

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on **Wednesday, June 3rd at 12:00 p.m.** (Prevailing time), sealed bids will be electronically opened on BidNet Direct at www.bidnetdirect.com/manchestertwp at which time and place the sealed bids will be opened publicly and read for the following:

BID NO. 26-07 WELL 10 REPLACEMENT WSA

Copies of the bid forms, contracts and specifications may be obtained on-line only at the following link www.bidnetdirect.com/manchestertwp.com.

All bids must be submitted on the electronic platform; no physical bids will be accepted.

The scope of this project generally includes the in-kind replacement of existing Well No. 10 with new Replacement Well No. 13. The new well will be constructed within 50 feet of the existing well. Project work will include the proper sealing and abandonment of Well No. 10 in accordance with N.J.A.C. 7:9D, as well as the removal of the existing chlorine contact tank. In its place, 42 linear feet of 48-inch diameter PVC chlorine contact piping will be installed. The project is located at the site of existing Well No. 10 in Manchester Township, Ocean County, New Jersey, identified as Block 86, Lot 2.06.

Prebid Meeting: There will be a voluntary Prebid meeting on Monday, May 11th, 2026, at 1:30 pm, at the existing Well No.10 site located at 82 Lacey Road, Whiting, New Jersey 08759 in the rear of the site. All comments, questions, or requests for information must be received by noon on Friday, May 15, 2026. This meeting is not a prerequisite to bidding but is to aid all contractors to understand the project.

The Township Of Manchester reserves the right to consider the bids for sixty (60) days after the receipt thereof, and further reserves the right to reject any or all bids, either in whole or in part and also to waive any informality in any and make such awards or take action as may be in compliance with the New Jersey Local Publics Contract Law N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et. Seq.

If indicated, bid proposals must be accompanied by a certified check, cashier's check, or bid bond in the amount of ten per centum (10%) of the total amount of the bid, but not in excess of twenty thousand (\$20,000) dollars and made payable to the Township of Manchester. If bids are to be submitted electronically in accord with this notice, then the bidder shall submit a copy of the bid guarantee with electronic submittal and mail ensuring receipt, prior to electronic bid opening, the original to the Manchester Township Purchasing Department 1 Colonial Drive, Manchester, N.J. 08759. The bid bond may also be provided in certified check and cashier's check in accord with provisions within general requirements of this bid.

The award of the contract shall be made subject to the necessary moneys to do the work being provided by the Township Of Manchester in a lawful manner. The contract to be executed by the successful bidder will provide that it shall not become effective until the necessary moneys to do the work have been provided by the Township Of Manchester in a lawful manner. The award shall further be subjected to the securing of necessary State, Federal or Local permits governing the work.

Bidders are required to comply with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., N.J.A.C. 17:27 (Affirmative Action), N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.25 et seq.(New Jersey Prevailing Wage Act), and Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. S12101, et seq.).

The contractor is further notified that he must comply with N.J.S.A. 52:25-24.2 and submit a Disclosure Statement listing stockholders with his bid.

The contractor is further notified that he must comply with N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.48 et seq. Public Works Contractor Registration Act and he and any subcontractors must be registered in accordance with the act.

The contractor is also further notified that he must comply with N.J.S.A. 52:32-44 and submit proof of business registration and submit proof of business registration for any named subcontractors in accordance with the act.

This subchapter establishes procedures for providing opportunities for socially and economically disadvantaged ("SED") contractors and vendors to supply materials and services under State financed construction contracts for environmental infrastructure facilities. To implement the policies established in N.J.S.A. 58:11B-26, 40:11A-41 et seq., and 52:32-17 et seq., this subchapter applies to environmental infrastructure projects receiving financial assistance from the Department and the Trust pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7:22-3, 4 and 6 and 7:22A-6 and 7. Under the provisions of N.J.A.C. 7:22-3, 4 and 6 and 7:22A-6 and 7, the Department and the Trust require recipients of Trust and Fund loans and other assistance to establish such programs for socially and economically disadvantaged small business concerns, to designate a project compliance officer, and to submit to the Department and Trust procurement plans for implementing the SED program.

