

PADUCAH POWER SYSTEM  
P. O. BOX 180  
PADUCAH, KENTUCKY 42002-0180

NOTICE TO BIDDERS:

The following advertisement will appear on the Paducah Power System website:

PADUCAH POWER SYSTEM WILL RECEIVE SEALED BIDS UNTIL 10 A.M., NOVEMBER 2, 2023, FOR TREE TRIMMING. SPECIFICATIONS MAY BE OBTAINED FROM PADUCAH POWER SYSTEM, 1500 BROADWAY, PADUCAH, KENTUCKY 42001.

Bidders are requested to submit their proposals in sealed envelopes marked on front and back.

TO: PADUCAH POWER SYSTEM SEALED BID FOR TREE TRIMMING TO BE OPENED NOVEMBER 2, 2023

Paducah Power System reserves the right to reject any and all bids. Evaluation of bids will be made on price and experience.

All bids shall be submitted on forms provided with the specifications to Paducah Power System on or before the time specified above.

Paducah Power System reserves the right to consider such factors as experience and responsibility of the bidder and similar factors in determining which bid it deems to be its best interest.

Specifications and form of contract may be examined at the office of Paducah Power System. Prospective bidders may obtain requested set from Paducah Power System, 1500 Broadway, Paducah, Kentucky 42001.

DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT

The project will consist of trimming, cutting, and disposal of trees located in the vicinity of Paducah Power System's lines.

AREAS TO BE TRIMMED

Areas to be trimmed will be designated by Paducah Power System.

## MANNER OF SUBMITTING PROPOSALS

Proposals and all supporting instruments must be submitted on the forms furnished by the owner and must be delivered in a sealed envelope addressed to the owner.

No alterations or interlineations will be permitted, unless made before submission, initialed and dated.

## LICENSING REQUIREMENTS

Bidders will be required to comply with all applicable statutes, regulations, etc., including those pertaining to the licensing of contractors. Bidder and all of his/her employees must meet OSHA requirements and certification for tree trimming in the vicinity of energized conductors. OSHA certification must be presented for each employee as requested by owner.

**Safety: Bidder must submit last three years of OSHA log with bid.**

**Contractor will be required to obtain and keep a City of Paducah business license.**

## BIDDER'S QUALIFICATION

Bidders shall certify his qualifications by including with the bid a list and description of recently completed projects.

Bidder will work as an independent contractor and as such will be subject to all local, state, and federal rules and regulations regarding same.

## BIDDER'S EXPERIENCE

In estimating the least cost to the owner as one of the factors in deciding the acceptance of the proposal, the owner will consider, in addition to the bid price, the experience and responsibility of the bidder.

## CONTRACT IS ENTIRE AGREEMENT

The contract to be affected by the acceptance of the proposal shall be deemed to include the entire agreement between the parties thereto, and the bidder shall not claim any modification thereof resulting from any representation or promise made at any time by any officer, agent or employee of the owner or by any other person.

## OFFER TO CONSTRUCT

The bidder hereby proposes to furnish all materials and equipment, all machinery, tools labor, transportation and other means required for the completion of the project hereinafter described, for the prices hereinafter stated.

## MATERIALS AND EQUIPMENT

The bidder agrees to furnish and use in the construction of the project under this proposal, in the event the proposal is accepted; only such materials and equipment that are acceptable to the owner.

## BID COLLUSION

The bidder warrants that this proposal is made in good faith and without collusion or connection with any person or persons bidding for the same work.

## SCOPE

The bidder understands and agrees that the submission of this proposal is, in itself, an acknowledgment of complete familiarity with the project by the bidder. Therefore, it is hereby agreed that the bidder offers this proposal with full understanding of the scope of the project.

## WORK NOT IN PROPOSAL

The bidder agrees that when it is necessary to perform additional work not covered in the proposal, he will perform such work at the bid price, based upon labor and equipment involved.

## SUPERVISION AND INSPECTION

The bidder shall cause the work on the project to receive supervision by a competent superintendent during hours where work is being carried on.

The bidder shall employ, in connection with the work of the project, capable, experienced and reliable foremen and such skilled workmen as may be required for the various classes of work to be performed.

Directions and instructions given to the superintendent shall be binding upon the bidder.

The owner reserves the right to require the removal from the project of any employee of the bidder if in the judgment of the owner such removal shall be necessary in order to protect the interest of the owner.

The owner shall have the right to require the bidder to increase the number of its employees and to increase or change the amount or kind of tools and equipment if at any time the progress of the work shall be unsatisfactory to the owner.

The manner of work of the project, and all materials and equipment used therein, shall be subject to the inspection and approval of the owner, and the bidder shall furnish all information required by the owner concerning the nature or source of any materials incorporated in the project.

