INVITATION TO BID Essex Junction STP 5300(14)

Sealed bids from pre-qualified contractors shall be accepted until **2:00 PM**, prevailing time on **Monday, April 17, 2017** at the Village of Essex Junction offices (2 Lincoln Street, Essex Junction, VT, 05452) for construction of the project hereinafter described. Bid opening will occur immediately after the bid submittal deadline. The time of receiving and opening bids may be postponed due to emergencies or unforeseen conditions.

Sealed BIDS shall be marked in the lower left hand corner: Bid: Essex Junction STP 5300(14)

Each BID must be accompanied by a certified check payable to the Village of Essex Junction for five percent (5%) of the total amount of the BID. A BID bond may be used in lieu of a certified check.

PREQUALIFICATION OF CONTRACTORS: All bidders on this project shall be on the Agency of Transportation's prequalified list under the category Roads and Highway Construction; or shall have submitted a complete prequalification application to the Agency of Transportation, Contract Administration, a minimum of 10 working days (April 3, 2017) prior to the bid opening. All bidders on this project must also obtain unconditioned project specific approval through the "Standard Form - Request for Proposal" CA-82 form. This form must be submitted to the Agency of Transportation, Contract Administration, by noon on the 7th working day (April 6, 2017) prior to the bid opening. These documents are available at: http://vtranscontracts.vermont.gov/prequalification. For information contact Jon Winter at (802) 828-2643.

LOCATION: Beginning on Pearl Street at the Essex Junction Shopping Center / Post Office Square intersection, and continuing southeast along Pearl Street to the Five Corners intersection (Pearl, Park, Maple, Main and Lincoln Streets).

TYPE OF CONSTRUCTION: Work to be performed under this project includes new concrete sidewalks, and curbs, street lighting, pavement overlay, pavement markings, bike lanes, traffic signals, a rectangular rapid flashing beacon, and other related items.

CONTRACT COMPLETION DATE: The Contract shall be substantially completed on or before **October 27, 2017**; with a final completion date no later than **July 13, 2018**.

OBTAINING PLANS: Plans and Contract Documents may be obtained from Donald L. Hamlin Consulting Engineers, Inc., 136 Pearl Street, Essex Jct., VT 05452, (802) 878-3956, rhamlin@dlhce.net. Plans and Contract Documents will be available beginning on Wednesday, March 22, 2017.

Plans are \$200.00 per set, plus postage (if applicable), payable to Donald L. Hamlin Consulting Engineers, Inc. Plans are not returnable or refundable.

Electronic copies of the Plans and Contract Documents will not be made available. Partial sets are not available.

ENGINEERS ESTIMATE: For this Proposal, the Engineers Estimate is between \$1,500,000 and \$3,000,000.

PLANS AND CONTRACT DOCUMENTS MAY BE SEEN AT THE OFFICE OF:

- Village of Essex Junction, 2 Lincoln Street, Essex Junction, VT 05452 (802) 878-6944
- Donald L. Hamlin Consulting Engineers, Inc., 136 Pearl St, Essex Jct., VT 05452 (802) 878-3956
- 3. Works in Progress, Inc., 20 Farrell Street, South Burlington, VT 05403 (802) 658-3797
- 4. Reprographics of New England, 450 Weaver Street, Winooski VT 05404 (802) 658-0424

PREBID CONFERENCE: A non-mandatory pre-bid conference will be held for the project on **Tuesday, April 4, 2017 at 9:00 AM** in the Village of Essex Junction offices at 2 Lincoln Street, Essex Junction, VT.

STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS: This contract is governed by the Vermont Agency of Transportation (VTrans) 2011 Standard Specifications for Construction.

QUESTIONS: During the advertisement phase of this project all questions shall be addressed solely to Rick Hamlin, PE, Donald L. Hamlin Consulting Engineers, 136 Pearl Street, Essex Jct., VT 05452, (802) 878-3956, rhamlin@dlhce.net. **The deadline for all questions is Monday, April 10, 2017.**

EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY (EEO) CERTIFICATION: Certification is required by the Equal Employment Opportunity regulations of the Secretary of labor (41 CFR 60-1.7(b) (1)) and must be submitted by bidders and proposed subcontractors only in connection with contracts and subcontracts which are subject to the equal opportunity clause. Generally only contracts and subcontracts of \$10,000 or under are exempt as set forth in 41 CFR 60-1.5. See Appendix A for Contractors EEO Certification Form (CA-109). **This Form must be submitted with the Bid.**

NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT: All bidders are required to execute a sworn statement, certifying that the bidder has not, either directly or indirectly, entered into any agreement, participated in any collusion, or otherwise taken any action in restraint of free competitive bidding in connection with such contract. See Appendix B for Debarment and Non-Collusion Affidavit (CA-91). **This Affidavit must be submitted with the Bid.**

DEBARMENT AFFIDAVIT: All bidders are required to execute a sworn statement, certifying that the bidder has not within the last three (3) years been, suspended, debarred, voluntarily excluded or determined ineligible by any Federal or State Agency; does not have a proposed suspension, debarment, voluntary exclusion or ineligibility determination pending; and has not been indicted, convicted or had civil judgment rendered against (it, him, her, them) by a court having jurisdiction in any matter involving fraud or official misconduct within the past three (3)

years. See Appendix B for Debarment and Non-Collusion Affidavit (CA-91). **This Affidavit must be submitted with the Bid.**

NON-DISCRIMINATION IN FEDERALLY ASSISTED CONTRACTS: The Village of Essex Junction hereby notifies all bidders that it will ensure that any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the basis of race, color, religion, sex or national origin for an award. This is consistent with the Village's requirement to comply with provisions of Title VI.

DAVIS BACON WAGE REQUIREMENTS: Bidders agree to abide by the Davis Bacon Wage Rate Schedule, which are appended to these Contract Documents.

BUY AMERICA REQUIREMENTS: Buy America requirements of 23 CFR 635.410 are applicable to all Federal-aid construction projects. All steel or iron products permanently incorporated into Federal-aid projects, shall be products that have been entirely manufactured within the United States. All manufacturing processes of the steel or iron material, in a product, must occur within the United States to be considered of domestic origin. This includes process such as rolling, extruding, machining, bending, grinding, and drilling. The action of applying a coating to a material is deemed a manufacturing process subject to Buy America. Coating includes epoxy coating, galvanizing, painting, and any other coating that protects or enhances the value of the material.

This requirement does not prevent a minimal use of foreign materials, provided the cost of foreign materials used does not exceed 0.1 percent of the total Contract price or \$2,500, whichever is greater. The cost of foreign steel or iron is defined as its value delivered to the project.