



THE PORT AUTHORITY OF NY & NJ

PURCHASING SERVICES DIVISION
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INVITATION FOR BID/PUBLIC BID OPENING

BID INFORMATION

TITLE: INSPECTION, MAINTENANCE, TESTING, REPAIR AND CENTRAL STATION MONITORING FOR FIRE ALARM SYSTEMS AT THE GEORGE WASHINGTON BRIDGE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING AND BUS STATION IN NEW YORK & NEW JERSEY

BID NO.: 22315

SUBMIT SEALED BIDS BEFORE THE DUE DATE AND TIME TO THE ABOVE ADDRESS
WHERE THEY WILL BE PUBLICLY OPENED AND READ

BID DUE DATE: 9/22/10

TIME: 11:00 AM

**BUYER NAME: BOB VEIT
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BIDDER INFORMATION (TO BE COMPLETED BY THE BIDDER) (PLEASE PRINT)

(NAME OF BIDDING ENTITY)

(ADDRESS)

(CITY, STATE AND ZIP CODE)

(REPRESENTATIVE TO CONTACT-NAME & TITLE (TELEPHONE)

(FEDERAL TAX I.D. NO.) (FAX NO.)

____ BUSINESS CORPORATION _____ PARTNERSHIP _____ INDIVIDUAL

____ OTHER (SPECIFY): _____

INVITATION FOR BID

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PART I - STANDARD INFORMATION FOR BIDDERS

1. General Information: The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey

The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey (the "Port Authority" or the "Authority") is an agency of the States of New York and New Jersey, created and existing by virtue of the Compact of April 30, 1921, made by and between the two States, and thereafter consented to by the Congress of the United States. It is charged with providing transportation, terminal and other facilities of trade and commerce within the Port District. The Port District comprises an area of about 1,500 square miles in both States, centering about New York Harbor. The Port District includes the Cities of New York and Yonkers in New York State, and the cities of Newark, Jersey City, Bayonne, Hoboken and Elizabeth in the State of New Jersey, and over 200 other municipalities, including all or part of seventeen counties, in the two States. The Port Authority manages and/or operates all of the region's major commercial airports (Newark Liberty International, John F. Kennedy International, Teterboro, LaGuardia and Stewart International Airports), marine terminals in both New Jersey and New York (Port Newark and Elizabeth, Howland Hook and Brooklyn Piers); and its interstate tunnels and bridges (the Lincoln and Holland Tunnels; the George Washington, Bayonne, and Goethals Bridges; and the Outerbridge Crossing), which are vital "Gateways to the Nation."

In addition, the Port Authority operates the Port Authority Bus Terminal in Manhattan, the largest facility of its kind in the world, and the George Washington Bridge and Journal Square Transportation Center bus stations. A key link in interstate commuter travel, the Port Authority also operates the Port Authority Trans-Hudson Corporation (PATH), a rapid rail transit system linking Newark, and the Jersey City and Hoboken waterfronts, with midtown and downtown Manhattan. A number of other key properties are managed by the agency including but not limited to a large satellite communications facility (the Teleport) in Staten Island, and a resource recovery co-generation plant in Newark. Prior to September 11, 2001, the Port Authority's headquarters were located in the World Trade Center, and that complex is still owned and being partially redeveloped by the Authority.

2. Form and Submission of Bid

The Bidder shall review carefully every provision of this document, provide all the information required, and sign and return one entire copy to the Port Authority in accordance with the instructions on the Cover Sheet and Part II – Contract Specific Information for Bidders. The Bidder should retain one complete duplicate copy for its own use. The "Signature Sheet" contained herein must be completed and signed by the Bidder. The Pricing Sheet(s) contained herein must also be completed. The bid shall be sealed in the enclosed self-addressed envelope conspicuously marked with the Bidder's name, address, and Vendor Number, if available. In addition, the outside of the package must clearly state the Bid title, the Bid Collective Number and the Bid Due Date. Failure to properly label submissions may cause a delay in identification, misdirection or disqualification of the submissions. In submitting this bid, the Bidder offers to assume the obligations and liabilities imposed upon it herein and expressly makes the representations and warranties required in this document.

All Bids must be received by the bid custodian on or before the due date and time specified on the cover page, at which time they will be publicly opened and read. Bids are only accepted Monday through Friday, excluding Port Authority holidays, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., via (1) regular mail, (2) express delivery service (e.g. UPS), or (3) hand delivery. If your bid is to be hand-delivered by messenger or you are planning to attend the formal bid opening, please note that only individuals with valid photo identification will be permitted access to the Port Authority's offices. Individuals without valid identification shall be turned away and their packages not accepted. Bids that are not received by the bid custodian by the scheduled bid opening date will be considered late.