This contract or subcontract is expected to be funded in part with funds from the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and the New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust. Neither the State of New Jersey, the New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust nor any of their departments, agencies or employees is, or will be, a party to this contract or subcontract or any lower tier contract or subcontract. This contract or subcontract is subject to the provisions of N.J.A.C. 7:22-3, 4, 5, 9 and 10.

The project or contract is funded in part by New Jersey wastewater treatment financing programs and the successful bidder must comply with all the provisions of N.J.A.C. 7:22-9.1 et seq. for the participation of small business enterprises owned and controlled by socially and economically disadvantaged individuals. This invitation to bid is on an unrestricted basis whereby the successful bidder must fulfill the SED utilization requirements. The agencies specified in N.J.A.C. 7:22-9.13(a)8 will have a list of eligible SED firms and shall, upon request, provide them to the Township. The Township, during the bidding phase, will provide copies of the list to all Contractors on unrestricted contracts.

N.J.A.C. 7:22-3.17(a)24, 4.17(a)24, 6.17(a)24 and 7:22A-2.4(a) provide that a goal of not less than 10 percent be established for the award of contracts to small business concerns owned and controlled by one or more socially and economically disadvantaged individuals. The goal of 10 percent applies to the total amount of all contracts for building, materials and equipment, or services (including planning, design and building related activities) for a construction project. The project sponsor has identified that the SED utilization goal for this project is: 10%.

The 10 percent SED utilization requirement shall be accomplished by the following:

1. Bids shall be solicited on an unrestricted basis. The bid documents, however, shall include a statement to the effect that the successful bidder must fulfill the SED utilization requirements by subcontracting portions or the work to SEDs; or

2. Contractors also have the option of establishing unrestricted bidding procedures to fulfill the 10 percent SED utilization requirement for the project.

All project sponsors, at least 10 days prior to public advertisement for bids, shall notify the NJDEP Office of Equal Opportunity and Public Contract Assistance via H2Loans, of the availability of opportunities for SEDs to provide services, to bid on unrestricted contracts or subcontracts, or to provide any other necessary purchase or procurement.

Awards will be made only to socially and economically disadvantaged business concerns that are certified by the New Jersey Commerce, Economic Growth and Tourism Commission, the New Jersey Department of Transportation, the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, New Jersey Transit or other agencies deemed appropriate by the Office as eligible minority businesses or female businesses. The invitation to bid is on an unrestricted basis whereby the successful bidder must fulfill the SED utilization requirements.

In no case shall the advertisement for the bids be published less than 30 days prior to the date fixed for receiving bids on the purchase or contract.

Bidders are required to comply with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 17:27 (P.L. 1975, c.127, Affirmative Action); P.L. 1963. C150 (New Jersey Prevailing Wage Act); and Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12101, et.seq.).

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 10:5-33, "Bidders are required to comply with the requirements of P.L. 1975, c. 127."

The contractor is further notified that he must comply with P.L. 1977, c. 33, and submit a Disclosure Statement listing stockholders with his bid.

The contractor is further notified that he must comply with P.L. 1999 c.238 Public Works Contractor Registration Act and he and any subcontractors must be registered in accordance with the act.

The contractor is also further notified that he must comply with P.L. 2004 c. 57 and submit proof of business registration and submit proof of business registration for any named subcontractors in accordance with the act.

In accordance with N.J.A.C. 7:22-3.17(g) and N.J.A.C. 7:22-4.17(g), all applicable surety bonds required in connection with the advertisement and award of building contracts or sub-agreements must be written by a surety company listed on the Federal Treasury List (Department Circular 570-Surety Companies Acceptable on Federal Bonds), incorporated herein by reference. Copies of this document may be obtained from the United States Department of Treasury.

By Order of the Township of Manchester

Carl Block, Administrator

Dated: **MAY 4, 2026**