INVITATION TO BID

Legal Notice Bid No. 16-14

- 1. Sealed bids for ITB 16-14, Phase I and Phase II Mass Grading Improvements for Oconee Industry & Technology Park owned by Oconee County, SC will be received by Oconee County at the Oconee County Procurement Office, Room 100, at 415 South Pine Street, Walhalla, SC 29691 **until 2:00 PM on March 1, 2017** at which time they will be publicly opened.
- 2. The bid is comprised of two options, a Phase I Mass Grading Improvements and a Phase II Mass Grading Improvements. The projects consist of the following generally described work:

Phase I Mass Grading Improvements: Early site package to include Mass Grading Improvements on approximately 9 acres within the Oconee Industry & Technology Park (OITP). The project is comprised of clearing, grading, stormwater and erosion control improvements for the 9 acres site.

Phase II Mass Grading Improvements: Mass Grading Improvements for 110 acres within the Oconee Industry and Technology Park. The Mass Grading Improvements will include clearing, grading, installation of storm drainage and erosion control improvements. No pavements or water/sewer utilities are included in the contract. If Phase 2 is selected, the Building Pad area shown in the Phase I Mass Grading Improvements plans must be delivered first before moving to other areas of the site. The County reserves the right to award either contract.

- 3. There are two sets of plans (Phase I Mass Grading and Phase II Mass Grading) and one set of specifications. The Plans and Specifications are open to inspection at Thomas & Hutton or Print It! in Seneca. The documents may be obtained from Thomas & Hutton Engineering Co., 304 N. Church Street, Greenville, SC 29601 upon payment of <u>\$100.00</u> (plus shipping charges as applicable). The payment is <u>non-refundable</u>. Plans and specifications may also be ordered online from Print It! (at <u>www.printitincolor.com</u>) Once ordered online, arrangements can be made for pick up or shipping from Print It! at 11071 Radio Station Road, Seneca, SC 29678; Contact Jennifer Gordon at (864)882-3609. When requesting drawings, specifications or contract documents, you are REQUIRED to provide the following information about your company: Contact person's name, company name, mailing address; street (UPS) address; telephone number; and e-mail address.
- 4. Questions and interpretations must be submitted in writing to the engineer, Thomas and Hutton, Ryan Page at <u>page.r@thomasandhutton.com</u>. The deadline for questions is **February 22, 2017 at 2:00pm EST**.
- 5. Bids shall be accompanied by a bid bond or certified cashier's check in an amount not less than 5% of the base bid. All bonds shall be by a surety company licensed in **South Carolina** with an "A" minimum rating of performance and a financial strength of at least five times the contract price as listed in the most current publication of "Best's Key Rating Guide Property Liability." Performance and Payment Bonds, each in an amount equal to 100% of the contract price shall be required of the successful bidder if contract is awarded. Each Bond shall be accompanied by a "Power of Attorney" authorizing the attorney-in-fact to bind the surety and certified to include the date of the bond.

6. Owner reserves the right to reject any or all Bids, including without limitation, the rights to reject any or all nonconforming, nonresponsive, unbalanced or conditional Bids and to reject the Bid of any Bidder if Owner believes it would not be in the best interest of the Project to make an award to Bidder, whether because the Bid is not responsive or the Bidder is unqualified or of doubtful financial ability or fails to meet any other pertinent standard or criteria established by the Owner.

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