3. Vendor Profile

To ensure maximum opportunities, it is vitally important that Bidders keep their vendor profiles up to date with an appropriate e-mail address, as this will enable their firm to receive timely notice of advertisements, reminders, solicitations and addenda. Bidders may update their vendor profile or register as a Port Authority Vendor by accessing the online registration system at <https://panynjprocure.com/VenLogon.asp>.

4. Acknowledgment of Addenda

If any Addenda are posted or sent as part of this Bid, the Bidder shall complete, sign and include with its Bid the addenda form(s). In the event any Bidder fails to conform to these instructions, its Bid will nevertheless be construed as though the Addenda had been acknowledged.

If the Bidder downloaded this solicitation document, it is the responsibility of the Bidder to periodically check the Port Authority website at <http://www.panynj.gov/business-opportunities/bid-proposal-advertisements.html> and download any addenda that might have been issued in connection with this solicitation.

5. Firm Offer

The Bidder offers to provide the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey the services and to perform all Work in connection therewith required under this Contract, all as specified by the terms and conditions of the Contract, based on the Pricing Sheets provided herein.

EXCEPTIONS TAKEN OR CONDITIONS IMPOSED BY A BIDDER TO ANY PORTION OF THE CONTRACT DOCUMENTS WILL RESULT IN REJECTION OF THE BID.

6. Acceptance or Rejection of Bids

The acceptance of a bid will be by a written notice signed by an authorized representative on behalf of the Authority. No other act of the Port Authority, its Commissioners, officers, agents or employees shall constitute acceptance of a bid. The Port Authority reserves the unqualified right, in its sole and absolute discretion, to reject any or all bids or to accept any bid, which in its judgment will best serve the

public interest and to waive defects in any bid. No rights accrue to any Bidder unless and until its bid is accepted.

7. Bidder's Questions

Any questions by prospective Bidders concerning the Work to be performed or the terms and conditions of the Contract may be addressed to the Contracts Specialist listed on the Cover Sheet of this document. The Contracts Specialist is only authorized to direct the attention of prospective Bidders to the portions of the Contract. No employee of the Port Authority is authorized to interpret any portion of the Contract or to give information in addition to that contained in the Contract. When Contract interpretation or additional information as to the Contract requirements is deemed necessary by the Port Authority, it will be communicated to all Bidders by written addenda issued under the name of the Manager, Purchasing Services Division of the Port Authority and may be posted on the Port Authority website. Addenda shall be considered part of the Contract.

8. Additional Information To and From Bidders

Should the Authority require additional information from the Bidder in connection with its bid, such information shall be submitted within the time frame specified by the Port Authority.

If the Bidder is a corporation, a statement of the names and residences of its officers should be submitted on the Name and Residence of Principals Sheet, directly following the Signature Sheet.

9. Union Jurisdiction

All prospective Bidders are advised to ascertain whether any union now represented or not represented at the Facility will claim jurisdiction over any aspect of the operations to be performed hereunder and their attention is directed to the paragraph entitled "Harmony" in the Standard Contract Terms and Conditions.

10. Assessment of Bid Requirements

The Bidder should carefully examine and study the entire contents of these bid documents and shall make its own determinations as to the services and materials to be supplied and all other things required to be done by the Contractor.

11. Bidder's Prerequisites

Only Bidders who can comply with the prerequisites specified in Part II hereof at the time of the submission of its bid should submit bids, as only bids submitted by such Bidders will be considered. By furnishing this document to the Bidder, the Port Authority has not made a determination that the Bidder has met the prerequisites or has otherwise been deemed qualified to perform the services. A determination that a

Bidder has met the prerequisites is no assurance that it will be deemed qualified in connection with other bid requirements included herein.

12. Qualification Information

The Port Authority may give oral or written notice to the Bidder to furnish the Port Authority with information and to meet with designated representatives of the Port Authority relating to the Bidder's qualifications and ability to fulfill the Contractor's obligations hereunder. The requested information shall be submitted no later than three (3) days after said notice unless otherwise indicated. Matters upon which the Port Authority may inquire may include, but may not be limited to, the following:

- a. The Bidder may be required to demonstrate that it is financially capable of performing this Contract, and the determination of the Bidder's financial qualifications will be made by the Port Authority in its sole discretion. The Bidder shall submit such financial and other relevant information as may be required by the Port Authority from time to time including, but not limited to, the following:
 1. (i) Certified financial statements, including applicable notes, reflecting the Bidder's assets, liabilities, net worth, revenues, expenses, profit or loss and cash flow for the most recent calendar year or the Bidder's most recent fiscal year.

(ii) Where the certified financial statements set forth in (i) above are not available, then either reviewed or compiled statements from an independent accountant setting forth the aforementioned information shall be provided.

(iii) Where neither certified financial statements nor financial statements from an independent accountant are available, as set forth in (i) and (ii) above, then financial statements containing such information prepared directly by the Bidder may be submitted; such financial statements, however, must be accompanied by a signed copy of the Bidder's most recent Federal income tax return and a statement in writing from the Bidder, signed by an executive officer or their authorized designee, that such statements accurately reflect the present financial condition of the Bidder.

