

**LEGAL NOTICE****IFB 2020-15**

The Reading Municipal Light Department (RMLD) intends to contract for and extends an invitation to submit sealed bids for:

**Hourly Rates for As Needed Distribution Line Work
of All Types**

The RMLD will receive sealed bids until **12:00 p.m., Wednesday, September 23, 2020**, via USPS mail sent to 230 Ash Street, Reading, Massachusetts, 01867, or delivered to the white mailbox in the visitor parking lot of the same address. Bids will be opened at **12:00 p.m., Thursday, September 24, 2020** and, due to the RMLD Office being closed to the public in light of the Covid-19 restrictions, read aloud while being recorded. The Bid results will be immediately published on the RMLD Website and sent to Bidders. Bids received after the time of announced opening will not be accepted.

This IFB is being issued under Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 30, § 39M.

Bid documents and bid forms may be obtained via email request to Maureen Sullivan at msullivan@rml.com. For questions or further information, please contact Maureen Sullivan at 781-942-6441.

Each bid must be accompanied by a certified or cashier's check payable to the RMLD for a sum not less than 5% of the total amount of the bid. In lieu of a check, a bid bond may be submitted in an amount not less than 5% of the total amount of the bid, unless otherwise stated. The bond must be from a corporate surety licensed to do business in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, conditioned that the bidder will pay the RMLD, as liquidated damages, the amount specified in the bond unless the bidder enters into a contract in accordance with the bid. If the bidder fails to enter into the contract or furnish any required bonds, insurance documents, or other required documents within ten (10) days from the date on which the bidder is notified that the bid has been accepted, the amount of the check or bid bond shall be forfeited to the RMLD.

The RMLD reserves the right to reject any and all bids, including and without limitation the right to reject any or all non-responsive, unbalanced or conditional bids, and to reject any bid if the RMLD believes that it would not be in the best interest of the RMLD to make the award to that bidder. RMLD also reserves the right to waive any minor informalities not involving price, time or changes to the work.

No agreement shall be valid or binding unless duly executed via contract or other writing signed by an authorized representative of the RMLD.

RMLD will make reasonable efforts to review and process bids promptly. However, RMLD will not be liable for any delays in acting on a bid.