

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

1. INVITATION

Sealed proposals for the following work will be received by the University of Kentucky, Capital Construction Procurement Section, Room #322 Peterson Service Building, 411 South Limestone, Lexington, Kentucky 40506-0005, in the manner and on the date hereinafter specified for the furnishing of all labor, materials, supplies, tools, appliances, equipment, services, etc., necessary for the construction of **Project #2239.51 PCF – Electrical Substation Expansions, UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY, LEXINGTON, KENTUCKY**, as set forth in the specifications and as shown on the drawings for as prepared by Staggs & Fisher Consulting Engineers, Inc. and approved by the Capital Construction Procurement Section and the Capital Project Management Division and under the terms and conditions of this Invitation.

2. PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The University of Kentucky owns and operates three 12kV electric substations. These stations are being expanded to accommodate growth on campus.

Substation #1 is being expanded with the addition of six line exits. Two new breakers which are existing and in place are being installed in two of these line exits.

Substation #2 has four line exits being added among existing steel and bus work. Two new breakers which are existing and in place are being installed in two of these line exits.

Substation #3 has is being expanded with the addition of ten line exits. It is in effect, a new station being installed beside an existing station. Two new breakers will be installed in this station.

Kentucky Utilities supplies the power transformer and high voltage structure that is the source for these stations.

3. METHOD OF RECEIVING BIDS

Bids will be received from Prime Contractors on a Lump Sum Amount for the total project. All phases of the work shall be bid to and through the Prime Contractors. Bids shall be submitted in the manner herein described and on the official proposal form included with the conditions and specifications and shall be subject to all the conditions as set forth and described in the Bid Documents.

Bids shall be submitted only on the Official Forms supplied by the University of Kentucky, Capital Construction Procurement Section. Failure to comply with the foregoing requirements will be cause for invalidation of bid.

4. METHOD OF AWARD

Final award of Contract will be made on the basis of the lowest, responsive and responsible bid which offers the best value.

5. SCHEDULE OF PROJECT

The time for completion as further defined in Article 28 of the General Conditions shall be as follows: substantial completion shall be two hundred fifty eight (258) calendar days with final completion being forty five (45) days thereafter.

6. BONDING

All bids shall be accompanied by a bid guarantee of not less than five (5%) percent of the amount of the base bid. A 100% Performance Bond and 100% Payment Bond shall be furnished by the successful bidder. All bonding and insurance requirements are contained in the Instruction to Bidders, General Conditions and Special Conditions.

7. PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS REVIEW

Specifications, Plans and Contract Documents may be examined at the following places:

1. McGraw Hill Construction Dodge/AGC Plan Room, 950 Contract St., Lexington KY 40505
2. McGraw Hill Construction Dodge/AGC Plan Room, 1811 Cargo Ct., Louisville, KY 40299
3. McGraw Hill Construction Dodge/AGC Plan Room, 922 N Main St., London, KY 40741
4. McGraw Hill Construction Dodge/AGC (Cincinnati), 7265 Kenwood Dr., Suite 200, Cincinnati, OH 45215
5. Reed Construction Data 30 Technology Parkway South, Suite-500 Norcross, GA 30092
6. Builders Exchange, 2300 Meadow Dr., P.O. Box 5398, Louisville, KY 40255
7. Builders Exchange, 225 Walton Avenue, Ste-100, Lexington, KY 40502
8. Allied Construction Plan Room, 3 Kovach Dr., Lockland, OH 45215
9. Kentucky Association of Disadvantaged Business Enterprises, Inc., 1608 West Broadway, Louisville, KY 40203

8. OBTAINING PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS

Plans, Specifications and Official Bid documents are no longer available from the University of Kentucky, Capital Construction Procurement Division. The University and Lynn Imaging have an agreement for duplicating and distribution services for University construction projects. Plans, Specifications and Official Bid Documents are available from:

Lynn Imaging
Attn: Dawn George-Ratcliffe
328 Old Vine Street
Lexington Kentucky 40507
Phone (859) 255-1021
Fax (859) 233-1558

In addition, Lynn Imaging and the University have a web site at: www.ukplanroom.com where plans can be ordered.

Payments for Plans, Specifications and Official Bid Documents must be made to Lynn Imaging before a set of documents will be issued.

