

SECTION I - ADVERTISEMENT OF BID
HERNANDO COUNTY UTILITIES DEPARTMENT
PROJECT: THE ELDRIDGE WELL REPLACEMENT

SOLICITATION NO: 10-0033

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Hernando County Board of County Commissioners will open sealed bids at **3:00 P.M., LOCAL TIME, WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2010**, in the Hernando County Purchasing and Contracts Department, located in the Government Center, 20 N. Main Street, Room 265, Brooksville, Florida, for **construction of a new 16 inch potable well with surface casing and abandonment of two wells at the Eldridge Water Plant.**

Sealed bid offers in two (2) copies for furnishing the aforesaid work will be received and accepted by the Hernando County Clerk of Circuit Court, 20 North Main Street, Room 131, Brooksville, Florida 34601-2800, until the above stipulated date and time for opening of sealed bids. For all hand-delivered bids, the Clerk's Office is open, on normal workdays, between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M.

CD's will be available to prospective bidders. A Compact Disc (CD) containing the Contract Documents and Plans will be available at the **Hernando County Utilities Department, 21030 Cortez Boulevard Brooksville, Florida, 34601, contact number (352) 754-4885.** ***If you would like a CD MAILED (overnight mail only)*** - Email a CD request to dkane@hernandocounty.us with your contact information (name, company, address and contact number) along with your FedEx or UPS account number and a CD will be mailed out to you. **There is no charge for this CD.**

Bid offers shall be accompanied by either a Proposal Bond or by a Certified Check or a Cashier's Check or an Official Bank Check in the dollar amount representing not less than five percent (5%) of the total amount bid as a guarantee to enter into a contract and furnish a contract performance and payment bond in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the total bid price within fifteen (15) calendar days from the date of notification of the award.

A one-time **MANDATORY PREBID CONFERENCE** will be held on **MONDAY, JANUARY 25, 2010 @ 10:00 A.M.** at the **Hernando County Utilities Department's Second Floor Conference Room, 21030 Cortez Boulevard, Brooksville, FL 34601.** Representatives of COUNTY and Engineer will be present to discuss the project. Bidders are **REQUIRED** to attend and participate in the conference. **THIS CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD ONLY ONCE AND FAILURE TO ATTEND AND SIGN-IN SHALL DISQUALIFY ANY BIDDER NOT ATTENDING FROM SUBMITTING A BID.** **ATTENDEES MUST BE PRESENT AT THE BEGINNING OF THE CONFERENCE. ARRIVAL AFTER THE START OF THE MEETING SHALL BE CAUSE FOR DISQUALIFICATION.**

The Engineer will issue addenda, which are considered to be necessary in response to questions arising at the conference. **ADDENDA WILL BE SENT TO PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS VIA THE E-MAIL ADDRESS ENTERED ON THE PRE-BID SIGN-IN SHEET.** The Purchasing and Contracts Department will post such addenda on the County's website at www.hernandocounty.us, follow the link to "Public Bids". ***It is the responsibility of prospective bidders to visit the County's website to insure that they are aware of all addenda issued relative to this solicitation.***

The Board of County Commissioners of Hernando County, Florida, reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids and waive informalities and minor irregularities in offers received in accordance with the bid documents and the Hernando County Procurement Ordinance.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
HERNANDO COUNTY



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