

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed Bids for the construction of the River Street Sewer Repair will be received by the Newport Utilities (Owner), at 170 Cope Blvd, Newport, TN 37821 ATTN: Procurement until 2:00 PM local time on May 12, 2026, at which time the Bids received will be publicly opened and read.

The Project includes the abandonment of approximately 99 linear feet of existing gravity sewer, along with one existing manhole, and the installation of approximately 69 LF of proposed 24-inch (R.J.) DIP in approximately 62 LF of 36-inch steel casing via jack and bore, and three new manholes within railroad and public rights-of-ways. Work will include vertical excavation shoring for launching, receiving, and trench excavations, bypass sewer pumping, dewatering, traffic control, survey and track monitoring, and other miscellaneous work for a complete installation.

Bids will be received for a single prime Contract. Bids shall be on a unit price basis as indicated in the Bid Form.

Prospective Bidders may examine the Bidding Documents at Ardurra, 10025 Investment Drive, Suite 120, Knoxville, TN 37932, on Mondays through Thursdays between the hours of 8:00AM and 5:00PM, or online at www.cci-corp.com and may obtain copies of the Bidding Documents as described below.

For Bidding Documents and Technical Questions, Contact Eric Gamble, P.E., phone: 865-770-4034, email: egamble@ardurra.com. In addition to the above locations, bid documents can also be viewed at the Builder's Exchange of Tennessee website, www.bxtn.org. Printed copies of the Bidding Documents may be obtained from the Issuing Office, during the hours indicated above, upon payment of a non-refundable deposit of \$150.00 for each set. Upon request and receipt of the document deposit indicated above, the Issuing Office will transmit the Bidding Documents via delivery service; shipping is standard overnight delivery. Digital Downloads will be available from the Issuing Office at www.cci-corp.com "Bid Information" (bottom of the webpage) or at www.questcdn.com (Project 10131933) for a non-refundable fee of \$22.00. The date that the Bidding Documents are transmitted by the Issuing Office will be considered the Bidder's date of receipt of the Bidding Documents. Partial sets of Bidding Documents will not be available from the Issuing Office.

Neither Owner nor Engineer will be responsible for full or partial sets of Bidding Documents, including Addenda if any, obtained from sources other than the Issuing Office.

A non-mandatory pre-bid conference will be held at 10:00 A.M. local time on April 28, 2026 at Newport Utilities' Operations Center, located at 1419 W. Highway 25/70, Newport, TN 37821, inside the auditorium. Following the pre-bid conference a site tour will occur at the project site.

The deadline for submitting questions is May 6, 2026 at 5:00 P.M. local time. All questions shall be sent in writing to Eric Gamble (egamble@ardurra.com), no verbal questions or responses will be accepted.

Bid security shall be furnished in the amount of five percent of the total bid amount in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders. The successful Bidder will be required to furnish a satisfactory Performance Bond and Payment Bond each in the amount of 100-percent of the Base Bid.

The bidder awarded the contract shall complete this project to Substantial Completion within 90 calendar days. Final Completion shall be within 120 calendar days. Liquidated damages will be assessed at \$500 per calendar day.

The Owner hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively insure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, or national origin in consideration for an award. The Owner is an Equal Opportunity Employer. Any contract that uses federal funds to pay for construction work is a "federally assisted construction contract" and must include the equal opportunity clause found in 2 C.F.R. Part 200, unless otherwise stated in 41 C.F.R. Part 60. We encourage all small and minority owned firms and women's business enterprises to participate.

The Award will be made to the lowest, responsive, responsible bidder. The OWNER reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any informalities or technicalities therein.

Owner: Newport Utilities
By: Michael Williford
Title: General Manager