NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the General Manager of Rock Rapids Municipal Utilities, Rock Rapids, Iowa, at the Utility Offices, 310 South Third Avenue, Rock Rapids, Iowa 51246 until 1:30 PM, on December 17th, 2026, at said time and place, proposals will be publicly opened and read. The Board of Trustees will meet at the Utility Offices on December 28th, 2026 at 3:30 PM, at which time and place the said Board will consider adoption of the plans and specifications, and proposed form of contract for the Generator Building and Generator Addition project, which are now on file at the office of the Utilities. At said meeting, the Board will conduct a public hearing and take action on the received proposals.

The proposed construction is described in general as follows:

> The general nature of the work on which bids will be received consists of the construction of a new generating plant building, installation of one (1) new diesel-fired generating unit and auxiliary equipment, along with the connection to the power plant switchgear.

The above work shall be in accordance with the specifications and proposed form of contract now on file in the offices of, Rock Rapids Municipal Utilities, Rock Rapids, 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 the **Quest project # 10439154** on the website's Project Search page. Please contact QuestCDN.com at 952-233-1632 or success@na.hubexo.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 for individual use may be obtained from the office of the Engineer, DGR Engineering, 1302 South Union Street, PO Box 511, Rock Rapids, IA 51246, telephone: 712-472-2531, fax: 712-472-2710, email: dgr@dgr.com, no deposit required.

Each bid shall be made out on a blank form furnished by the Rock Rapids Municipal Utilities 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 Rock Rapids Municipal Utilities. The bid security must not contain any conditions either in the body of as an endorsement thereon. Such bid security shall be forfeited to the Rock Rapids Municipal Utilities 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 the contract and post satisfactory Performance and Payment Bonds.

The sealed envelope containing the bid shall be clearly marked "BID ENCLOSED – GENERATOR BUILDING AND GENERATOR ADDITION" on the outside of the envelope.

Payment to the Contractor for said construction work will be made from cash on hand of such other funds that legally may be used or obtained for such purposes. Estimates will be paid monthly by the Utility to the Contractor in accordance with the following schedule:

> Ninety-seven (97) percent upon certification of units completed; three (3) percent within thirty (30) days after final completion and acceptance.

Construction may be started after the execution of the Construction Agreement (the Contract) and the issuance of the Notice to Proceed. Substantial Completion of the project shall be no later than March 17, 2028. See the "Construction Schedule" of the Technical Specifications for special instructions relating to this project.

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.

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

This notice is given by order of the Rock Rapids Municipal Utilities, Rock Rapids, Iowa.

Dated this 19th day of November, 2026.

ROCK RAPIDS MUNICIPAL UTILITIES
ROCK RAPIDS, IOWA

By /s/ Jennifer Wippert
General Manager