Notes: Contractors that receive plans and specifications from other sources than Lynn Imaging must request a "Form of Proposal" from the University's Purchasing Representative to be registered as plan holders and to receive addendums.

Potential Contractors must identify the position of their firm as a prime bidder, miscellaneous subcontractor, material supplier or other when ordering of picking up Plans and Specifications.

9. BID SUBMITTAL

Contractors must submit their bid in a sealed envelope in Room #322 Peterson Service Building, Lexington, Kentucky 40506-0005 and the envelope must contain the following information on the outside lower left-hand corner:

SEALED BID INVITATION NO. **CCK-1660-10**

BID DATE: **July 24, 2009 at 3:00 P.M. LEXINGTON TIME**

Bids, upon their receipt by the University of Kentucky, Capital Construction Procurement Section are stamped showing the hour and date received. Bids received after the scheduled closing time for reception of bids will not be considered provided legal and accepted bids have been received on said referenced Invitation.

10. BID WITHDRAWAL

No bidder may withdraw his bid for a period of sixty (60) days after the date set for the opening of bids. Clerical errors and omissions in the computation of the lump sum shall not be cause for withdrawal of the bid without forfeiture of bid bond. Bids may be withdrawn in person only, prior to the closing date for receipt of bids.

11. MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PARTICIPATION

The University of Kentucky is committed to increasing the participation of minority business enterprises in construction and renovation projects, and encourages the use of minority subcontractors and material suppliers. All contractors should make an effort to locate and use minority business enterprises in bidding this project. For assistance in identifying minority vendors and subcontractors, the contractors may contact: The Kentucky Procurement Assistance Program, 500 Mero Street, 23rd Floor, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, (800-838-3266) email address CED.kpap@ky.gov, and/or The Office of Business & Occupational Development, Transportation Cabinet, 200 Mero Street, Suite 614, Frankfort, Ky. 40622, (502-564-3601) Attn: Mr. Melvin Bynes, email address Melvin.Bynes2@ky.gov

Bidders using minority enterprises as subcontractors and material suppliers are requested to identify these contractors in the space provided on the Form of Proposal. The successful contractor will be asked to supply associated contract amounts rounded to the nearest \$500.00 prior to the signing of a contract.

12. RIGHT TO REJECT

The University of Kentucky, Capital Construction Procurement Section, reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive all formalities and/or technicalities where the best interest of the University may be served.

13. GENERAL INFORMATION

A. The Listing of major subcontractors, unit prices, and material lists are to be submitted with the bid.

B. Only those Prime Contractors who have obtained Plans and Bid Documents from Lynn Imaging or a Form of Proposal directly from the University of Kentucky Purchasing Representative will be eligible to submit a bid for this project.

C. A prime bidder is to have a responsible authorized representative at the bid opening for post bid review of the apparent low bid that follows immediately after the opening and reading of the bids. Failure to comply with this requirement may be cause for rejection of bid.

14. PRE- BID CONFERENCE

A Pre-Bid Conference will be held on July 8, 2009 at 10:00AM in Parking Structure # 6 Room # 721 Building 0571, (Phone # 257-6317) located on Press Avenue at the University of Kentucky. Decisions and Clarification's discussed at this meeting will be incorporated into the bid documents by an addendum issued no later than seven (7) days prior to bidding.

Note: No transcript or report of Pre-Bid Conference will be provided.

15. WRITTEN QUESTIONS

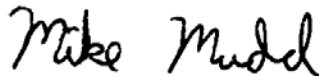
Anyone wishing to discuss specific items is requested to submit the items in writing to Mike Mudd and/or Regina Austin Capital Construction Procurement, no later than July 13, 2009. Written questions can be submitted by email to: MikeMudd2@uky.edu and/or r.austin@uky.edu or fax to 859.257.1951.

Note: Responses to Written Questions received no later than July 13, 2009 will be provided in an addendum.

16. POST BID MEETING

The apparent low bidder will be requested to meet with the Construction Manager to review the bid and scope of services. The time and place of this meeting will be announced at the bid opening.

Signed:



Mike Mudd
Capital Construction Procurement Manager

A Complete list of these and other projects that are out for bid may be viewed on the World Wide Web at the following URL: <http://www.uky.edu/Purchasing/>