate determination, please visit the State Labor Department website: <http://www.dllr.state.md.us/>.

Each bid proposal must be accompanied by a Bid Bond payable to the Town of Thurmont in the amount of 5% of the Total Bid Price, the bid bond forms included in the Bid Proposal Division of the documents being utilized for this purpose.

If, upon acceptance of his bid, a Bidder fails to enter into a Contract with the Town of Thurmont, the bid security shall be forfeited to and become the property of the Town.

No bidder may withdraw his bid within one hundred twenty (120) days after the date of the bid opening. The successful bidder must furnish a 100% Performance and Payment Bond with a surety company satisfactory to the Town of Thurmont and conforming to the prerequisite requirements of Article 5 of the General Conditions.

The Town of Thurmont reserves the right to waive any informalities or to reject any or all bids.

Bidders are required to certify, under penalty of perjury, that bids have been prepared without collusion with other bidders, subcontractors, suppliers, etc. This certification is included with the Bid Proposal which each Bidder must sign in the space provided.

Dated: _____