

Invitation to Bid

Sealed bids will be received by the State Engineer on behalf of the Department of Corrections at the Office of the State Engineer, Joe Foss Building, 523 East Capitol Ave, Pierre, South Dakota 57501-3182 until December 10th, 2015 2:00 PM CT for replacement of hot water storage tanks at the South Dakota State Prison. OSE# C1216-02X.

Combined Bids will be received for replacing three hot water storage tanks in the Sioux Falls Community Work Center (formerly Jameson Unit C) for the South Dakota State Prison (SDSP) including all necessary general, electrical, and mechanical work needed.

Bidders please note: A pre-bid meeting is scheduled for December 4th, 1:00 PM CT at the South Dakota State Penitentiary, 1600 N North Drive, Sioux Falls, South Dakota. Meet at the main entrance. The pre-bid meeting is not mandatory; however, this will be the only opportunity for bidders to visit the site prior to the bid opening. All contractors planning to attend the pre-bid meeting must submit the access approval forms in the Special Conditions of the Project Manual. Fax completed Clearance Request and Release and Waiver forms to Ms. Michelle Thill at (605) 367-5038 or email scanned documents to michelle.thill@state.sd.us. SDSP requires a minimum of three working days notice to process information, unless otherwise specified. If you have any questions, please contact Jeff Wieman, Physical Plant Manager at (605) 367-5180. The submission of bids is conclusive evidence that the bidder is satisfied as to the conditions to be encountered and the requirements of the bid, the Plans and Specifications, and the other Contract Documents.

Copies of the Plans and Specifications may be obtained by bidders at the office of West Plains Engineering, 4609 South Techlink Circle, Sioux Falls, South Dakota 57106 – (605) 362-3753. Copies are also on file for viewing purposes at the Office of the State Engineer. Anyone requesting, reviewing, or copying Plans and Specifications for this project (such individual is hereinafter referred to as "bidder") agrees that they are doing so for the sole purpose of submitting a bid on the project. In consideration of the State of South Dakota providing such Plans and Specifications for the purpose of preparing a bid, Bidder further agrees:

- A. The Plans and Specifications are the sole property of the State;
- B. Any copies of the Plans and Specifications obtained directly from the State will be returned to the office of West Plains Engineering immediately after the State provides notice that bidder will not be awarded a contract, or thirty (30) days after the bid opening for the project, whichever occurs first;
- C. Any copies of the Plans and Specifications made by the bidder will be destroyed immediately after the State provides notice that bidder will not be awarded a contract, or thirty (30) days after the bid opening for the project, whichever occurs first;
- D. If bidder does not submit a bid, bidder will fulfill the requirements of B and C above on or before the date of the bid opening;
- E. The Plans and Specifications are to be used only with respect to this project and are not to be used for any other project or purposes other than preparing a bid for this project;
- F. The Plans and Specifications will not be disseminated to any person or entity for purposes other than obtaining pricing information without the express written approval of the state;
- G. All information contained in the Plans and Specifications is confidential; and
- H. Should the bidder disseminate the Plans and Specifications to an individual or entity for purposes of obtaining pricing information, the bidder will require that individual or entity to adhere to the terms set forth herein. The bidder, however, assumes no liability for the misuse of the Plans and Specifications by such third party or such third party's failure to comply with the provisions contained herein.

Should bidder be awarded a contract for construction of the project, bidder does not need to return or destroy Plans and Specifications until after completion of the project. Each bid in excess of \$50,000.00 must be accompanied by a certified check, cashier's check or draft in the amount of 5% of the base bid and all add alternates and drawn on a State or National Bank or a 10% bid bond issued by a surety authorized to do business in the State of South Dakota and made payable to the Department of Corrections. The DOC reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any irregularities therein.


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Office of the State Engineer

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