

Chugach Electric Association, Inc. INVITATION TO BID October 16, 2025

Via e-mail

TO: Chugach Electric Association, Inc., 2024 – 2025 Outside Electrical Line Construction Contract Contractors

You are invited to submit a proposal for Chugach Work Order E2020053, Quartz Creek 115kV T-Line Rebuild – Girdwood to Indian Phase 2.

Non-Disclosure Agreement (NDA) Required:

The documents provided by Chugach are confidential; the Bid Documents and attachments contain large amounts of system information. These documents will be provided upon receipt of a Non-Disclosure Agreement (NDA) provided to prospective Bidders by Chugach Electric. Prospective Bidders may coordinate with Chugach Electric Engineering for NDA paperwork as necessary.

Access to the Bid documents will be provided to the Bidders through ShareFile upon receipt of the NDA.

The Quartz Creek to Anchorage 115kV Transmission line was built in 1962 using wood H-frame construction, 556 kcmil, ACSR "Dove" conductor and insulated to 115kV. Many of the structures have reached the end of their service life. Approximately 3 miles of transmission line will be re-built through this project. The existing transmission line structures, conductors, guys and anchors will be retired, and replaced with new structures, conductor, guys and anchors, and installation of all dielectric self supporting (ADSS) fiber optic communication cable. The re-built line will be constructed using a combination of steel and wood H-frame construction. The re-built line section will use 795 kcmil, ACSR "Drake" conductor insulated to 230kV. The transmission line work begins at existing structure 23-8 to existing structure 25-7 and the replacement of Girdwood Tap. It also includes adding the ADSS cable between existing Structures 25-7 and 27-3.

This project is subject to the union signatory sections of Chugach's Outside or Generation Agreements contained in Exhibit N of the 2024 – 2025 Outside Electrical Line Construction Contract. Please note that bidding is open to all contractors regardless of union signatory status. Contractors are not required to be signatory to a current collective bargaining agreement with IBEW Local 1547 in order to bid on the project. The signatory requirement only becomes applicable to the successful bidder once a contract is awarded. The successful bidder can comply by either establishing that (1) it is signatory to a current collective bargaining agreement with IBEW Local 1547, (2) by executing a collective bargaining agreement with International Brotherhood Electrical Workers (IBEW) Local 1547, or (3) by executing an agreement with IBEW Local 1547 to comply with the terms and conditions set forth in the most current agreement between IBEW Local 1547 and the Alaska Chapter National Electrical Contractors Association (NECA), Inc. If the successful bidder elects the third option, the Agreement will be limited to the scope of the work and duration of the project.



Please base your bids on the following conditions:

- All Contractor bids must be valid until 5:00 pm, January 6, 2026. After that time the Contractor shall have the option of retracting its bid. Projects awarded as late as and including the last day the Contractor's bids are valid and not subject to contractor claim for delay of award.
- Contractor shall begin work within 30 calendar days of Notice to Proceed (NTP).
- Substantial completion date is June 30, 2026
- Liquidated Damages (LDs) in the amount of \$15,000 per outage day in excess of 15 total project outage days unless there are special extenuating circumstances that are approved by Chugach. LDs will continue each day Contractor fails to complete the work by the completion date specified above.
- Liquidated Damages in the amount of \$5,000 in excess of two hours each for two outages that are anticipated to be needed to transfer between Girdwood substation power sources, unless there are special extenuating circumstances that are approved by Chugach. LD's will continue at \$500 for each hour Contractor fails to restore power to Girdwood substation.
- As-built drawings are required.
- A Bid Bond is required.
- Builder's risk insurance is required.
- Written releases of liens are required.

