ADVERTISEMENTS FOR BIDDERS/CONTRACTORS

SEALED BIDS

UPGRADE
ELEVATORS
Empire State Plaza
Albany, Albany County

Sealed bids for Project Nos. 42728-C, 42728-E, 42728-U, comprising separate contracts for Construction Work, Electrical Work and Elevator Work, Upgrade Elevators, Corning Tower, Empire State Plaza, Albany (Albany County), NY, will be received by the Office of General Services (OGS), Design & Construction Group (D&C), Contract Administration, 35th Fl., Corning Tower, Empire State Plaza, Albany, NY 12242, on behalf of the Office of General Services, until 2:00 p.m. on Friday, January 10, 2014, when they will be publicly opened and read. Each bid must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders and must be accompanied by a certified check, bank check, or bid bond in the amount of $19,800 for C, $39,200 for E and $240,200 for U.

All successful bidders on a multiple trade project or the successful bidder with a bid over $200,000 on a single trade project, will be required to furnish a Performance Bond and a Labor and Material Bond in the statutory form of public bonds required by Sections 136 and 137 of the State Finance Law, each for 100% of the amount of the Contract estimated to be between $250,000 and $500,000 for C, between $1,000,000 and $2,000,000 for E and between $9,000,000 and $10,000,000 for U. The requirement for Labor and Material and Performance Bonds may be waived on a bid under $200,000 on a single trade project.

Pursuant to State Finance Law § 139-j and § 139-k, this solicitation includes and imposes certain restrictions on communications between OGS D&C and a bidder during the procurement process. A bidder is restricted from making contacts from the earliest notice of intent to solicit offers through final award and approval of the Procurement Contract by OGS D&C and Office of the State Comptroller ("restricted period") to other than designated staff unless it is a contact that is included among certain statutory exceptions set forth in State Finance Law § 139-j(3)(a). Designated staff are Frank Peris and Carl Ruppert in the Bureau of Contract Awards, telephone (518) 474-0203, fax (518) 473-7862 and John Lewyckyj, Director of Contract Administration, telephone (518) 474-0201, fax (518) 486-1650. OGS D&C employees are also required to obtain certain information when contacted during the restricted period and make a determination of the responsibility of the bidder pursuant to these two statutes. Certain findings of non-responsibility can result in rejection for contract award and in the event of two findings within a 4 year period, the bidder is debarred from obtaining governmental Procurement Contracts. Bidders responding to this Advertisement must familiarize themselves with the new Legislative and State Finance Law requirements and will be expected to affirm that they understand and agree to comply on the bid form. Further information about these requirements can be found within the project manual or at: http://ogs.ny.gov/aboutogs/regulations/defaultAdvisoryCouncil.asp.

The completion date for this project is 896 days after the Agreement is approved by the Comptroller.

The Contract Documents provide for contract acceleration incentive not to exceed $24,000 for C, $72,000 for E and $336,000 for U.

The only time prospective bidders will be allowed to visit the job site to take field measurements and examine existing conditions of the project area will be at 10:00 a.m. on December 19, 2013 at Corning Tower, 35th Floor Conference Room, Albany, NY. Prospective bidders are urged to visit the site at this time. Prospective bidders or their representatives attending the pre-bid site visit will not be admitted on facility grounds without proper photo identification. Note that parking restrictions and security provisions will apply and all vehicles will be subject to search.

For assistance pertaining to the site visit only, please phone Lisa Clark (518) 474-7544.

It is the policy of the State and the Office of General Services to encourage minority business enterprise participation in this project by contractors, subcontractors and suppliers, and all bidders are expected to cooperate in implementing this policy.

The Office of General Services reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

The Bidding and Contract Documents for this Project are available on compact disc (CD) only, and may be obtained for an $8.00 deposit per set, plus a $2.00 per set shipping and handling fee. Contractors and other interested parties can order CD's on-line through a secure web interface available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Please use the following link at the OGS website for ordering and payment instructions: http://www.ogs.ny.gov/bu/dc/esb/acquirebid.asp.

For questions about purchase of bid documents, please send an e-mail to D&C.Plans@ogs.ny.gov, or call toll free at 1-877-647-7526.

For additional information on this project, please use the link below and then click on the project number: https://online.ogs.ny.gov/dnc/contractorConsultant/esb/ESBPlansAvailableIndex.asp.

By *John D. Lewyckyj, Contracting Officer*
Director Contract Administration
OGS Design & Construction Group