Greater Texoma Utility Authority/City of Bells Wastewater System Improvements Project Request for Qualifications for Engineering

Greater Texoma Utility Authority/City of Bells is seeking qualification statements for engineering services for the design of improvements to wastewater system to include wastewater treatment plant rehabilitation.

<u>Scope of Work</u>: 1) Design of wastewater treatment plant improvements; 2) Design of wastewater collection system improvements; 3) Preparation of all required Texas Water Development Board documents; 4) Preparation of bid packages and assistance with project bidding; and 5) Preparation of any applicable permit(s).

<u>Statement of Qualifications (SOQ):</u> Furnish an SOQ to include the following information: 1) Experience with design of Wastewater Systems; 2) Project team and project team resumes; 3) Experience with TWDB funded projects; 4) Experience with construction phase engineering services for wastewater systems; 5) Experience in the design/construction services in the North Texas/Bells area; and 6) List of references with contact information.

<u>Submission Requirements:</u> If your firm is interested in being considered for this assignment, submit your SOQ to General Manager, Greater Texoma Utility Authority, 5100 Airport Drive, Denison TX 75020 (US Mail and delivery) (903-786-4433) no later than 3:00PM on November 10th, 2020. Seven (7) hard copies and one (1) digital copy of the SOQ must be submitted. Each statement should be limited to no more than 10 pages including the cover letter.

TWDB/EPA's Minority and Women-owned Business Enterprise (M/WBE) Requirements:

This contract is subject to the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program, which includes EPA-approved fair share goals toward procurement of Minority and Women-owned Business Enterprise (M/WBE) firms. EPA rules require that applicants and prime contractors make a good faith effort to award a fair share of contracts, subcontracts, and procurements to M/WBEs through demonstration of the six affirmative steps. For more details of the DBE Program and the current, applicable fair share goals, please visit www.twdb.texas.gov/DBE.

	<u>MBE</u>	WBE
Construction	19.44%	9.17%
Equipment	16.28%	11.45%
Services	20.41%	13.66%
Supplies	25.34%	8.82%

This contract is contingent upon release of funds from the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB). Any contract or contracts awarded under this Request for Qualifications (RFQ) are expected to be funded in part by a loan from the TWDB. Neither the State of Texas nor any of its departments, agencies or employees are or will be a party to this RFQ, or any resulting contract. RFQs are issued in accordance with Section 2254 of the Texas Government Code (Professional Services Act).

Equal Opportunity in Employment – All qualified Applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, age, handicap or national origin. Small, minority, and women-owned business enterprises are encouraged to submit proposals.

Selection Criteria/Negotiation:

City of Bells may evaluate the proposals to determine which firm has the best qualifications. The consultant for engineering services is expected to negotiate an agreement for services that is acceptable to the City. If an acceptable contract cannot be negotiated, City may formally end negotiations and begin negotiating with the next highest qualified person or firm.