NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed proposals will be received by the <u>NC Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services</u> in the office of Dr. Colleen Hudak-Wise, Ph.D at 4300 Reedy Creek Road – Raleigh, NC 27607 & <u>Conference Room</u> up to 3:00 pm <u>August 31</u>, 2023 and immediately thereafter publicly opened and read for the furnishing of labor, material and equipment entering into the construction of the HVAC equipment upgrades & Lab Exhaust Upgrades & Repairs for the NCDA & CS Eaddy Building.

The Work of Project is defined by the Contract Documents and includes, but is not limited to, the following:

Demolition consists of the removal of existing chiller and removal of existing roof exhaust fans along with their associated disconnect switches and power circuits; removal of the inlet guide vanes and fan motors on AHU-1A & AHU-1B and other work indicated in the Contract Documents.

New work consists of the installation of a new air-cooled chiller and redundant chilled water pump along with reworking of the chilled water piping system; installation of new roof exhaust fans, rework of the existing duct system, and installation of new variable frequency drives and power circuits; modifications to AHU-1A & AHU-1B including new inverter-duty fan motors with variable frequency drives; installation of a new ductless-split air conditioning system in Mechanical Room 137 and other work indicated in the Contract Documents

Bids will be received for Single Prime only. All proposals shall be lump sum.

Pre-Bid Meeting

An open pre-bid meeting will be held for all interested bidders at 9:00 AM on July 27, 2023 at NCDA&CS Eaddy Bldg. - 4300 Reedy Creek Road – Raleigh, NC 27607. The meeting will address project specific questions, issues, bidding procedures and bid forms.

Complete plans, specifications and contract documents for this project in electronic format can be obtained from RMF Engineering during normal office hours after <u>June 30, 2023</u>. Email requests for electronic documents may be sent to <u>kyle.pittman@rmf.com</u>. Full printed copies may be obtained by those qualified as prime bidders, upon deposit of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200) in cash or certified check with a minimum of 48 hours' notice to <u>kyle.pittman@rmf.com</u>. The full plan deposit will be returned to those bidders provided all documents are returned Bound, good, usuable condition within ten (10) days after the bid date.

Project documents are available for review through the online plan rooms of: Associated General Contractors, Carolinas Branch, in the online plan room of McGraw-Hill Dodge Corporation, and Reed Construction Data and in Minority Plan Rooms East Coast Digital (ECD) Plan Room Provider

Project documents will be submitted to <u>NCIMED Plan & Resource Center</u>, 114 West Parrish Street, 6th Floor, Durham, NC 27701, 919-956-8889 or 919-287-3036

Minority plan room information for <u>Hispanic Contractors Association of the Carolinas (HCAC) in Winston-Salem, Charlotte and Raleigh Areas – 877-227-1680</u> will be verified prior to issuing documents.

NOTE: The bidder shall include <u>with the bid proposal</u> the form *Identification of Minority Business Participation* identifying the minority business participation it will use on the project <u>and</u> shall include either *Affidavit* **A** or *Affidavit* **B** as applicable. Forms and instructions are included within the Proposal Form in the bid documents. Failure to complete these forms is grounds for rejection of the bid. (GS143-128.2c Effective 1/1/2002.)

All contractors are hereby notified that they must have proper license as required under the state laws governing their respective trades.

General contractors are notified that Chapter 87, Article 1, General Statutes of North Carolina, will be observed in receiving and awarding general contracts. General contractors submitting bids on this project must have license classification for Unlimited Building.

NOTE--SINGLE PRIME CONTRACTS: Under GS 87-1, a contractor that superintends or manages construction of any building, highway, public utility, grading, structure or improvement shall be deemed a "general contractor" and shall be so licensed. Therefore a single prime project that involves other trades will require the single prime contractor to hold a proper General Contractors license. EXCEPT: On public buildings being bid single prime, where the total value of the general construction does not exceed 25% of the total construction value, contractors under GS87- Arts 2 and 4 (Plumbing, Mechanical & Electrical) may bid and contract directly with the Owner as the SINGLE PRIME CONTRACTOR and may subcontract to other properly licensed trades. GS87-1.1- Rules .0210

Each proposal shall be accompanied by a cash deposit or a certified check drawn on some bank or trust company, insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, of an amount equal to not less than five percent (5%) of the proposal, or in lieu thereof a bidder may offer a bid bond of five percent (5%) of the bid executed by a surety company licensed under the laws of North Carolina to execute the contract in accordance with the bid bond. Said deposit shall be retained by the owner as liquidated damages in event of failure of the successful bidder to execute the contract within ten days after the award or to give satisfactory surety as required by law.

A performance bond and a payment bond will be required for one hundred percent (100%) of the contract price.

Payment will be made based on ninety-five percent (95%) of monthly estimates and final payment made upon completion and acceptance of work.

No bid may be withdrawn after the scheduled closing time for the receipt of bids for a period of 30 days.

The owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive informalities.

Designer: Owner:

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