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The Emerald Coast Utilities Authority is soliciting engineering consultant firms to submit qualifications packages for RFQ Number 2016-05, Multi-Phase Assessment of the ECUA Sanitary Sewer System Force Mains and Appurtenant Facilities for the Minimization of Sanitary Sewer Overflows. Qualification packages will be received by the Emerald Coast Utilities Authority Purchasing and Stores Manager, 9255 Sturdevant Street, Ellyson Industrial Park, Pensacola, FL 32514, until 2:00 p.m., local time, December 3, 2015. Qualification packages received after 2:00 p.m., local time, December 3, 2015, will be returned unopened.

The primary project goal deals with the minimization of sanitary sewer overflows (SSOs) that occur in the ECUA sanitary sewer system due to failure of force mains and appurtenant facilities. Secondary and supporting tasks to the primary goal may include, but are not limited to, project management of the consultants' team, acquisition of field infrastructure information and flow data and analyses, planning for immediate, medium and long-range actions, recommended prioritization of projects to maximize the effectiveness of available resources to minimize SSOs, and technical assistance to maintain compliance with the Consent Order issued by the Florida Department of Environment Protection. Other tasks may include design, preparation/development of bid documents, training of ECUA personnel on methods of investigation, analyses and asset management, master planning, permitting, and construction administrative services.

All questions, comments or concerns about this RFQ must be submitted in writing via mail, fax or email to Mr. Steve Holcomb or Mr. Stacy Hayden, ECUA Wastewater Infrastructure Department, P.O. Box 15311, 9255 Sturdevant Street, Pensacola, FL, 32514, Fax (850) 969-6511, email: stephen.holcomb@ecua.fl.gov or stacy.hayden@ecua.fl.gov. Mr. Holcomb and Mr. Hayden are the only designated representatives of ECUA authorized to respond to comments, questions, and concerns. ECUA will not respond to comments, questions, and concerns addressed to any person other than Mr. Holcomb or Mr. Hayden. If the ECUA determines that a particular comment, question or concern necessitates a global response to all holders of the RFQ, ECUA will issue a clarification or addendum. The final day that ECUA will accept questions will be seven (7) calendar days prior to the RFQ deadline.

Prospective submitters may obtain copies of the Qualifications Package by visiting the ECUA website, www.ecua.fl.gov, selecting the "Doing Business with ECUA" header, followed by selecting :Bid Opportunities: under the dropdown menu, at which time a complete list of advertised ECUA projects can be seen. Click the link to the project's Request for Qualifications (RFQ), register and/or log in to ECUA's file sharing service and view or download the RFQ in pdf file format as desired. The file sharing service will also alert registrants about updates and/or addenda. ECUA advises potential responders to only rely on information personally obtained from ECUA's file sharing service and not from third parties. Look for RFQ No. 2016-05.

The Emerald Coast Utilities Authority reserves the right to waive informalities in any bid; reject any or all proposals, in whole or in part; rebid a project, in whole or in part; and to accept a proposal that in its judgment is the lowest and best bid of a responsible bidder. In accepting a bid, ECUA may award a contract based only on the base bid, the base bid plus all alternates, or the base bid plus any alternates which ECUA selects – with all decisions being made based upon what ECUA believes to be in the best interests of its ratepayers, in the reasonable exercise of its discretion. ECUA further reserves the right to increase or decrease quantities as may be required to meet the needs of ECUA at the unit

price which was bid. The ECUA does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age, marital status, and disability/handicapped status, veteran status, or any other legally protected status in employment or provision of service.

Proposed Advertising Date: October 29, 2015