

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
SHORT LINE PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT
HARRISON & WETZEL COUNTIES, WEST VIRGINIA
WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT
CONTRACT #1 - RADIO READ WATER METER SYSTEM (VENDOR BID)

General Notice

Short Line Public Service District (Owner) is requesting Bids for the construction of the following Project:

Contract #1 - Radio Read Water Meter System (Vendor Bid)
010-10143

Bids for the construction of the Project will be received at the **Short Line Public Service District**, at the office of **The Thrasher Group, Inc.** located at **600 White Oaks Boulevard, Bridgeport, WV 26330.**, until **Friday, October 4, 2024 at 10:00 am** local time. At that time the Bids received will be **public** opened and read.

The Project includes the following Work:

Purchase and delivery of all required Radio Read Water Meters including costs for Ready Drive-By Software, Leak Detection Software, Software and Interface Set-Up, and PSD Training and Support.

Bids are requested for the following: **Contract #1 - Radio Read Water Meter System (Vendor Bid).**

The Work will be substantially completed within 90 calendar days after the date when the Contract Times commence to run, and completed and ready for final payment within 120 days after the date when the Contract Times commence to run. Liquidated damages shall be \$1,000 per day.

Obtaining the Bidding Documents

Information and Bidding Documents for the Project can be found at the following designated website:

QuestCDN: <https://tinyurl.com/zu5z8553>

or

www.thethrashergroup.com

Bidding Documents may be downloaded from the designated website. Prospective Bidders are urged to register with the designated website as a plan holder, even if Bidding Documents are obtained from a plan room or source other than the designated website in either electronic or paper format. The designated website will be updated periodically with addenda, lists of registered plan holders, reports, and other information relevant to submitting a Bid for the Project. All official notifications, addenda, and other Bidding Documents will be offered only through the designated website. Neither Owner nor Engineer will be responsible for Bidding Documents, including addenda, if any, obtained from sources other than the designated website.

The Issuing Office for the Bidding Documents is:

The Thrasher Group, Inc.
600 White Oaks Boulevard
Bridgeport, WV 26330

Prospective Bidders may obtain or examine the Bidding Documents at the Issuing Office on Monday through Friday between the hours of **8:00 am to 5:00 pm**, and may obtain copies of the Bidding Documents from the Issuing Office as described below.

Printed copies of the Bidding Documents may be obtained from the Issuing Office by paying the amount of each set listed below.

Bidding Documents may be purchased from the Issuing Office during the hours indicated above. Cost does not include shipping charges. Upon Issuing Office's receipt of payment, printed Bidding Documents or electronic documents will be transmitted to the prospective Bidder. The shipping charge amount will depend on the shipping method requested. Bidding Documents are available for purchase in the following formats:

- Bidding Documents issued as hard copy specifications, are available for **\$100.00** per set.
- Bidding Documents issued as digital specifications, are available for **\$40.00** per set via the following link:

QuestCDN: <https://tinyurl.com/zu5z8553>

Amounts paid are not subject to refund.

Partial sets of Bidding Documents will not be available from the Issuing Office. Neither Owner nor Engineer will be responsible for full or partial sets of Bidding Documents, including Addenda if any, obtained from sources other than the Issuing Office.

Bidding Documents also may be examined at

Short Line Public Service District
7785 Wallace Pike
Wallace, WV 26448

The Thrasher Group, Inc.
600 White Oaks Boulevard
Bridgeport, WV 26330

Contractor's Association of WV
2114 Kanawha Boulevard East
Charleston, WV 25311

A two envelope system will be used.

Envelope No. 1 must have the following information presented on the front:

Name and address of Bidder
Bid on Contract #1 - Radio Read Water Meter System (Vendor Bid)
Received by the Short Line Public Service District

Envelope No. 2 labeled "Bid Proposal" shall also be placed inside of Envelope #1.

Envelope No. 1 will be opened first and the Bid Opening Requirement items checked for compliance as outlined on the Bid Opening Checklist on page BOR - 1 of these contract documents. If such documents are found to be in order, Envelope No. 2 "Bid Proposal", will then be opened and will be publicly read aloud. If the documents required to be contained in Envelope No. 1 are not in order, Envelope No. 2 "Bid Proposal" will not be opened and the Bid will be considered non-responsive and will be returned to the Bidder.

