

NOTICE INVITING BIDS

Sealed bids will be received at the office of the Purchasing Manager of the City of Fresno for the following:

SWITCHGEAR REPLACEMENT AND NEW BUILDING (REBID)

BID FILE NUMBER: 2961

The scope of work includes the replacement of the existing 12 kV electrical switchgear and the construction of a new 816 sq. ft. masonry building to house the switchgear. In addition, the supply and feeder wires will be relocated underground. Wiring to existing transformers will be upgraded. The construction allocation for this project is \$525,000.

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Bids will be taken on complete work, in accordance with Plans and Specifications on file in the office of the Purchasing Manager, 2101 "G" Street, Building "A," Fresno California, 93706-1675 , phone number (559) 621-1332.

Bid proposal forms, Instructions to Bidders, and copies of the Plans and/or Specifications may be obtained at the City's website, www.fresno.gov, *For Business* (to the right of the screen), *Bid Opportunities*.

Bid Proposals must be filed with the Purchasing Manager prior to the bid opening at 3 p.m. on Thursday, April 1, 2010, when the bids will be publicly opened and recorded.

The work hereunder constitutes a "public work" as defined in Chapter 1, Part 7, Division 2 of the California Labor Code, and Contractor shall cause the work to be performed as a "public work" in accordance with such Chapter of the California Labor Code. The Council of the City of Fresno has adopted Resolution No. 82-297 ascertaining the general prevailing rate of per diem wages and per diem wages for holidays and overtime in the Fresno area for each craft, classification, or type of worker needed in the execution of contracts for the City. A copy of the resolution is on file at the Office of the City Clerk. Actual wage schedules are available at Construction Management Office, 1721 Van Ness Avenue, Fresno, California 93721, (559) 621-5600.

All proposals must be made on the Bid Proposal Form provided by the Purchasing Manager and must be accompanied by a Bid Deposit in the amount of TEN PERCENT (10%) of the Total Net Bid Amount (or, in bids with Add Alternates, the highest possible combination of the Base Bid plus Add Alternates) in the form of a certified or cashier's check, an irrevocable letter of credit, or a certificate of deposit or a bidder's bond executed by a corporate surety, admitted by the California Insurance Commissioner to do business in California, payable and acceptable to the City of Fresno; or the Bidder shall have registered with the Purchasing Manager of the City an annual bid bond sufficient to provide coverage in such amount. All Bid Deposits will be held until a Contract has been executed with the successful Bidder or all bids have been rejected.

The City of Fresno hereby notifies all Bidders that no person shall be excluded from participation in, denied any benefits of, or otherwise discriminated against in connection with the award and performance of any contract on the basis of race, religious creed, color, national origin, ancestry, physical disability, mental disability, medical condition, marital status, sex, age, sexual orientation, ethnicity, status as a disabled veteran or veteran of the Vietnam era or on any other basis prohibited by law.

A pre-bid conference will be held at 10:00 a.m., on March 16, 2010, in Yosemite Conference Room in the Administration Building at the Fresno/Clovis Regional Wastewater Reclamation Facility located at 5607 W. Jensen Avenue, Fresno, California. Prospective Bidders are encouraged to attend since City Staff will be present to answer any questions regarding the Specifications, and there may be an inspection tour of the job site(s).

In accordance with provisions of section 22300 of the California Public Contract Code, Contractor may substitute securities for any monies withheld by City to ensure performance under the Contract.

A 100 percent Material and Labor Bond and 100 percent Performance Bond for all public works contracts must be filed with the Contract Documents and approved by the City before the Contractor enters upon performance of the Work.

No bid will be considered for award unless the Bidder at the time of bid opening, is licensed with a valid Class"A" Contractor's License issued by the State of California.

The City reserves the right to reject any and all bids.