The owners shall have the right to inspect all payrolls, invoices of materials, and other data and records of the bidder.

The bidder shall provide all reasonable facilities necessary for such inspection and at least one employee to whom directions and instructions of the owner may be delivered.

Delivery of such directions or instructions in writing to the employee of the bidder shall constitute delivery to the bidder.

### INSPECTION

Paducah Power System personnel will ascertain that the work is being done properly and to System's satisfaction. Paducah Power System retains the right to reject any unsuitable work and has the right to cancel this contract anytime the work is not being properly done or is not being done to System's satisfaction.

### TIME & MANNER OF WORK

All work is to be done in a neat workman like manner. Stump grinding within two weeks of request.

### INSURANCE CERTIFICATE

Certificate of insurance must accompany bid.

### TERM OF CONTRACT

Trimming on this contract shall begin January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2027 with an option to extend contract an additional two years if both parties are in agreement.

If the successful bidder fails to furnish equipment and personnel needed during this contract period, the owner may negotiate with another tree service for needed equipment and personnel.

### PAYMENT TO BIDDER

The owner shall pay the bidder, as work is performed and only after satisfactory inspection and acceptance by owner.

No payment shall be due while the bidder is in default in respect of any of the provisions of this contract and the owner may withhold from the bidder the amount of any claim by a third party against either the bidder or the owner based upon an alleged failure of the bidder to perform the work hereunder in accordance with the provisions of this contract.

### PROTECTION TO PERSONS AND PROPERTY

The bidder shall at all times take all reasonable precautions for the safety of employees on the work and of the public, and shall comply with all applicable provisions of federal, state and municipal safety laws, as well as the safety rules and regulations of the owner.

All machinery and equipment and other physical hazards shall be guarded in accordance with federal, state or municipal laws or regulations and must meet all OSHA requirements.

The bidder shall make good and fully repair all injuries and damages to the project or any portion thereof under the control of the bidder by reason of the bidder's negligence.

The bidder shall hold the owner harmless from any and all claims for injuries to persons or for damage to property happening by reason of any negligence on the part of the bidder or any of the bidder's agents or employees during the control by the bidder of the project or any part thereof.

Responsibility for job site safety is the sole, complete obligation of the contractor.

Upon violation by the bidder of any of the provisions of this section, after written notice of such violation given to the bidder by the owner, the bidder shall immediately correct such violation.

The bidder shall submit to the owner reports of all accidents, giving such data as may be prescribed by the owner.

## INSURANCE

The bidder shall take out and maintain throughout the construction period insurance in the following minimum requirements:

- A. Workmen's Compensation Insurance covering all employees in statutory limits who perform any of the obligations assumed by the bidder under the contract.
- B. Public Liability and Property Damage Liability Insurance covering all operations under the contract: limits for bodily injury or death not less than \$100,000 for one person and \$300,000 for each accident; for property damage not less than \$250,000 for each accident and \$500,000 aggregate for accidents during the policy period.
- C. Automobile Liability Insurance on all self-propelled vehicles used in connection with the contract, whether owned, non-owned, or hired; public liability limits of not less than \$100,000 for one person and \$300,000 for each accident; property damage limit of \$100,000 for each accident.

The owner shall have the right at any time to require Public Liability Insurance and Property Damage Liability Insurance greater than those required in Subsections B and C of this section.

In any such event, the additional premium or premiums payable solely as the result of such additional insurance shall be added to the contract price.

Upon request by the owner, the bidder shall furnish a certificate evidencing compliance with the foregoing requirements.

## PATENT INFRINGEMENT

The bidder shall save harmless and indemnify owner from any and all claims, suits and proceedings for the infringement of any patent or patents covering any materials or equipment used in completion of the project.

## COMPLIANCE WITH STATUTES AND REGULATIONS

The bidder shall comply with all applicable statutes, ordinances, rules and regulations pertaining to the work.

The bidder understands that the obligations of the parties hereunder are subject to the applicable regulations and orders of governmental agencies having jurisdiction in the premises.

## PERMITS

It shall be the responsibility of the contractor to obtain and pay for any permits required for the performance of the work.

## EXTENSION TO SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS

Each and all of the covenants and agreements herein contained shall extend to and be binding upon the successors and assigns of the parties hereto.

## CONTRACTOR

Upon acceptance of this proposal, the successful bidder shall be the contractor and all references in the proposal to the bidder shall apply to the contractor.

## INSTRUCTION TO BIDDERS – GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

### 1-1 DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT:

Trim or remove trees as required in Paducah Power System Service Area. Tree trimming will be done as outlined in Dr. Alex L. Shigo's publication: Pruning Trees Near Electric Utility Lines.

