

**CITY OF EAST PROVIDENCE
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

**REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS
EP06/07-13**

**PIPING MODIFICATIONS AT THE DIGESTER BUILDING
EAST PROVIDENCE WWTF**

Qualification statements are hereby solicited by the City of East Providence from companies with expertise in wastewater treatment facility piping including the removal and installation of pumps, new ductile iron pipe, valves, fittings, cleaning of steel support structures and installation of fiberglass gratings. Scaffolding and pipe isolation techniques will also be required. Four copies of statements should be forwarded to the City Manager, Room 102, City Hall, 145 Taunton Avenue, East Providence, RI 02914 by 2:00 PM, Wednesday, March 21, 2007.

The City of East Providence owns and maintains a wastewater treatment facility. To improve the thickening and pressing operations, piping modifications within the digester building will be performed. The company must have the capability and experience required to successfully complete a project this size.

The objective of this request is to pre-qualify companies for the above noted project so as to facilitate the selection process. It is the intention of the City to identify what it deems to be the most qualified companies and to subsequently request formal bid proposals from those firms.

The specific scope of services will be detailed in the bid request, and the final award will be based on the lowest qualified evaluated bid price. This RFQ is not a request for a bid. Responses will be evaluated on the basis of the relative merits of the statement. A team of city staff will review responses to the RFQ. The following criteria will be used to evaluate the responses:

- Demonstrated expertise in similar projects including coordination of design/build projects.
- Demonstrated expertise in the completion of similar wastewater treatment facility piping projects.
- Adequate staffing and the expertise to complete the project successfully.
- Financial and bonding capability for a \$100,000 project.
- Proven ability to work with municipal governments and to complete projects on time and within budget.

Responses to this solicitation should be accompanied with a company brochure, a statement of the company's approach, a listing of personnel to be assigned to the project along with their background information, a list detailing similar projects with references, and any other information the company deems pertinent in assisting the City in adequately reviewing their capabilities. The completion dates and/or project status shall be provided for all projects listed under the experience section of the submittal.

Any questions should be directed to Erik Skadberg, City Engineer, at (401) 435-7703.

The City reserves the right to reject any/or all companies, to waive any informality in the qualification statement, and to pre-qualify any company based on what the City deems to be in it's best interest.