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WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
Division of Highways
NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Bids will be received electronically by the West Virginia Department of Transportation Division of Highways through the Bid Express Bidding Service (www.bidx.com) and by sealed proposals (only when prequalification is waived) being received at its office in Building 5, Room 843, 1900 Kanawha Boulevard East, Charleston, West Virginia until May 07, 2024 at 10:00 AM (Eastern Standard Time). The bids will be downloaded and/or opened and read publicly thereafter for the constructions of the following project(s):

Call	Contract	State Project	Federal Project	Description
003	2023440018	S344-31/1-3.06 00		SLIDE REPAIR W/PILING Maple Run MIDPOINT COUNTY: ROANE

Proposals will be received from prequalified and West Virginia licensed contractors only except that on Federal-Aid Projects a contractors' license is not required at time of bid, but will be required before work can begin. Registration is required with the Department of Administration, Division of Purchasing, in accordance with Chapter 5A, Article 3, Section 12 of the West Virginia Code. All contractors submitting bids on project(s) must submit electronically with their bid a Proposal Guaranty Bond for \$500.00 or 5% of the total bid, whichever is greater. The West Virginia Department of Transportation Division of Highways reserves the right to defer, delay or postpone the date for receiving and publicly opening proposals for any project designated in this advertisement, without the necessity of renewing such advertisement. The deferment, delay, postponement, and the date that proposals will be received and publicly opened will be available on www.bidx.com. The West Virginia Department of Transportation Division of Highways hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, minority business enterprises 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, religion, sex or national origin in consideration for an award.

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Roane County Courthouse, 200 Main Street, Spencer, West Virginia, before the Honorable Anita Harold Ashley.
Andrea Stoekner, Clerk
Circuit Court of Roane County,
West Virginia

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NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR FIBER OPTIC CABLE BIDS

The Roane County Economic Development Authority, RCEDA, located in Roane County, West Virginia is requesting bids for fiber optic cable for the Roane EDA Multi-County Broadband Project. The bidder will be required to complete and submit Exhibit A in its entirety. **Exhibit A must be requested, in writing, to caroline.stewart@movrc.org.**

The purpose of the competitive process is to objectively select the bidder who will provide the highest quality products at a realistic fee delivered by April 12, 2024.

Please submit one (1) sealed copy of all requested information prior to 3:00 p.m. on March 26, 2024, to the attention of:

Mid-Ohio Valley Regional Council
Attn: Caroline Stewart
709 Market Street
Parkersburg, WV 26101

Please also forward a copy of the requested information via e-mail to

caroline.stewart@movrc.org
 For questions or additional information, please contact the MOVRC at (304) 699-3703.

It is the responsibility of the respondent to ensure the receipt of the bid by 3:00 p.m. on March 26, 2024.

Attention is directed to the fact that the project may be undertaken with a combination of State and/or Federal funds and all work must be performed

in accordance with all applicable laws, rules, and regulations.

This procurement shall be in accordance with the requirements of 2 CFR Part 200, Subpart D, sections 200.317-200.326.

The owner calls attention to the need for bidders to make attempts to buy American in compliance with 2 CFR 200.322: "As appropriate and to the extent consistent with law, the non-Federal entity should, to the greatest extent practicable under a Federal award, provide a preference for the purchase, acquisition, or use of goods, products, or materials produced in the United States (including but not limited to iron, aluminum, steel, cement, and other manufactured products). The requirements of this section must be included in all sub awards including all contracts and purchase orders for work or products under this award.

The RCEDA will afford full opportunity to women-owned and minority business enterprises that submit a show of interest in response to this request and will not discriminate against any interested firm or individual on the grounds of race, creed, color, sex, age, handicap, or national origin in the award of this contract.

This contract will be awarded to the responsible offer or whose bid is within the competitive range and determined to be the most advantageous to the RCEDA; price, delivery date, and other factors considered. Owner has the right to refuse any or all bids presented. West Virginia businesses are strongly encouraged to bid.

A public opening will be conducted at 4:00 p.m. on March 26, 2024, at the Mid-Ohio Valley Regional Council located at 709 Market Street, Parkersburg, WV 26101.

