

SOLICITATION OF QUALIFICATIONS

FROM PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING FIRMS FOR WATER TREATMENT PLANT UPGRADE FINAL DESIGN PHASE SERVICES

The Town of Richlands Invites Statements of Qualifications (SOQ) from qualified engineering firms for Final Design and Construction Phase Services. Permitting, Surveying, and other tasks as identified in the Preliminary Engineering Report entitled, "Preliminary Engineering Report for the Richlands Distribution System DBP Improvements and Water Treatment Plant Upgrades dated December 2019."

Statements of Qualifications will be considered based on the following criteria:

1. Familiarity and verifiable experience with upgrading, design and operational methods of typical tertiary water treatment plants (20%).
2. Knowledge and experience with funding agencies of water projects in southwest Virginia (20%).
3. Qualifications and experience of individuals on project team (20%).
4. Capability to perform services in a timely manner (20%).
5. Experience in construction and start-up of water treatment plant upgrades (20%).

Offerors will be evaluated based on the factors outlined in this advertisement. Informal interviews may be conducted. Following the evaluation process, offerors, if an agreement is satisfactory and advantageous to the Town and considered fair and reasonable, the award shall be made to that offeror. Otherwise, negotiations with the offeror ranked first shall be terminated formally, and negotiations conducted with the offeror ranked second and so on until a satisfactory agreement is reached.

Three (3) copies of the SOQ shall be submitted in a sealed envelope marked "Town of Richlands WTP Upgrade" and received no later than 3:00 p.m. (local prevailing time) on Wednesday, August 26, 2020. SOQ's received after the above date/time will be rejected and returned to the offeror unopened. It is the responsibility of the offeror to ensure its SOQ is received at the appropriate location and by the designated time. No faxed or electronic SOQ's will be accepted.

Submission must be addressed to:

Mr. Timothy Taylor, Town Manager
200 Washington Square
Richlands, VA 24641

Questions may be addressed to Mr. Taylor at (276) 964-2566

The Town will not reimburse responding firms for any expenses incurred in preparing a response to this solicitation. The Town reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all submissions and to waive any formalities it deems appropriate. The Town is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer. MBE/WBE/SBE firms are encouraged to submit qualifications. Applicants must comply with the following: the President's Executive Order Number 11246 prohibiting discrimination in employment regarding race, color, creed, sex or national origin; the President's Executive Orders Number 12138 and 11625 regarding utilization of MBE/WBE firms; and the Civil Rights Act of 1964. Offerors must certify that they do not or will not maintain or provide for their employees any facilities that are segregated on the basis of race, color, creed, or national origin.