NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that on **November 3, 2022, at 9:00 A.M**. (Prevailing time), bids will be opened and read on zoom and conducted on electronic platform in accord with N.J.A.C. 5:34-1 et. Seq., on BidNet Direct at www.bidnetdirect.com//vernontownship, and broadcast and recorded via zoom, at which time and place the sealed bids will be opened publicly and read for the following:

Bid # 1- Pump Station No. 2 Replacement

The proposed Pump Station No. 2 to replace the existing pump station will consist of a submersible type pump station with a wet well, two (2) submersible pumps, a comminutor, and a valve / meter vault. A utility building will be constructed to house an emergency standby generator, odor control feed system, and electrical and control panels. The existing Pump Station No. 2 will be demolished.

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] Infrastructure Bank. Neither the State of New Jersey, the New Jersey [Environmental Infrastructure Trust] Infrastructure Bank 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.

The successful bidder must comply with all the provisions of N.J.A.C. 7:22-9.1 et seq. for the participation of small business enterprises owned and controlled by socially and economically disadvantaged individuals (SEDs). The successful bidder shall comply with N.J.A.C. 7:22-3.17(a)24 and 7:22-4.17(a), or 7:22-6.17(a)24, which require that no less than ten (10) percent of the total amount of all contracts related to the project shall be awarded to SEDs.

NOTE:

It is the bidder's responsibility to ensure that the bid package is delivered by the bid opening date and time. Any bid document received after the deadline established by the Department of Purchasing will not be accepted, regardless of the method of delivery.

If indicated, bid proposals must be accompanied by a certified check, cashier's check, or bid bond in the amount of ten per centum (10%) of the total amount of the bid, but not in excess of twenty thousand (\$20,000) dollars and made payable to the Township of Vernon. If bids are to be submitted electronically in accord with this notice, then the bidder shall submit a copy of the bid guarantee with electronic submittal and mail PRIOR to bid opening the original to the Municipal Clerks office 21 Church Street, Vernon, N.J. 07462. The bid bond may also be provided in certified check and cashiers check in accord with provisions within general requirements of this bid.

Surety Bonds must be written by surety companies listed on Department Circular 570 in accordance with N.J.A.C. 7:22-3.17(g).

Zoom opening information and questions may be obtained from the Qualified Purchasing Agent at:

Sean P. Canning, QPA scanning@TheCanningGroup.org

The Township of Vernon does not release the project estimate.

Bidders are required to comply with the requirements of N.J.S.A.10:5-31 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 17:27.

Bid Tabulation:

Bid results will be posted on the Township website at <u>www.bidnetdirect.com//vernontownship</u> within 24 hours of the bid opening.

This bid has been advertised in accordance with the "Fair and Open Basis" and nothing further shall be required under the Pay-to-Play Legislation (N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5).

Date: October 3, 2022, Charles Voelker, Business Administrator