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FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2024 - JUNE 30, 2025
LEVY ESTIMATE - BUDGET DOCUMENT

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
MUNICIPALITY OF SPENCER, WEST VIRGINIA

In accordance with Code § 11-8-14, as amended, the Council proceeded to make an estimate of the amounts necessary to be raised by levy of taxes for the current fiscal year, and does determine and estimate the several amounts to be as follows:

The amount due and the amount that will become due and collectible from every source during the fiscal year INCLUDING THE LEVY OF TAXES, is as follows:

REVENUE SOURCE	
Unassigned Fund Balance	350,000
Property Taxes - Current Expense	318,152
Gas & Oil Severance Tax	15,000
Business and Occupation Tax	700,000
Wine & Liquor Tax	30,000
Parking Violations	8,000
Licenses	8,000
Building Permit Fees	5,000
IRP Fees (Interstate Registration Plan)	15,000
Parks & Recreation	15,000
Parking Meter Revenues	14,000
Rents, Royalties, and Concessions	16,000
Gaming Income	10,000
Interest Earned on Investments	800
Accident Reports	400
Video Lottery (LVL)	2,500
Miscellaneous Revenues	1,500
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE (GENERAL FUND)	\$1,509,352

COAL SEVERANCE TAX FUND

REVENUE SOURCE	
Assigned Fund Balance	\$100
Coal Severance Tax	4,200
Interest Earned on Investment	-
Reimbursements	-
Refunds	-
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE (COAL SEVERANCE FUND)	\$4,300

	General Fund	Coal Severance Fund
ESTIMATED CURRENT EXPENDITURES		
Economic Development	\$57,894	\$-
Mayor's Office	327,842	4,300
City Council	6,459	-
Recorder's Office	1,938	-
City Clerk's Office	46,734	-
Program Planning	25,000	-
Custodial	10,119	-
Regional Development Authority	1,217	-
Other Buildings	50,000	-
Public Works Department	27,270	-
Contingencies	10,000	-
Police Department	419,449	-
Streets and Highways	353,635	-
Local Health Department	1,200	-
Parks & Recreation	36,912	-
Capital Projects - General Government	83,683	-
Capital Projects - Street and Transportation	50,000	-
TOTAL ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES	\$1,509,352	\$4,300

MUNICIPALITY OF SPENCER, WEST VIRGINIA
Regular Current Expense Levy
FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2024 - JUNE 30, 2025

Certificate of Valuation			
	Assessed Value for Tax Purposes	Levy Rate/\$100	Taxes Levied
CLASS I			
Personal Property	\$ 0	12.50	\$ 0
Public Utility	0		0
Total Class I	\$ 0		\$ 0
CLASS II			
Real Estate	\$ 25,387,950	25.00	\$ 63,470
Personal Property	20,280		51
Total Class II	\$ 25,408,230		\$ 63,521
CLASS IV			
Real Estate	\$ 27,105,340	50.00	\$ 135,527
Personal Property	23,351,316		116,257
Public Utility	6,679,909		33,400
Total Class IV	\$ 57,036,565		\$ 285,184
Total Value & Projected Revenue	\$ 82,444,795		\$ 348,705
Less Delinquencies, Exonerations & Uncollectable Taxes		5.00%	17,435
Less Tax Discounts (use Total Projected Revenue to calculate)		2.00%	6,625
Less Allowance for Tax Increment Financing (if Applicable)			0
Total Projected Property Tax Collection			\$ 324,645
Less Assessor Valuation Fund		2.00%	6,493
(Subtracted from regular current expense taxes levied only)			
Net Amount to be Raised by Levy of Property Taxes			\$ 318,152

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
 COUNTY OF ROANE
 MUNICIPALITY OF SPENCER
 I, David A. Holland, Recording Officer of said municipality, do hereby certify that the foregoing are true copies from the record of the orders made and entered by the council of the said municipality on the 4th day of March, 2024.
 David A. Holland, Recorder

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF WEST VIRGINIA
CHARLESTON

CASE NO. 23-0956-E-IDS
 APPALACHIAN POWER COMPANY and
 WHEELING POWER COMPANY
 Application for approval for Written Plan for the Construction of Utility Infrastructure at two West Virginia Business Ready Sites and for Associated Cost Recovery Pursuant to W. Va. Code § 24-2-1n.

PUBLIC NOTICE OF CHANGE IN RATES UPON APPLICATION

Notice is hereby given that Appalachian Power Company and Wheeling Power Company (the Companies), public utilities, have, on December 28, 2023, filed with the Public Service Commission of West Virginia a Petition to update their Business Ready Sites Program (BRSP) surcharge rates, per W. Va. Code § 24-2-1n and the Commission's April 14, 2023 Order in Case No. 22-1059-E-IDS. If approved, the increased rates will apply to electric service to the Companies' customers in the counties of Boone, Brooke, Cabell, Clay, Fayette, Greenbrier, Jackson, Kanawha, Lincoln, Logan, Marshall, Mason, McDowell, Mercer, Mingo, Monroe, Nicholas, Ohio, Putnam, Raleigh, Roane, Summers, Wayne, Wetzel, and Wyoming. The Companies propose to increase BRSP rates by approximately \$2 million, effective for the period June 1, 2024 through May 31, 2025. If approved, the average monthly bill for the various classes of customers will be changed as follows:

