JAMES ISLAND PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT (JIPSD) REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS JIPSD PROJECT NO. WW2023-03 SCDHEC SRF NO. 543-24 Phase-5 Rehabilitation of Wastewater Facilities JAMES ISLAND, CHARLESTON COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA

Sealed proposals for the JIPSD Phase-5 Rehabilitation of Wastewater Facilities Project, JIPSD Project WW2023-3, Charleston County, South Carolina, will be received by the James Island Public Service District in their office at 1739 Signal Point Road, James Island, SC 29412, until 2:00 P.M. local time on Thursday, February 8, 2024, and at that place and time will be publicly opened and read aloud.

The Work within the Phases-5 Project shall include providing all labor and materials for designated repairs and lining of approximately 102 existing manholes. The actual number of manholes to be repaired shall be dependent upon the unit costs bid for each specified item of work listed on the Bid Schedule. The scope-of-work to be performed shall be in accordance with the plans and specifications prepared by G. Robert George & Associates, Inc.

A Mandatory Pre-bid Conference will be held on Tuesday, January 23, 2024 at 2:00 P.M. local time at the James Island Public Service District Conference Room, 1739 Signal Point Road, James Island, SC 29412. Only attendees having legal authority to represent prospective bidders shall constitute compliance with this mandatory attendance requirement. Requests for clarification may be submitted to the office of the Engineer no later than 5:00 PM Thursday, February 1, 2024 after which date, no response shall be provided.

The Contract Documents may be examined at the following locations:

<u>Owner</u>	<u>Engineer</u>
James Island Public Service District	G. Robert George & Associates, Inc.
1739 Signal Point Road	2411 Savannah Highway
Charleston, South Carolina 29412	Charleston, South Carolina 29414

Copies of the Contract Documents may be obtained starting on January 8, 2024 from the office of the Engineer. A non-refundable fee of \$100.00 per set payable by check or money order to the Engineer shall be required to obtain bid documents.

This Project will be funded by a loan from the SC RIA State Revolving Fund (SRF). Bidders must comply with all applicable state and federal requirements identified in the bid documents. A condition of federal grant awards, regulations require that SRF recipients (James Island Public Service District) and contractors to make a good faith effort to award a fair share of work to qualified small, minority and women's businesses. The Project shall also include compliance with the "Davis-Bacon Act" and "American Iron and Steel" requirements.

Each proposal must be accompanied by a bid bond or certified check payable to the James Island Public Service District in the amount of five percent (5%) of the total bid price. If, upon acceptance of the bid, a Bidder fails to enter into a Contract with the James Island Public Service District, the bid security shall be forfeited to and become the property of the James Island Public Service District.

No bidder may withdraw their bid within ninety (90) days after the date of the bid opening. The successful bidder must furnish separate one hundred percent (100%) Performance and Payment Bonds issued by a surety company satisfactory to the James Island Public Service District. The successful bidder must also provide proof of fire, extended coverage, vandalism and malicious mischief insurance equal to the actual value of the insured property during construction.

Proposals may be delivered in person to the JIPSD office or by mail to P.O. Box 12140, Charleston, South Carolina 29422-2140. It is the Bidder's responsibility to deliver the proposal to the specified location prior to the time for the close of acceptance of the proposal. The James Island Public Service District assumes no responsibility for submittals received after the advertised deadline or at any office or location other than that specified herein, whether due to mail delays, courier mistake, mishandling or any other reason. If the proposal is delivered by other than hand delivery, it is recommended that the Bidder verify delivery. The JIPSD will make no reimbursement for any costs incurred prior to a formal notice to proceed should an award of contract result from this solicitation.

The James Island Public Service District reserves the right to reject any and all responses and to waive technicalities as deemed to be in the best interest of the JIPSD or reject any or all bids. The James Island Public Service District reserves the right to request additional information from bidders as deemed necessary by the JIPSD to analyze bidder qualifications. 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.