Where the statements submitted pursuant to subparagraphs (i), (ii) or (iii) are dated prior to forty-five (45) days before the bid opening, then the Bidder shall submit a statement in writing, signed by an executive officer of the Bidder or their designee, that the present financial condition of the Bidder is at least as good as that shown on the statements submitted.
2. Bidder's statement of work on hand, including any work on which a bid has been submitted, and containing a description of the work, the annual dollar value, the location by city and state, the current percentage of completion, the expected date for completion, and the name of an individual most familiar with the Bidder's work on these jobs.

3. The name and address of the Bidder's banking institution, chief banking representative handling the Bidder's account, the Bidder's Federal Employer Identification Number (i.e., the number assigned to firms by the Federal Government for tax purposes), the Bidder's Dun and Bradstreet number, if any, the name of any other credit service to which the Bidder has furnished information, and the number, if any, assigned by such service to the Bidder's account.
- b. Information relating to the Bidder's Prerequisites, if any, as set forth in this document.
- c. If the Bidder is a corporation: (1) a copy of its Certificate of Incorporation and, if applicable, all Amendments thereto with a written declaration signed by the Secretary of the Corporation with the corporate seal affixed thereto, stating that the copy furnished is a true copy of the Certificate of Incorporation and any such Amendments as of the date of the opening of the bid and (2) if the Bidder is not incorporated under the laws of the state in which the service is to be performed, a certificate from the Secretary of State of said state evidencing the Bidder's legal qualification to do business in that state.
- d. A statement setting forth the names of those personnel to be in overall charge of the service and those who would be exclusively assigned to supervise the service and their specific roles therein, setting forth as to each the number of years of experience and in which functions and capacities each would serve.
- e. Information to supplement any statement submitted in accordance with the Standard Contract Terms and Conditions entitled "Contractor's Integrity Provisions."
- f. In the event that the Bidder's performance on a current or past Port Authority or Port Authority Trans-Hudson Corporation (PATH) contract or contracts has been rated less than satisfactory, the Manager, Purchasing Services Division, may give oral or written notice to the Bidder to furnish information demonstrating to the satisfaction of such Manager that, notwithstanding such rating, such performance was in fact satisfactory or that the circumstances which gave rise to such unsatisfactory rating have changed or will not apply to performance of this Contract, and that such performance will be satisfactory.
- g. The Bidder recognizes that it may be required to demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Port Authority that it in fact can perform the services as called for in this Contract and that it may be required to substantiate the warranties and representations set forth herein and the statements and assurances it may be required to give.

Neither the giving of any of the aforesaid notices to a Bidder, the submission of materials by a Bidder, any meeting which the Bidder may have with the Port Authority, nor anything stated by the Port Authority in any such meeting shall be construed or alleged to be construed as an acceptance of said Bidder's bid. Nothing stated in any such meeting shall be deemed to release any Bidder from its offer as contained in the bid.

13. Facility Inspection

Details regarding the Facility inspection for all parties interested in submitting a bid are stipulated in Part II hereof. All Bidders must present company identification and photo identification for access to the Facility.

14. Available Documents - General

Certain documents, listed in Part II hereof, will be made available for reference and examination by Bidders either at the Facility Inspection, or during regular business hours. Arrangements to review these documents at a time other than the Facility Inspection may be made by contacting the person listed in Part II as the contact for the Facility Inspection.

These documents were not prepared for the purpose of providing information for Bidders upon this Contract but they were prepared for other purposes, such as for other contracts or for design purposes for this or other contracts, and they do not form a part of this Contract. The Port Authority makes no representation or guarantee as to, and shall not be responsible for, their accuracy, completeness or pertinence, and, in addition, shall not be responsible for the inferences or conclusions to be drawn there from.

15. Pre-award Meeting

The lowest qualified Bidder may be called for a pre-award meeting prior to award of the Contract.

16. Price Preference

A price preference may be available for Minority/Women Business Enterprises (M/WBEs) or Small Business Enterprises (SBEs) as set forth in the Standard Contract Terms and Conditions.

17. Good Faith Participation

The Contractor shall use every good-faith effort to provide for meaningful participation by certified Minority Business Enterprises (MBEs) and certified Women-owned Business Enterprises (WBEs) as defined in the Standard Contract Terms and Conditions, in all purchasing, subcontracting and ancillary service opportunities associated with this Contract, including purchase of equipment, supplies and labor services.

Good Faith efforts to include participation by MBEs/WBEs shall include the following:

- a. Dividing the services and materials to be procured into small portions, where feasible.
- b. Giving reasonable advance notice of specific contracting, subcontracting and purchasing opportunities to such MBEs/WBEs as may be appropriate.