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Notice to Bidders

Sealed bids for the construction of **Caleb Street Water Main Replacement** will be received by Portland Water District (PWD) at their Portland Office (**225 Douglass Street, Portland, Maine 04102**) until **3:00pm** local time, **March 27, 2025**.

Bids may be hand delivered to the Purchasing Agent, Wesley Gilbert, weekdays during normal business hours within one (1) week of the scheduled Bid opening. Please contact Wesley at least one (1) business day in advance of drop-off at 207-774-5961 Ext. 1007.

On the day of the Bid Opening, the Purchasing Agent will receive Bids in person at the Nixon Training Room entrance at **225 Douglass Street, Portland, Maine 04102** from **2:15pm** to **3:00pm**. The bid opening will be hosted **in person** in the PWD Nixon Training Room at the address listed above.

The work shall generally consist of, but is not necessarily limited to,

1. Installation of approximately 1,440-ft of 8-inch ductile iron water main, related appurtenances, and temporary water main in Caleb Street, Portland, ME.

Electronic copies of contract documents may be obtained upon request, contact Wesley Gilbert, Purchasing Agent, 207-774-5961 ext.1007, wgilbert@pwd.org to obtain information regarding access to the files. (Paper copies are not available.)

A non-mandatory Pre-Bid Conference will be held for General Contractors in person at the PWD Nixon Training Room (address listed above) on March 12, 2025 at 2:00pm. Attendance by Subcontractors, while encouraged, is not mandatory.

Each proposal must be accompanied by Proposal Guaranty in form of certified check or bid bond in amount of five percent (5%) of the total amount of the bid. A performance bond in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the contract price, and labor and material payment bonds in like amount will be required prior to execution of the Agreement.

Bidder agrees to begin and complete work with the time frame outlined in the Agreement.

The Bidder is responsible for determining if there are Addenda to the Project by viewing the PWD project website located at <u>www.pwd.org/construction-bids</u>. The bidder is responsible for incorporating addenda into their Bid and referencing the number and date on Article 3 – Bidder's Representations of the Bid form. PWD will not post Bid Addenda any later than two (2) days prior to the bid opening without individually notifying all plan holders.

No bids may be withdrawn within sixty (60) days after date of opening thereof. Right is reserved to refuse or reject any or all bids or to waive any informality in proposals received and to award work at the discretion of the General Manager acting in the best interests of PWD.

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