	(\$) INCREASE	(%) INCREASE
Residential	\$0.24	0.14%

Commercial	\$0.54	0.13%
Industrial	\$114.15	0.05%
Special Contract	\$176.35	0.03%
Other	\$0.01	0.04%

The increases shown are based on the averages of all customers in the indicated class. Individual customers may receive an increase that is greater or less than average. Furthermore, the requested rates are only a proposal and are subject to change (increases or decreases) by the Public Service Commission in its review of this Petition. Any increase in rates will not become effective until authorized and approved by the Public Service Commission. The proposed BRSP surcharge represents a 0.11% increase in total rates with an impact on the average residential customer using 1,000 kWh per month receiving a \$0.24 increase in monthly bills from \$169.29 to \$169.53 or 0.14%.

This matter is scheduled for an evidentiary hearing on Thursday, May 2, 2024. The hearing will begin at 9:30 a.m. in the Howard M. Cunningham Hearing Room at the Public Service Commission, 201 Brooks Street, Charleston, West Virginia. The Commission may cancel the evidentiary hearing for good cause shown. Interested persons intending to attend the hearing should monitor the Commission web docket.

Anyone desiring to intervene should file a written petition to intervene by March 15, 2024. Failure to intervene timely can affect your right to participate in the proceeding. Requests to intervene must comply with the Commission's rules on intervention. All protests or requests to intervene should briefly state the reason for the protest or intervention. All protests and interventions should be addressed to: The Executive Secretary, Public Service Commission of West Virginia, P.O. Box 812, Charleston, West Virginia 25323.

APPALACHIAN POWER COMPANY and
 WHEELING POWER COMPANY

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ORDER OF PUBLICATION
IN THE MAGISTRATE
COURT
OF ROANE COUNTY, WEST
VIRGINIA

Sandra Tallman
 11957 Clay Road
 Newton, WV 25266
 Plaintiff
 v.
 Rodney D. Romine
 126 Big Sandy Road
 Newton, WV 25266
 Defendant

Civil Action
 No. 24-M44C-00018
 The object of the above entitled action is Defendant (s) are no longer residing at their known address and further that the Plaintiff has used due diligence to ascertain the residence and whereabouts of said defendant (s) without effect.

And it appearing by an affidavit filed in this action that Sandra Tallman, even after using due diligence, the Plaintiff was unable to discover the residence or whereabouts of the defendant. The Defendant was not served, either personally or by way of service upon an appropriate family member, after service was twice attempted by the Sheriff of the county in which the defendant resides or is located. it is ordered that Rodney D. Romine do serve upon Roane County Magistrate Court Ronald White, magistrate, whose address is 208 Court Street, Spencer West Virginia 25276, an answer or other defense to the complaint filed in this action on or before April 26, 2024, otherwise judgment by default will be taken against Rodney D. Romine at any time thereafter. A copy of said complaint can be obtained from the undersigned Clerk at her office.

Entered by the Clerk of said Court
 March 14, 2024.

Cynthia L. Morgan
 Magistrate Court Clerk

2t 3/21-28/24 RCR

To: All Interested Agencies, Groups, and Individuals

This is to give notice that Roane General Hospital has applied for a Community Project Funding Program - Congressionally Funded Construction Program grant from Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) of the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). Roane General Hospital proposes to construct a modular rural health clinic at 7313 Charleston Rd., Walton, WV 25286. The purpose of this notice is to inform the public that per Executive Order 11988 for Floodplain Management, Roane General Hospital recognizes that the proposed action will occur within the 100-year floodplain and that Roane General Hospital has determined that this is the only practicable alternative for this project. No other land is available in the community that would be outside the floodplain and allow the public the ease of access for these services. Roane General Hospital will comply with all state and/or local floodplain protection standards and will take the following actions to mitigate the flood hazard/impacts: Elevate the modular building to a level that would not be flooded in the event of a catastrophe. Additional information may be obtained by contacting: Roane General Hospital, Attn: Amy Downey, CFO, 200 Hospital Drive, Spencer, WV 25276 or (304) 927-6201. Written comments on the proposed action and potential impacts to

floodplains must be submitted to the following address on or before April 4, 2024 Roane General Hospital, Attn: Amy Downey, CFO, 200 Hospital Drive, Spencer, WV 25276 or (304) 927-6201.
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REQUEST FOR QUOTATIONS

Roane County Schools is currently accepting quotations for a commercial smokehouse system for the RCHS Meats Lab. Details and specifications can be found by visiting roanewschools.com.