The following items must be included in the bid proposal or the Contractor will be considered unresponsive:

- 1. A bid bond is required. A bid bond in the amount of 10% of the bid shall be provided with the bid documents. A certified check made payable to "Chugach Electric Association, Inc." may be substituted for the bid bond.
- 2. A detailed work plan with schedule in MS Projects format
- 3. Company organizational chart with resumes of key personnel
- 4. Acknowledgement of addenda
- 5. Bid sheet
- 6. Bid schedule (PDF and excel file)
- 7. List of subcontractors (include a description of the service that they will provide on this project)
- 8. List of assumptions, exceptions, and qualifications

A pre-bid meeting is scheduled for 2:00 PM Alaska Time, October 22, 2025 in the South Denali Conference Room at Chugach's Head Quarters Building in Anchorage, Alaska. For the conference room pre-bid



meeting an electronic web-based communications mediums such as "Teams" will be available for additional Contractor and Chugach personnel.

All bids shall be submitted by email To: <u>Chris Kohler@chugachelectric.com</u> CC: <u>Joash Marquez@chugachelectric.com</u> and must be received prior to 2:00 PM Alaska Time, November 11, 2025.

The Notice to Proceed (NTP) shall not be issued until Chugach has received (1) all bonds required in the ITB and properly executed by the appropriate individuals and (2) a certificate of insurance establishing coverage as required by this ITB and specifications (3) a project specific HSE plan (4) an updated construction work plan. The contract time allowed for completion of this contract shall not be extended or suspended due to any delay by Contractor in providing these documents necessary for the Notice to Proceed to be issued.

No work shall begin until the successful bidder has been issued a written NTP.

A pre-construction conference will be required. Weekly construction progress meetings will be held as required.

All work shall be performed in compliance with all applicable local, state and federal ordinances, orders, statutes, rules and regulations.

The Contractor shall furnish all material required for the project that is not indicated on Chugach's Owner Furnished Material list. Chugach must approve all Contractor-furnished material prior to installation.

The Contractor shall secure locates and assume responsibility for damage to any and all overhead and underground facilities.

Construction of this project will involve work on energized equipment. Outages will be granted based on approval of Contractor's detailed construction work plan.

Outages will be subject to advanced coordination/notification and Chugach electrical system requirements in effect for the time period the outage is requested. Outages are subject to system conditions.

Contractor shall take delivery of all materials within ten (10) business days of the NTP unless previously agreed to otherwise.

Contractor's workmanship shall be warranted for (2) years following Chugach's acceptance of the project completion documentation.

Unit bids shall reflect all work noted on the staking sheets even if not assigned a separate unit description.

The Contractor will not energize new or existing primary facilities in the absence of Chugach's site

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representative unless advanced written approval is secured from Chugach.

Payment for Contractor work is accomplished through use of a Completed Construction Report (CCR) prepared by Chugach's site representative and signed off by the Contractor's representative. Total payment is made on actual units completed, not on estimated units stated in the bid documents unless otherwise stated in writing. Chugach has no obligation to subsequently reconcile or assist in reconciling the Contractor's billing records.

Chugach reserves the right to define and waive irregularities, to accept or reject any or all proposals/bids, in whole or in part, and to reissue, withdraw or cancel the solicitation/project in its entirety for any reason including its subsequent determination to perform the work in-house without liability of any type to bidder/proposer, including but not limited to any costs associated with proposal/bid preparations and submittal.

Bidders shall identify any exceptions to requirements in the bid package. The nature and extent of any exceptions may influence the Bid award.

All questions regarding the bid documents are to be directed to Chugach's Project Manager via email TO: <u>Chris Kohler@chugachelectric.com</u> <u>CC: Joash Marquez@chugachelectric.com</u>. Questions shall be submitted no later than 12:00 PM Alaska Time, October 28, 2025.

Dates

- Invitation to Bid on October 16, 2025
- Pre-bid meeting on October 22, 2025, at 2:00 PM
- Bid Questions due by October 28, 2025, at 12:00 PM
- Chugach response to questions due by November 4, 2025, at 5:00 PM
- Bids due by November 11, 2025, at 2:00 PM

CHUGACH ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION, INC.

Mike Miller, PE VP, Engineering

cc: Project File; W.O. E2020053

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