DBE Requirements - Each Bidder must fully comply with the requirements, terms, and conditions as set forth in the contract documents to achieve Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) participation during the performance of this contract. The bidder commits itself to the program for DBE participation and all other requirements, terms, and conditions of the bid conditions by submitting a properly signed bid.

The bidder agrees to make “good faith efforts” to sub-contract a portion of the total value of the contract to disadvantaged businesses. This shall be done in compliance with the six (6) affirmative steps as outlined in 40 CFR 31.36(e). Failure to demonstrate positive efforts to do so may lead to rejection of bids. For the purpose of this program, the term “subcontractor” includes all construction, modification, and service work contracted for by the bidder in the execution of the work under this contract.

A bidder may not withdraw his bid for a period of ninety (90) days after the date set for the opening of bids.

Nondiscrimination in Employment - Bidders on this work will be required to comply with the President's Executive Order Number 11246 and the provisions of Executive Order No. 10925 as included therein. The requirements for bidders and contractors under this order are explained in the specifications.

Suspension and Debarment – Recipient shall not entertain the use of businesses that are listed on the “System for Award Management” (SAM) at www.Sam.gov in accordance with 2 CFR Part 1532 and Subpart B and C of 2 CFR Part 180.

Prospective Bidders should note that this Contract will include the following critical requirements as identified in the Contract Documents.

1. Affirmative Action Program Requirements and Goals
2. Certificate of Non-Segregated Facilities
3. Specific Labor Standard Provisions
4. WV Contract Licensing Act – All bidders are required to have a WV Contractor’s License per Section 30-42-12 of the WV Code.
5. WV Alcohol and Drug Free Workplace Act
6. American Iron and Steel Requirement – P.L. 113-76, Section 436.
7. Any other requirements deemed critical.

American Iron and Steel Requirement – P.L. 113-76 Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2014 (ACT), includes an “American Iron and Steel” (AIS) requirement in section 436 that requires Clean Water State Revolving Loan Fund (CWSRF) and Drinking Water Revolving Loan Fund (DWSRF) assistance recipients to use iron and steel products that are produced in the United States for projects for the construction, alteration, maintenance, or repair of a public water system or treatment works.

Notice of Federal Wage Requirements – Contractors are required to comply with all laws pertaining to federal wage rates as issued in accordance with the Davis Bacon Act. The contractor will be required to pay the federal wage rates appropriate for each worker classification.

Drug Free Workplace - West Virginia Code 21-1D-5 provides that any solicitation for a public improvement construction contract requires each vendor that submits a bid for the work to submit at the same time an affidavit of compliance with the bid. The enclosed drug-free workplace affidavit must be signed and submitted in the first envelope as evidence of the vendor’s compliance with the provisions of Article 1D, Chapter 21 of the West Virginia code. Failure to submit the signed drug-free workplace affidavit in the first envelope shall result in disqualification of such bid.

Any contract or contracts awarded under this invitation for bids are expected to be funded in part by grants and loans from: the West Virginia Drinking Water State Revolving Fund. Neither the United States, the State of West Virginia nor any of their departments, agencies or employees are or will be a party to this invitation to bid or any resulting contract.

Bids received after the scheduled closing time for the reception of bids will be returned unopened to the bidders.

The Short Line Public Service District reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Pre-bid Conference

A pre-bid conference for the Project will be held on **Wednesday, September 11, 2024 at 2:00 pm** by **Short Line Public Service District**, at the office of **The Thrasher Group, Inc.** located at **600 White Oaks Boulevard, Bridgeport, WV 26330**. Attendance at the pre-bid conference for this contract is encouraged but not required. There will also be a Microsoft Teams virtual option for this Pre Bid conference. Please use the links below to join this meeting if you are unable to attend in person.

Microsoft Teams

<https://tinyurl.com/ShortLinePreBid>

Meeting ID: 246 111 065 267

Passcode: xHFSQP

Dial in by phone

[+1 304-935-0841,,716650320#](tel:+13049350841716650320)

Phone conference ID: 716 650 320#

Instructions to Bidders.

For all further requirements regarding bid submittal, qualifications, procedures, and contract award, refer to the Instructions to Bidders that are included in the Bidding Documents.

This Advertisement is issued by:

Owner: **Short Line Public Service District**

By: **Starla Bates**

Title: **Manager**

Date: **Friday, August 30, 2024 and
Friday, September 6, 2024**