

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDDERS

Sealed Bids for the Leavenworth Transmission Main HDD, for the Ramsey Water Company (herein called the "OWNER") will be received by the Owner at 415 Highway 64 NW, Ramsey, IN 47166 until September 21, 2026 at 10:00 am (local time). Any Bids received later than the above time will be returned unopened. All Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at that time.

The Work shall include:

Horizontal directional drilling (HDD) of 30" HDPE, DR 7 water main below the Blue River at Breden's Bridge and below Dry Run Branch of the Blue River on State Road 62 west of mile marker 109. The project will include directional drilling runs of approximately 590 feet of main below Blue River and 790 feet of main below Dry Run Branch; concrete restraining collars, reducers, plugs, other appurtenances, hydrostatic testing and restoration of work sites, herein referred to as the Project.

Work shall be constructed under a Unit Price Contract.

Bids shall be properly and completely executed on a State Board of Accounts Form 96 (Revised 2013). Each Bid shall be accompanied by the Contractor's Bid Attachment (included with the Contract Specifications) to Form 96, a Financial Statement (completely filled out and signed) and a bid security in the form of an acceptable certified check payable to the Owner or an acceptable Bidder's bond, in an amount of not less than 5% of the total bid price, in accordance with the Contract Specifications.

The construction of the project is also expected to be funded in part by a State Revolving Fund (SRF) as administered by the Indiana Finance Authority. The Contractor to whom the Work is awarded shall comply with all requirements of said agency [agencies]. [DOC-Neither the United States nor any of its departments, agencies, or employees is or will be a party to this Advertisement for Bids or any resulting contract.]

In accordance with the Davis-Bacon requirements, all contractor and subcontractors are required to pay not less than the Federal prevailing wage rates published by the U.S. Department of Labor for each classification of Work performed on this project.

Bidders are notified that there is a 7% MBE and 5% WBE participation goal on this project.

A conditional or qualified bid will not be accepted. Award will be made to the low, responsive, responsible bidder and must be approved by the State Revolving Fund Loan as administered by the Indiana Finance Authority.

For contracts over \$300,000.00, in accordance with IC 5-16-13-10 and IC 8-23-10-0.5, Contractor must be qualified under either IC 4-13.6-4 or IC 8-23-10 (Indiana Department of Administration or Indiana Department of Transportation) before doing any Work on a Public Works project.

In accordance with IC 22-5-1.7-11.1, Contractors entering into a contract with the Owner, and contractors of any tier as defined in IC 5-16-13-4, will be required to enroll in and verify the work eligibility status of all newly hired employees through the E-Verify program (effective July 1, 2011), and comply with the reporting requirements of IC 5-16-13-11.

In accordance with IC 5-16-13-11, Contractor shall submit an Employee Drug Testing Plan with their Bid and contractors of any tier as defined in IC 5-16-13-4 must comply with the drug testing requirements set forth in IC 4-13-18. Contractors shall complete a Drug Testing Plan Certification to be submitted with their Bid.

The Owner reserves the right to waive any informalities or minor defects in bids or bidding procedure, or reject any and all bids, or to accept the bid from the lowest most responsible and responsive bidder as exclusively determined by the Owner. Any bid may be withdrawn prior to the above scheduled time for the opening of bids or authorized postponement thereof. No Bidder may withdraw a bid within 90 days after the actual date of the opening thereof. Should there be reasons why the contract cannot be awarded within the specified period, the time may be extended by mutual agreement between the Owner and the Bidder determined by the Owner to be the lowest most responsible and responsive.

Submission of a signed Bid by the Bidder constitutes acknowledgment of and acceptance of all the documents and terms and conditions of the Contractual-Legal Requirements and Technical Sections of the specifications in the Project Manual.

The Contractor to whom the Work is awarded will be required to furnish an acceptable Performance and Payment Bond each in the amount of 100% of the contract price and must be in full force and effect throughout the term of the Construction Contract plus a period of twelve (12) months from the date of substantial completion.

The Contractor to whom the Work is awarded will be required to purchase and maintain insurance coverage as described in the Contract Documents on an "occurrence basis".

Copies of the Drawings and Specifications for the Work are on file (for viewing purposes only) at Ramsey Water Company, 415 Highway 64 NW, Ramsey, IN 47166; and the Engineer's office, Wessler Engineering, 5401 Vogel Road, Suite 410, Evansville, Indiana 47715, Telephone (812) 746-5475. All copies are distributed to Contractors and other interested parties by Wessler Engineering, Inc. (www.wesslerengineering.com/planroom/) for a non-refundable fee. A complete digital set of bidding documents is available for \$100. A complete hard copy set of bidding documents is available for \$200.

An up-to-date Planholders List may be viewed at <http://www.wesslerengineering.com/planroom/>.

A virtual Pre-Bid Conference will be held at 2:00 pm (local time) on August 26, 2026 via video conference. Video conference details will be provided with bid documents. Bidders are encouraged to attend the Pre-Bid Conference.

Ramsey Water Company, Inc.

/S/ Karl Benz, President

Attest: /S/ Brian Wehneman, Secretary

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