

# Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS (RFQ): #930-RFQ-1801

## DESIGN PROFESSIONAL CONTRACT RELATED TO RELEASES FROM REGULATED STORAGE TANKS

The Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ), Office of Land Resources (OLR) announces a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) and is seeking responses from qualified environmental consultants to provide design professional services related to releases from underground storage tanks and certain aboveground petroleum storage tanks; emergency containment and hazard mitigation; environmental investigation and remediation; tank system removal; research of public records; tank system tightness testing; pilot testing; engineering design, cost estimates and management of a remediation system; oversight and review of petroleum storage tank projects; and reporting. Other tasks include preparation of plans and specifications for contracting through Division of Building Authority and preparation of Operational and Maintenance (O & M) Information for Bids (IFB) for contracting through the Office of State Procurement.

Responses to this RFQ will be used to screen prospective Consultants and select finalists. Selected finalists will be required to conduct oral presentations and to answer questions concerning technical performance and capabilities. The initial term of the design professional contract will be for **one year**, and may be, if determined to be in the best interest of the State and mutually agreed to by the contractor, extended annually for six (6) additional one year periods for a **maximum period of seven (7) years**. ADEQ will select Consultant(s) considered the best qualified and capable of performing the work. **The Agency reserves the right to award one or more contracts from this solicitation if deemed in the Agency's best interest.** The work is contingent upon approved appropriations and available funding.

An RFQ package may be obtained by contacting **Benjamin Reynolds at 501-682-0972 or [Benjamin.Reynolds@adeq.state.ar.us](mailto:Benjamin.Reynolds@adeq.state.ar.us) or Shelby Winthrop at 501-682-0999 or [Winthrop@adeq.state.ar.us](mailto:Winthrop@adeq.state.ar.us)**. The package outlines a specific format, content, and page limit for Statements of Qualifications (SOQs) to be submitted to ADEQ.

The number of projects during this contract period and the detailed scope are unknown until a specific site is identified for assessment or corrective action and oversight work. Specific project scope and costs will be planned and addressed when a site is identified for work. The work should be conducted in accordance with and should meet all applicable State environmental laws, policies, directives and procedures, and other appropriate local, State and federal laws, rules and regulations.

Completed Statements of Qualifications (SOQs) will be received no later than 4:30 p.m. Central Standard Time on **July 3, 2018** and addressed to Benjamin Reynolds, P.E., Technical Branch Manager, Assessment & Remediation Program, Office of Land Resources, 5301 Northshore Drive, North Little Rock, Arkansas 72118-5317. Each envelope or package should be clearly marked "Statement of Qualifications - Design Professional Services - Regulated Storage Tanks - RFQ #930-RFQ-1801. The State of Arkansas supports equal opportunity in this solicitation; therefore, minority and women's business enterprises are encouraged to participate.

Any and all information by an offeror in variance with these instructions detailed in the RFQ may not be reviewed or evaluated except at the discretion of the ADEQ.