

ADVERTISEMENTS FOR BIDDERS/CONTRACTORS

SEALED BIDS

REPLACE AUDIO VISUAL EQUIPMENT NYS Academy of Fire Science Montour Falls, Schuyler County

Sealed bids for Project No. Q1491-E, for Electrical Work, Replace Audio Visual Equipment, Auditorium, NYS Academy of Fire Science, 600 College Avenue, Montour Falls (Schuyler 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 Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services, until 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 13, 2016, 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 \$15,500 for E.

Further, Wicks Exempt Projects require a completed BDC 59 be filled out and submitted (included in a separate, sealed envelope) in accordance with Document 002220, Supplemental Instructions to Bidders – Wicks Exempt. Failure to submit this form correctly will result in a disqualification of the bid.

The value of the Contract is estimated to be between \$100,000 and \$250,000.

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, Deputy Director of Design & Construction, 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 substantial completion date for this project is 175 days after the Agreement is approved by the Comptroller.

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 9:00 a.m. on April 1, 2016 at NYS Academy of Fire Science, 600 College Avenue, Montour Falls, 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 Lara Franzese (607) 735-0592.

It is the policy of the State and the Office of General Services to encourage meaningful minority business enterprise participation in this project by contractors, subcontractors and suppliers who perform commercially useful functions under the Contract, 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 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>.

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