NOTICE TO BIDDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that separate sealed Lump Sum Bid Proposals will be received by the Warren County (Pequest River) Municipal Utilities Authority until 11:00 AM prevailing time, on Tuesday, July 21, 2020, at the Authority's Administration Office Building located at 199 Foul Rift Road, Belvidere, New Jersey 07823. At that time, and in the manner provided herein by virtue of the COVID-19 public health emergency, Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud for the construction of:

Oxford WWTF Ultraviolet Disinfection: Contract No. 20-01

Work consists of the placement/construction of two (2) vertically oriented UV Disinfection Units (Glasco VC-NP Series, low pressure high output) or approved equal, within the existing Chlorine Contact Tank (CCT) and any ancillary equipment such as control panel, transformer, air compressor, level sensors and hoist (to remove UV modules for maintenance); Construction of a "bus stop" type enclosure to protect the UV Disinfection Units and other related equipment; Modification or removal of existing handrails for placement of enclosure and subsequent modifications to ensure compliance with all applicable safety regulations; all in accordance with the Contract Documents. All work required under the Contract Documents shall be completed and ready within the timeframes as established in the Agreement.

All Bidders must comply with the qualification requirements set forth in the Contract Documents. Bids not meeting these requirements may be considered non responsive.

The Contract Documents consisting of Notice to Bidders, Instructions to Bidders, Bid Proposal, Bid Bond, Bidding forms, Agreement, General Conditions, Supplementary Conditions, Performance Bond, Labor and Material Payment Bond, Maintenance Bond, Notice of Award, Notice to Proceed, Request for Change Order, Change Order, Drawings, Specifications and Addenda, may be examined at the following locations:

- 1) CP ENGINEERS, LLC. 35 Sparta Avenue Sparta, New Jersey 07871 (Tel. No.) (973) 300-9003 (Fax No.) (973) 300-4003
- Warren County (Pequest River) Municipal Utilities Authority
 199 Foul Rift Road, Belvidere, New Jersey 07823
 (Tel. No.) (908) 475-5412
 (Fax No.) (908) 475-5873

Copies of the Contract Documents may be obtained by bonafide Bidders at the office of CP ENGINEERS, LLC., 35 Sparta Avenue, Sparta, New Jersey upon payment of a non-refundable amount of \$75.00 for each set. Bidders must make an appointment to purchase the documents. Appointments can be made by contacting Stephen Donati at steve.donati@cpengineers.com. Contract Documents may be obtained by mail at an additional charge of \$25.00 per set. Checks shall be made payable to "CP ENGINEERS, LLC".

The attention of the Bidders is directed to the fact that a Pre-Bid Conference will be held at the in the Warren County (Pequest River) Municipal Utilities Authority's Oxford Wastewater Treatment Facility, located at 148 Pequest Road, Oxford, New Jersey 07863, at 1:00 PM on Wednesday, July 8, 2020. The Pre-Bid Meeting will be held outdoors to allow for adequate social distancing.

Preparation and submission of Bid Proposals shall be made on the furnished forms and in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders and all information and forms fully completed as may be required thereby. Bids shall be enclosed in a separate sealed envelope marked "Warren County (Pequest River) Municipal Utilities

Authority: Oxford WWTF Ultraviolet Disinfection: Contract No. 20-01- BID ENCLOSED. Bid Proposal and forms shall not be removed from the bound set of "Construction Specifications". Bidders are advised that they must complete the List of Subcontractors, Bidders Qualification Statement, Corporate Disclosure Statement (if appropriate), Non-Collusion Affidavit, and other documents, and acknowledge any Addendums issued for the Contract.

Each Bid shall be accompanied by a certified check, cashier's check, or Bid Bond, in a form satisfactory and payable to the Warren County (Pequest River) Municipal Utilities Authority, in the amount of ten (10%) percent of the Total Bid Price, not to exceed Twenty Thousand (\$20,000) Dollars. The Bid Bond shall function as a guarantee that, if the Contract is awarded to the Bidder, he will enter into an Agreement with the Warren County (Pequest River) Municipal Utilities Authority for completion of Work under the Contract, and additionally shall provide a Consent of Surety binding a surety licensed to do business within the State of New Jersey to furnish the required bonds.

Bidders are required to comply with and accept the provisions of P.L. 1975 Chapter 127 and N.J.A.C. 17:27, regarding "Affirmative Action".

The Bidder and subcontractors must be registered with the Department of Labor and Workforce Development's Division of Wage and Hour Compliance as required by the Public Works Contractor Registration Act. N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.48 et seq., and possess a Public Works Contractor Registration Certificate

Bidders are notified that Warren County (Pequest River) Municipal Utilities Authority is an exempt organization under the provision of the New Jersey Sales and Use Tax and is not required to pay a sales tax and thereby qualifies for exemptions with reference to any and all labor, services, and materials supplied to or furnished in connection with the Work performed.

The attention of the Bidder is called to the conditions of employment to be observed and minimum wage rates to be paid under the Contract. The successful Bidder shall be required to comply with the provisions of the Department of Labor's current wage rates determination, and the New Jersey Prevailing Wage Act.

The provisions of The New Jersey Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A 40A:11-1 et seq. are incorporated herein by reference. If the Contract is to be awarded, Owner will award to the lowest responsible and responsive Bidder and give the successful Bidder a Notice of Award within sixty (60) days after the day of the Bid Opening or agree upon an extension of time acceptable to any Bidders. All pre-bid modifications to this solicitation will be strictly by written addenda issued in accordance with the Local Public Contracts law, (LPCL).

The Warren County (Pequest River) Municipal Utilities Authority reserves the right to: (a) reject bids in accordance with the terms of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-13.2; (b) reject a specific bid, when determined not to be materially responsive or the bidder is determined not to be responsible; and (c) wave, or permit a post-bid cure of immaterial bid non-conformities, which may be waived or cured as a matter of law. No Bidder may withdraw its Bid during the period beginning upon Bid opening date and ending sixty (60) calendar days thereinafter.

Neither the United States nor the State of New Jersey nor any of their Departments, Agencies, or employees are or will be party to this Notice to Bidders or any resulting Contract. The Contract Documents contain appropriate guidance and language for use by the prospective Bidders.

Date: June 25, 2020

Donald Niece, Chairman, WC(PR)MUA