

# TOWN OF NORTH READING



## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

W17-3001-B

### WATER METER REPLACEMENT INSTALLATION - TOWNWIDE INVITATION FOR BIDS

Sealed bids for furnishing the following item will be received at the Office of the Director of DPW, at the DPW Operations Building, 235 North Street, North Reading, MA 01864 until the time specified below at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read.

**The scope of work includes installation of approximately 5,000 Neptune water meters with absolute encoder registers and wired RF modules ranging in size from 5/8-inch through 6-inch. The Meters and RF modules shall be purchased by the Owner under a separate contract. Installation shall include removing the existing meters, registers, RF modules and wiring, and furnishing all incidentals required to complete installations.**

The required contract completion period is 270 consecutive days from the date on the Notice to Proceed.

Contract Documents may be viewed and downloaded as a Portable Document Format (PDF) file free of charge at [www.accentblueprints.com](http://www.accentblueprints.com). Copies may be obtained for a fee by completing an order online or by calling 978-362-8038 for each set. Completed orders may be picked up at the office of Accent Printing located at 99 Chelmsford Road, North Billerica, MA 01862 (978-362-8038), from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Copies may also be shipped to prospective bidders for an additional charge to cover handling and mailing fees. All payments for printing and shipping are nonrefundable.

**Bids will be opened in the Office of the Director of DPW on November 21, 2017, at 11:00 a.m. Each Bid must be accompanied by a bid security consisting of a BID BOND, CASH, or, CERTIFIED CHECK issued by a responsible bank or trust company in the amount of 5% of the bid price.**

A performance bond in an amount equal to 100 percent of the total amount of the contract price with a surety company qualified to do business in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts will be required for the faithful performance of the contract, as well as a labor and materials bond in an amount equal to 100 percent of the total contract price.

All bids for this project are subject to applicable public bidding laws of Massachusetts, including, but not limited to G.L. c.30, §39M.

Attention is directed to the minimum wage rates to be paid as determined by the Commissioner of Labor and Workforce Development and the weekly payroll record submittal requirements under the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 149, Section 26 through 27D inclusive.

Selection of the contractor will be based upon bidder qualifications, including evidence of past performance in similar projects, and bid price. The contract will be awarded to the bidder deemed by the awarding authority to be the lowest responsible and eligible bidder.

The bidder agrees that its bid shall be good and may not be withdrawn for a period of 30 days, Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays excluded, after the opening of the bids.

The Town reserves the right to waive any informalities, to accept or reject, in whole or in part any or all bids, or take whatever other action may be deemed to be in the best interest of the Town.