NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed Bids will be received by the Village of Ridgewood, in the Courtroom, Level 4 of Village Hall, 131 North Maple Avenue, Ridgewood, New Jersey 07450 on <u>July 1, 2025 at 11:00 AM</u> prevailing time, at which time and place they will be publicly opened and read aloud for the following project.

BID NO. 2025-002 LEAD SERVICE LINE REPLACEMENTS – CONTRACT 1 NJDEP Project No. 0251001-007

The work shall include all of the equipment and material necessary to perform this task in accordance with the requirements of Ridgewood Water, Ridgewood, New Jersey 07450, as needed and described in these Bid Documents. The work generally consists of replacement of lead and galvanized portions of water service lines and related work at up to 500 addresses in Ridgewood Water's distribution territory.

Bid Packages may be obtained electronically by sending an email request to rwbids@ridgewoodnj.net, after which the Bid Documents will be emailed to the prospective bidder. Bidders interested in obtaining hard copies of the Bid Package may do so in person from the offices of Ridgewood Water, 111 North Maple Avenue, Ridgewood, New Jersey 07450, Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:30 AM and 4:30 PM, upon payment of a non-refundable fee in the amount of ten dollars (\$10) per set, cash or check payable to "Ridgewood Water."

No Bid Packages shall be given out after 4:30 PM on **June 24**, **2025**. All prospective bidders must be on record of having requested the Bid Package either electronically (via email) or in person (via sign-in sheet) to be permitted to bid on the Contract.

Bids may be submitted prior to the Bid Opening in person or by mail, addressed to the Office of the Village Clerk, Village Hall, 131 North Maple Avenue, Ridgewood, New Jersey 07450. Each bid must be enclosed in a sealed envelope with the name of the bidder thereon and endorsed, "BID responding to BID NO. 2025-002 –LEAD SERVICE LINE REPLACEMENTS – CONTRACT 1. Do Not Open Until July 1, 2025, at 11:00 AM" and must be accompanied by all required forms.

The Contractor is strongly encouraged to inspect the project site during the bid period. A non-mandatory Pre-Bid meeting will be held virtually on June 12, 2025, at 11:00 AM. Contact Courtney Schaumberg (schaumbergcm@cdmsmith.com) for the link to the virtual pre-bid meeting.

Ridgewood Water and The Village of Ridgewood assume no responsibility for loss or non-delivery of any bid sent to it prior to the Bid Opening. Bids must include and be submitted on all required Forms in the Bid Package; no other forms will be accepted. Prices quoted must be net and exclusive of all Federal, State and Local Sales and Excise Taxes.

Any award or awards may be made at a later or subsequent time or meeting of the Village Council. The contractual obligation of Ridgewood Water under this Contract for these items is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds from which payment for this Contract can be made.

The Village of Ridgewood reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive any informality or to accept a bid which, in its judgment best serves the interest of the Village. No bids may be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) days after the date and time set for the opening of bids. Award or rejection of bids will be made within this period.

Proposals submitted by Bidders and/or Bidder's Insurance Companies not chartered in the State of New Jersey, must be accompanied by proper certificate(s) from the Secretary of State, indicating that such Bidders, Bidder's Insurance Companies, and/or Surety Companies are authorized to do business in the State of New Jersey.

Bidders are required to comply with the requirements of *N.J.S.A.* 10:5-31 (*P.L.* 1975, c.127) and *N.J.A.C.* 17:27-1 et seq. regarding Affirmative Action, and Executive Order No. 11246 regarding equal employment opportunity, as amended. A complete statement as to these requirements is included in the contract documents.

In accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 58:11B-26, N.J.A.C. 7:22-3.17(a)24 and 4.17(a)24, the contractor (subcontractor) shall comply with all of the provisions of N.J.A.C. 7:22-9.

All bids must be accompanied by a bid bond and all applicable surety bonds required in connection with the advertisement and award of building contracts or subagreements must be written by a surety company listed on the Federal Treasury List (Department Circular 570—Surety Companies Acceptable on Federal Bonds), incorporated herein by reference.

This contract or subcontract is expected to be funded in part with funds from the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and the New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust. Neither the State of New Jersey, the New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust nor any of their departments, agencies or employees is, or will be, a party to this contract or subcontract or any lower tier contract or subcontract. This contract or subcontract is subject to the provisions of N.J.A.C. 7:22-3, 4, 5, 9 and 10.

By Order of the Village Manager Publication date: May 30, 2025