Quotations are due to the Roane County Schools Central Office by 1 pm on Wed., March 27, 2024.
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ORDER OF PUBLICATION
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
ROANE COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA
IN RE:

JUVENILE CASE NO:
R.R., JR. (D.O.B. 11/21/2016)
24-JA-5
A.R. (D.O.B. 06/23/2014)
24-JA-6
A.R. (D.O.B. 06/08/2015)
24-JA-7
Infant Respondents,
ROY RAMSEY, and
Adult Respondent.
Hon. Anita Harold Ashley
To the above-named Adult Respondent

It appearing, by a petition filed in this action that Infant Respondent R.R., Jr. a male child, born November 21, 2016, whose biological mother is Sarah Mason, whose biological father is Roy Ramsey, who is currently in the custody of the West Virginia Department of Health and Human Services. It also appearing, by a petition filed in this action that Infant Respondent A.R. a female child, born June 23, 2014, whose biological mother is Sarah Mason, whose biological father is Roy Ramsey, who is currently in the custody of the West Virginia Department of Health and Human Services. Finally, also appearing, by a petition filed in this action that Infant Respondent A.R. a female child, born June 8, 2014, whose biological mother is Sarah Mason, whose biological father is Roy Ramsey, who is currently in the custody of the West Virginia Department of Health and Human Services. You are hereby notified, in accordance with the provisions of West Virginia Code Chapter 49, that a petition has been filed in the Circuit Court of Roane County, West Virginia seeking to take custody of the children, R.R., Jr.; A.R.; and A.R. and there are no reasonably available alternative to removal of the children, and the continuation in the home is contrary to the best interest of the children due to abuse of these children, and that the emergency situation made efforts to preserve the family and prevent the placement unreasonable or impossible.

If you wish to assert or exercise your parental rights to said children, you must appear and defend the petition at within thirty (30) days of your receipt of this notice. Your failure to appear and defend will result in the permanent termination of your parental rights. If you fail to respond to this notice within the required time, you may not appear in or receive further notice of this proceeding.

You are further notified that a hearing shall be heard on May 6, 2024, at 2:00 p.m., for adjudication or soon thereafter as counsel may be heard, in the Circuit Courtroom of the

Useful

I had a discouraging day yesterday.

I don't expect anyone to keep track—heck, I can't keep track half the time. But I got another rejection of my book from another editor with another publishing house.

I've read the stories of how long it has taken well-known authors to sell their first novel. A publisher has to put a lot of money into a new book, and the odds are slim that a writer's first book will ever earn that money back. Publishers know this and so they are understandably cautious.

You would think I would be used to rejection by now. Before I was even able to have my book read by publishers, I had to find an agent, and they are swamped with letters from writers who want the same thing I do—to see their book out in the world.

Now that I have my wonderful agent, Annie, she is putting a lot of time into editing and working to sell my book, and she makes no money at all until the book sells. It is a long process. Everything takes months and months, and in the meantime, I keep writing, because that is the only part of the process I have any control over at all.

So, when I got an "update" from Annie yesterday, I knew from the subject line of the email it would not be good news. The note read: "Hi Annie,

Thank you for the opportunity to read Carrie's work. She is a talented writer, and I love the premise for this, but I didn't connect with the characters quite as strongly as I'd hoped. It is with regret that I am a pass, but I hope you land the perfect home for this (or perhaps already have!)." I added this rejection to a file I keep with the previous rejection letters. Sometimes I read the comments later and, generally, I don't get too discouraged. But yesterday I did.

I was grumpy, and I felt more than a little sorry for myself. So I



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The Postscript

took a day off. Instead of writing, I went for a long walk.

And, as I was walking, I suddenly thought of my best friend who died seven years ago. She was only 50 years old when she died, and I never met a person who was more alive. I thought of how she would chew me out for wasting even part of one day feeling sorry for myself.

"Take a teaspoon of cement, Princess, and harden up!" she would have said.

She was very good about saying things like that, whenever I complained that what I was doing was too difficult. I missed her no-nonsense advice, her never-ending encouragement.

"I sure could use you now," I thought.

And at that moment, I realized I had lost sight of a really important thing. Of course, I write because it makes me happy. But the reason writing makes me happy is because I think the stuff I write might be useful.

Maybe my writing will make somebody smile. Maybe someone will feel less alone. Maybe it will be used to line the bottom of a birdcage. But whatever happens, I'm hoping it will be useful in some small way.

It's not really about me. Or, as my beloved friend would say when I got too full of myself, "Buy some lumber, build a bridge, and get over yourself!"

She was good at that, as I mentioned. She was good at reminding me of what matters and, seven years later, she is still so very useful.

Till next time,
 Carrie
 For more Carrie Classon, go to CarrieClasson.com.

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