The City of Hialeah, Florida (hereinafter referred to as the "City"), is hereby soliciting Bids from all qualified companies to provide services associated with the Phase I – Force Main Improvements. Any qualified company ("Person") wishing to submit a Bid shall comply with the requirements contained in this Invitation to Bid ("ITB" or "Solicitation") for Phase I – Force Main Improvements (ITB Number: 2016-17-9500-00-009).

The objective of this ITB is to secure the services of an experienced and reliable contractor that is capable of furnishing, installing, and testing all piping, fittings, and appurtenances associated with various segments of pipeline that include: approximately 180 linear feet of 20-inch steel casing using a trenchless construction method; approximately 4,200 linear feet of 10-inch PVC force main; approximately 6,200 linear feet of 12-inch PVC force main; approximately 2,500 linear feet of 16-inch PVC force main. Installation of a total of five (5) different force mains, at different locations throughout the City, is included in this scope of services.

Each Bid shall be submitted in two (2) separate sealed envelopes; one (1) envelope shall contain the "Qualifications Package" and the second envelope shall contain the "Cost Package". The outside of each sealed envelope must clearly indicate the name and number of this ITB (Phase I – Force Main Improvements; ITB Number: 2016-17-9500-00-009); the Bidder's name and address; and the name and telephone number of the Bidder's contact person. Each envelope shall be marked as either the "Qualifications Package" or the "Cost Package."

Each Bid must be delivered to the City Clerk no later than the date and time specified below as the "Deadline for Submittal of Bids." Bids received after said date and time will not be considered. No time extensions will be granted. Each Bid must be delivered to the City of Hialeah, Office of the City Clerk, Hialeah City Hall, 3rd floor, 501 Palm Avenue, Hialeah, FL 33010.

The City's schedule for this Solicitation is as follows:

Event	Date	Time
Advertisement Date:	Wednesday April 5, 2017	
Last Date for Receipt of Written Questions:	Wednesday April 19, 2017	2:00 PM
Deadline for Submittal of Bids:	Wednesday May 3, 2017	11:00 AM
Evaluation of Responses:	TBD	
City Council Contract Approval Date:	TBD	

(The City reserves the right to delay or modify scheduled dates and will notify Bidders of all changes in scheduled dates.)

Bid documents, including drawings, technical specifications and proposal forms may be obtained from the Purchasing Department, located at City Hall, 501 Palm Avenue, 4th Floor, Hialeah, Florida. A $150.00, non-refundable fee is required per set, payable to the City of Hialeah, via a company check only.

Bid bond will be required. A bid bond in the amount of 5% of the bid price will be required. In the alternative, you may submit a certified check or bank draft payable to the City of Hialeah in an equivalent amount. Should the contractor fail to submit the bid bond, the bid will automatically be rejected.

Performance and Payment Bonds will be required if the contract amount exceeds $ 200,000.00. This bond is only required if the contractor is awarded the bid. It does not need to be submitted with the bid proposal. It must be submitted within 10 days of bid awarded, for the full amount of the contract in strict accordance with § 255.05, Fla. Stat. Failing to do so, bidder will forfeit bidder's bid bond.

ACCEPTANCE AND REJECTION OF BIDS

Each Bidder should carefully review the entire text of the City's Solicitation. The Solicitation describes the City's rights and the Bidder's obligations under this Solicitation. Among other things, the City reserves its right to: reject any or all Bids, with or without cause; waive minor irregularities with regard to the Bid requirements and the Bids received; and award the City's work to a Bidder that is responsive, responsible, and provides the best overall value to the City, as determined by the City in its discretion. By submitting a Bid in response to this Solicitation, a Bidder acknowledges that it accepts all of the terms, conditions, and limitations imposed on the Bidder by this Solicitation.

A Bid may be withdrawn prior to the deadline for submitting Bids to the City under this ITB. Any Bid that is not withdrawn in time shall constitute an irrevocable offer to provide the services requested herein. The offer shall remain in effect for the period of one hundred eighty (180) days after the deadline for submitting the Bid.

Please be advised that this Solicitation is issued subject to the City of Hialeah's Code of Ordinances. Communications with the Mayor, City Council, and City Staff are restricted as provided under Section 3.18 of this Solicitation.

We look forward to your active participation in this Solicitation.

Sincerely,

Luis A. Suarez
Acting Purchasing Manager