### 1-2 SCOPE OF CONTRACT

This includes furnishing all labor, material, and equipment to trim and/or remove trees. Provide clearance of lines for a (3) year cycle of trimming. All overhangs shall be cleared to maximum bucket reach from a 70-foot bucket.

This contract shall include trimming of trees in Paducah Power System Service Area as required. All material cut or trimmed from trees will be loaded, hauled, and properly disposed of. Area will be completely cleaned of any products caused from trimming.

Bidder must comply with all local, state, and federal regulations including Federal OSHA Standard 1900.137 and 1900.269 or the Kentucky equivalent as it applies to contract tree trimming.

It will be the bidder's responsibility to ensure Paducah Power System that all regulations are being followed.

Crews will be contracted on an hourly basis to do spot trimming and complete line trimming.

Crews will consist of a General Foreman and (4) Bucket Crews. A Bucket Crew will include a crew leader, two trimmers, or one trimmer and trimmer helper.

Other crews may be used on an as needed basis for the rates shown on attached bid form.

1-3 SUBCONTRACTS

None of this work shall be subcontracted but shall be performed by the company submitting the proposal.

1-4 WAGE ADJUSTMENTS

A wage adjustment will be allowed not exceeding 3 percent per year and shall be passed through to crews assigned to Paducah Power System.



PROPOSAL

COMPANY NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ FAX \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

TO: PADUCAH POWER SYSTEM  
1500 BROADWAY, P.O. BOX 180  
PADUCAH, KY 42002-0180

The undersigned bidder, having examined the documents and having familiarized himself with the services to be provided hereby proposes to perform said services described in the specifications within the time and for the sum stated thereafter:

PROPOSAL:

The foregoing bid and proposal shall be binding upon bidder. In the event said bid proposal is accepted by Paducah Power System, such acceptance and proposal shall constitute a binding contract between such bidder and the System, and said bidder shall, if requested by System, execute any other documents required to affect the purposes hereof.

BIDDER \_\_\_\_\_

ATTEST \_\_\_\_\_

BY \_\_\_\_\_

TITLE \_\_\_\_\_

TITLE \_\_\_\_\_

OWNER: PADUCAH POWER SYSTEM

ATTEST \_\_\_\_\_

BY \_\_\_\_\_

TITLE \_\_\_\_\_

TITLE \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

SCHEDULE A: TREE TRIMMING & REMOVAL

FORMING PART OF THE GENERAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ AND \_\_\_\_\_

LABOR, MATERIAL & DATED: \_\_\_\_\_ EFFECTIVE: \_\_\_\_\_

REGULAR BILLING RATE: COVERS 40-HOUR WORK WEEK (5 EIGHT-HOUR DAYS WITH PRIVILEGE OF MAKING UP LOST TIME BY EXTENDING THE WORK DAY OR WORK WEEK TO INCLUDE SATURDAYS).

OVERTIME BILLING RATE: APPLIES TO OVERTIME EMERGENCY WORK WHEN AUTHORIZED.

**PERSONNEL**

<u>CREW LEADER</u>			<u>TRIMMER A</u>			<u>TRIMMER B</u>			<u>TRIMMER-HELPER</u>		
<u>PAY RATE</u>	<u>BILLING REG</u>	<u>BILLING OVT</u>	<u>PAY RATE</u>	<u>BILLING REG</u>	<u>BILLING OVT</u>	<u>PAY RATE</u>	<u>BILLING REG</u>	<u>BILLING OVT</u>	<u>PAY RATE</u>	<u>BILLING REG</u>	<u>BILLING OVT</u>
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
GENERAL FOREPERSON			\$ _____	Pay Rate							
			\$ _____	Billing Reg							

**Note: Paducah Power System requires the minimum hourly pay as follows:**

- Foreperson \$21.00**
- Trimmer A \$19.00**
- Trimmer B \$17.00**
- Trim Helper \$16.00**

**EQUIPMENT**

1. Equipped 70' Bucket Truck: (Less than five years old) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Plus all of the items below:
  - Trim lift (Aerial Basket) 70'
  - 12" Trailer Chipper
  - Power Saw (3)
  - Brush Saw
  - Leaf Blower
  
2. 4 x 4 Pickup (General Foreman) \_\_\_\_\_
  
3. 4 x 4 Pickup, Stump Grinder \_\_\_\_\_
  
4. Tractor-Cutter (5' Rotary Bush Hog) \_\_\_\_\_
  
5. Fecon \_\_\_\_\_
  
6. Side-Trim \_\_\_\_\_