

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND LETTING

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS, PROPOSED FORM OF CONTRACT, FOR ELECTRICAL MATERIALS FOR REMSEN MUNICIPAL UTILITIES, REMSEN, IOWA, AND THE TAKING OF BIDS FOR SAID EQUIPMENT.

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the City Administrator of Remsen, Iowa, at the City Office, 008 W 2nd Street, Remsen, Iowa 51050, before **1:30 P.M. on February 15, 2023**, for Furnishing Electrical Materials – OH to UG Conversion and Mainline Circuit Improvements for Remsen Municipal Utilities in Remsen, Iowa. At said time, the bids will be publicly opened and read aloud in the Utilities Boardroom, 008 W 2nd Street, Remsen, Iowa 51050. Bids will be considered by the Board of Directors at its meeting at 5:30 PM on February 20, 2023, in the Utilities Boardroom at the City Office, 008 W 2nd Street, Remsen, Iowa 51050. The Board of Directors may award contracts at said meeting or at such other time and place as shall then be announced.

The materials to be supplied are described in general as follows:

- 15 kV Primary Power Cable
- Secondary Power Cable
- 15 kV Padmount Switchgear (Air-Insulated, Dead Front) and associated boxpads
- Single-Phase Padmount Distribution Transformer and associated boxpads
- Three-Phase Padmount Distribution Transformers and associated boxpads

The materials are part of a distribution system public improvement project which will be located at various locations throughout the City of Remsen, Iowa.

The above materials shall be in accordance with the specifications and proposed form of contract now on file in the office of the Municipal Electric Utility in said City of Remsen, Iowa, by this reference made a part hereof, as though fully set out and incorporated herein.

Complete digital project bidding documents are available at www.questcdn.com. You may download the digital plan documents at no charge by inputting **Quest project #8371583** on the website's Project Search page. Please contact QuestCDN.com at 952-233-1632 or info@questcdn.com for assistance in free membership registration, downloading, and working with this digital project information. An optional paper set of the proposal forms and specifications at no charge for individual use may be obtained from the office of the Engineer, DGR Engineering, 1302 South Union, P.O. Box 511, Rock Rapids, Iowa 51246, telephone 712-472-2531, Fax 712-472-2710, e-mail: dgr@dgr.com.

Each bid shall be made out on a blank form furnished by the Utility and must contain bid security as required by Iowa Code Section 26.8. The bidder's security shall be in the form of either (1) a cashier's check or certified check drawn on a state-chartered or federally chartered bank, in an amount equal to ten (10) percent of the amount of the Bid; or (2) a certified share draft drawn on a state-chartered or federally chartered credit union, in an amount equal to ten (10) percent of the amount of the Bid; or (3) a bid bond executed by a corporation authorized to contract as a surety in the State of Iowa, in an amount equal to ten (10) percent of the amount of the Bid. The bid security shall be made payable to Remsen Municipal Utilities - Remsen, Iowa. The bid security must not contain any conditions either in the body or as an endorsement thereon. Such bid security shall be forfeited to the Utility as liquidated damages in the event the successful bidder fails or refuses to enter into a contract within fifteen (15) days after the award of contract and post a satisfactory Performance Bond.

The sealed envelope containing the bid shall be clearly marked “BID ENCLOSED – FURNISHING ELECTRICAL MATERIALS” on the outside of the envelope.
Payment to the Supplier will be made as described in the Material Agreement.

Delivery of the materials may start after execution of Contract Documents. All materials shall be delivered per the dates set in the Specifications.

By virtue of statutory authority, a preference will be given to products and provisions grown, and coal produced within the State of Iowa, and preference shall be given to Iowa domestic labor in the construction of said improvements. The Owner will, in evaluating Bids, consider the requirements of the resident bidder preference law, and allow such preferences to resident bidders as are required to be allowed under State Law. Bidder shall, when submitting a Bid, furnish an executed Bidder Status Form for the Owner to use when applying the preference law. Failure to submit a fully completed Bidder Status Form with the bid may result in the bid being deemed nonresponsive and rejected.

The Board of Directors reserves the right to defer acceptance of any proposal for a period not to exceed thirty (30) days after the date proposals are received and no proposal may be withdrawn during this period. The Utility Board also reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive informalities and irregularities in the form of the bid and enter into such contract as it shall deem to be in the best interest of the Utility.

Publication upon order of the Board of Directors of Remsen Municipal Utilities, Remsen, Iowa.

Dated this 18th day of January 2023.

REMSEN MUNICIPAL UTILITIES
REMSEN, IOWA

By /s/ Rachel Keffeler
City Administrator