INVITATION TO BID Bethel ER E23-1(452)

Sealed bids from pre-qualified contractors shall be accepted until **4:00 pm**, prevailing time on **Wednesday, October 18, 2023** at the **Town of Bethel Town Office** for construction of the project hereinafter described. Bid opening will occur immediately after the bid submittal deadline. The time of receiving and opening bids may be postponed due to emergencies or unforeseen conditions.

Sealed BIDS shall be marked in the lower left hand corner: Bid Documents: Bethel ER E23-1(452)

Each BID must be accompanied by a certified check payable to the Town of Bethel for five percent (5%) of the total amount of the BID. A BID bond may be used in lieu of a certified check.

PREQUALIFICATION OF CONTRACTORS: All bidders on this project shall be on the Agency of Transportation's Contract Administration prequalified list under the "Contractors List of Drainage (Culverts and Underdrains) Category".

LOCATION: Beginning at a point on Camp Brook Road in Bethel at a point approximately 4.6 miles west of State Highway 12 (Pleasant Street).

TYPE OF CONSTRUCTION: Work to be performed under this project includes This work shall consist of replacing an existing 36-inch CMP culvert with a Town-owned 8-foot diameter steel culvert that has already been purchased by the Town and is ready for delivery to the site. The replacement culvert will include cast-in-place concrete headwalls and wingwalls at the inlet and outlet.

CONTRACT COMPLETION DATE: The Contract shall be completed on or before December 15, 2023.

NON-MANDATORY PRE-BID SITE VISIT: A non-mandatory pre-bid site visit will be held on Friday, October 13, 2023 at 9:00am at the project site.

OBTAINING PLANS: Plans may be obtained from the Town of Bethel, 134 South Main Street, Bethel, Vermont, 05032. Phone: 802-234-9722 and electronically from DuBois & King Inc. (www.dubois-king.com/projects-bidding-active/) at a cost of \$50.

ENGINEERS ESTIMATE: For this Proposal the Engineers Estimate falls between \$400,000 and \$750,000.

PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND PROPOSAL MAY BE SEEN AT THE OFFICE OF:

- 1. Town of Bethel, 134 South Main Street, Bethel, Vermont
- 2. DuBois & King Inc., 28 North Main Street, Randolph, Vermont
- 3. Works in Progress, Inc. 20 Farrell Street, South Burlington, Vermont 05403-6112.

STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS: This contract is governed by the Vermont Agency of Transportation ("VTrans") 2018 Standard Specifications for Construction.

QUESTIONS: During the advertisement phase of this project all questions shall be addressed solely to Jonathan Ashley, Project Manager, DuBois & King, Inc., jashley@dubois-king.com, 802-465-8396, ext. 4810 no later than Friday, October 13, 2023 5:00pm

EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY (EEO) CERTIFICATION: Certification is required by the Equal Employment Opportunity regulations of the Secretary of labor (41 CFR 60-1.7(b) (1)) and must be submitted by bidders and proposed subcontractors only in connection with contracts and subcontracts which are subject to the equal opportunity clause. Generally only contracts and subcontracts of \$10,000 or under are exempt as set forth in 41 CFR 60-1.5. See Appendix A for Contractors EEO Certification Form (CA-109). This certification form must be submitted with the bid.

NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT: All bidders are required to execute a sworn statement, certifying that the bidder has not, either directly or indirectly, entered into any agreement, participated in any collusion, or otherwise taken any action in restraint of free competitive bidding in connection with such contract. See Appendix B for Debarment and Non-Collusion Affidavit (CA-91). **This affidavit must be submitted with the bid.**

DEBARMENT AFFIDAVIT: All bidders are required to execute a sworn statement, certifying that the bidder has not within the last three (3) years been, suspended, debarred, voluntarily excluded or determined ineligible by any Federal or State Agency; does not have a proposed suspension, debarment, voluntary exclusion or ineligibility determination pending; and has not been indicted, convicted or had civil judgment rendered against (it, him, her, them) by a court having jurisdiction in any matter involving fraud or official misconduct within the past three (3) years. See Appendix B for Debarment and Non-Collusion Affidavit (CA-91). This affidavit must be submitted with the bid.

WORKER CLASSIFICATION COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENT FORM (*Prime Contractor*): All bidders are required to complete this self-reporting form in its entirety and submit with the bid.

NON-DISCRIMINATION IN FEDERALLY ASSISTED CONTRACTS: The Town of Bethel hereby notifies all bidders that it will ensure that any contract entered into

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pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the basis of race, color, religion, sex or national origin for an award. This is consistent with the Town's requirement to comply with provisions of Title VI.

DAVIS BACON WAGE REQUIREMENTS: Bidders agree to abide by the Davis Bacon Wage Rate Schedule.

BUY AMERICA REQUIREMENTS: Buy America requirements of 23 CFR 635.410 are applicable to all Federal-aid construction projects. All steel or iron products permanently incorporated into Federal-aid projects, shall be products that have been entirely manufactured within the United States. All manufacturing processes of the steel or iron material, in a product, must occur within the United States to be considered of domestic origin. This includes process such as rolling, extruding, machining, bending, grinding, and drilling. The action of applying a coating to a material is deemed a manufacturing process subject to Buy America. Coating includes epoxy coating, galvanizing, painting, and any other coating that protects or enhances the value of the material.