

SECTION 00100
INVITATION TO BID

Sealed bids for Contract No. 2026-1: Sanitary Sewer Extension will be received by the ORD Sewer Authority until 10:00 AM prevailing time, on July 14, 2026 at 235 Skips Lane, Osceola Mills, PA 16666, at which time they will be opened and publicly read aloud. The work consists of gravity sewer lines, forcemains, manholes, pumping stations including all sitework, electrical, piping and all required appurtenances. The project is located in Rush Township, Centre County, Pennsylvania.

Copies of the Contract Specifications and Drawings are on file and may be examined at the office of Gwin, Dobson & Foreman, Inc., 3121 Fairway Drive, Altoona, PA 16602-4496 between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. daily (prevailing local time) except Saturday, Sunday and Holidays. Sets of such documents may be obtained from the office of Gwin, Dobson & Foreman, Inc. upon payment of Five Hundred Dollars and No Cents (\$500.00) payable to Gwin, Dobson & Foreman, Inc., Phone: 814-943-5214. Payment also accepted using VISA and MasterCard. This payment will not be refunded. Contract documents may also be obtained electronically at no charge via email at aballiet@gdfengineers.com. **Bidding documents including plans, specifications and addenda, must be obtained directly from the Engineer to be considered.**

A certified check or bid bond payable to or naming as obligee ORD Sewer Authority in the amount of five percent (5%) of the bid amount must be deposited with the proposal. Bidders must submit with their bids the Non-Collusion Affidavit contained in the contract documents. The successful Bidder will be required to furnish and pay for performance and payment bonds in the full amount of the contract and submit evidence of its qualifications to perform the work.

The Successful Bidder will be required to execute the Agreement and to furnish performance and payment bonds, each of said bonds to be in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract Price, all in the respective forms provided in the Bidding Documents. The Contractor also will be required to furnish evidence of insurance coverage as required by the Bidding Documents.

All bonds shall be in the form prescribed in the Contract Documents and shall be executed by sureties as are named in the current list of "Companies Holding Certificates of Authority as Acceptable Sureties on Federal Bonds and as Acceptable Reinsuring Companies" as published in Circular 570 (amended) by the Audit Staff, Bureau of Government Financial Operations, U.S. Treasury Department.

Bidders are advised that this project is being financed by the Pennsylvania Infrastructure Investment Authority (PENNVEST). The attention of the Bidders is also directed to the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) and the Super Cross Cutter Requirements for Construction Projects funded under the PennVEST Clean Water and Drinking Water State Revolving Fund loan programs. Bidders must submit DBE contact and commitment documentation with the Bid. Refer to Section 00200 "Instruction to Bidders" for additional Contract requirements.

In addition to the Equal Employment requirements of Executive Order 11246 regarding discrimination, the CONTRACTOR must solicitate small diverse business participation in his/her aggregate on-site construction work force for contracts in excess of \$10,000.

Funding for this project originates from USEPA financial assistance dollars. Therefore, all contractors must demonstrate compliance with federal Executive Orders 11625, 12138 and 12432 and EPA Regulations at 40 CFR Part 33, through the detailed documentation of solicitation of Disadvantage Business Enterprises (DBEs). Contractors must demonstrate the Six Good Faith Efforts to identify and solicit DBE firms that are potential sources for any procurement action in the areas of project construction, equipment, services and supplies by including state qualified small businesses and minority and women owned business enterprises in the bidding process.

Notice is given that not less than the minimum wage rates set forth in the Contract Documents must be paid to employees on this project in accordance with the US Department of Labor Davis-Bacon Wage Rates.

The Contractor is subject to the provisions of the Buy America Act and American Iron and Steel requirements as amended. The Act requires that all iron and steel in the project is produced in the United States, the manufactured products in the project are produced in the United States and construction materials used in the project are produced in the United States. Buy America Act and American Iron and Steel provisions are included within the contract documents.

Proposal envelope must be sealed and clearly marked, "Proposal for ORD Sewer Authority - Contract No. 2026-1: Sanitary Sewer Extension," and bear the name and address of the Bidder.

No bids may be withdrawn, except when the bidder meets the requirements of Act No. 4 of the General Assembly of Pennsylvania Senate Bill 793, Printers No. 1655. ORD Sewer Authority reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to waive any informality and to award the contract as may be deemed by the Authority to be in their best interest. Bids shall remain open for a period of sixty (60) days from the date of Bid opening unless award is delayed by a required approval from a governmental agency, the sale of bonds, or the award of a grant or grants, in which event the Bids shall remain open for a period of one hundred twenty (120) days from the date of Bid opening.

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