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INVITATION FOR BIDS

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This invitation is the official advertisement and solicitation for bids issued by the Illinois Department of Transportation to secure the performance of highway work by contract, airport work by contract and contract work solicited by the Illinois Department of Natural Resources. The Invitation for Bids is published in this Transportation Bulletin and is available on the Department's website at <http://www.dot.il.gov> and through electronic subscription. Questions concerning this invitation should be directed to:

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NOTICE OF LETTING – MARCH 11, 2011

1. **LETTING DUE DATE AND TIME FOR SUBMISSION AND OPENING OF BIDS.** The Department of Transportation is requesting offers in the form of sealed bids from responsible contractors to fill the State's needs as described in this invitation. Sealed bids for the contract items described herein will be accepted at the above address of the Chief Contract Official and at the auditorium in the Harry R. Hanley Building by U.S. Mail, delivery service or hand deposit until 10:00 a.m. prevailing local time **March 11, 2011**, at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read. The Department will not open or read bids received after the stated opening date and time.
2. **RULES GOVERNING LETTING.** This letting is subject to and governed by the rules of the Department adopted at [44 Illinois Administrative Code Section 650](#) and [Section 660](#), and by the provisions of this invitation. Copies of the rules are available by contacting the above address of the Chief Contracts Official.
3. **INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS.** Read the following instructions carefully before submitting any bid. Failure to follow these instructions and the rules may result in the rejection of your bid. The Department reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive minor or immaterial irregularities, informalities or technicalities, to advertise for new bids, or to request confirmation or clarification from any bidder regarding a bid.

- (a) **CONTRACT ITEM DESCRIPTIONS.** A summary description of each contract item advertised in this invitation is given following these instructions by item numbers. Bids shall be submitted by item number. A contract number appears after the item number. The contract number will also be shown on the contract documents for the contract that the item number represents. The summary description provided for the proposed work, quantities and time for completion for each item are for information only and are subject to the terms published in the contract documents for bidding.
- (b) **CONTRACT DOCUMENTS FOR BIDDING.** Contract documents for bidding include a Notice to Bidders, Specifications, Proposal, Contract and Contract Bond document and a set of Plan documents. These documents may be separate or combined into one document. Contract documents for bidding applicable to each item number advertised in this invitation may be examined at the above address of the Chief Contracts Official. In addition, contract documents for bidding highway work may be examined at the respective District Offices in which the prospective work is located. The names and addresses of the District Engineers are as follows:

REGION	DISTRICT	ENGINEER	ADDRESS
1	1	D. M. O'Keefe	201 West Center Court, Schaumburg, IL 60196-1096
2	2	E. S. Therkildsen	819 Depot Avenue, Dixon, IL 61021-3546
2	3	E. S. Therkildsen	700 East Norris Drive, PO Box 697, Ottawa, IL 61350-0697
3	4	J. E. Crowe	401 Main Street, Peoria, IL 61602-1111
3	5	J. E. Crowe	13473 IL Hwy 133, PO Box 610, Paris, IL 61944-0610
4	6	R. L. Driskell	126 East Ash Street, Springfield, IL 62704-4792
4	7	R. L. Driskell	400 West Wabash, Effingham, IL 62401-2699
5	8	M. C. Lamie	1102 Eastport Plaza Dr., Collinsville, IL 62234-6198
5	9	M. C. Lamie	State Transportation Bldg., PO Box 100, Carbondale, IL 62901-0100

Contract documents for bidding will not be loaned to prospective bidders. Electronic plans and proposals may be downloaded from the Department's web site <http://www.dot.il.gov/desenv/delett.html>.

- (c) **PREQUALIFICATION.** Any contractor desiring to submit a bid shall be prequalified in accordance with the rules of the Department, adopted at 44 Illinois Administrative Code Section 650, prior to being granted authorization to bid. Prequalification may be waived for particular contract items. In such cases, the manner of determining bidder responsibility will be stated in the contract documents for bidding. Contractors who desire to become prequalified or to renew their prequalification for this letting must file with the Department of Transportation, Bureau of Construction, Room 322, 2300 South Dirksen Parkway, Springfield, Illinois 62764, a Contractor's Statement of Experience and Financial Condition no later than 4:30 p.m. prevailing local time, **February 18, 2011**. A contractor will not be prequalified for this letting unless the statement is received before the time and day established.

- (d) AUTHORIZATION TO BID. Contractors planning to submit a bid MUST request authorization to bid prior to 4:30 p.m. prevailing time [March 8, 2011](#). No authorization to bid will be issued after that time. Requests for authorization to bid submitted by U.S. Mail or courier delivery will not be honored unless received prior to 4:30 p.m. prevailing local time [March 8, 2011](#) at the Department of Transportation, Bureau of Construction, Room 322, 2300 South Dirksen Parkway, Springfield, Illinois 62764. The Request for Authorization to Bid/or Not For Bid Status” ([BDE 124](#)) can be downloaded from the Department’s Website.
- (e) AFFIDAVIT OF AVAILABILITY. In addition to the authorization to bid, prospective bidders shall submit an Affidavit of Availability prior to 4:30 p.m. prevailing time [March 8, 2011](#). The Affidavit must include all uncompleted contracts awarded to them and all low bids pending award for all public and private work using the prescribed format. The sworn statement relative to contracts and pending awards must be in complete detail, be properly signed and be notarized. Facsimiles of the sworn statement will be accepted for analysis, but Authorization to Bid will be issued only upon receipt of a signed and properly completed original Affidavit of Availability. Any omission or misstatement of fact in the sworn statement will be considered as sufficient grounds for the disqualification of the bidder and the rejection of bids. Prospective bidders shall notify the Department within two working days of any low bids pending award or contracts awarded which might occur between the date of submission of the sworn statement and the date of letting. The Affidavit of Availability ([BC 57](#)). can be downloaded from the Department’s Website.
- (f) JOINT VENTURES. Prequalified contractors desiring to bid as a joint venture must submit the properly completed documentation no later than 4:30 p.m. prevailing local time [March 4, 2011](#). The required forms for the joint venture are:
- “Affidavit of Availability” ([BC 57](#)) from each of the joint venture entities,
 - “Certificate of Joint Venture” ([BC 2267](#)),
 - “Request for Authorization to Bid/or Not for Bid Status” ([BDE 124](#)).
- The Certificate of Joint Venture and the Request for Authorization to Bid/or Not for Bid Status forms **must** be in the name of the Joint Venture. The original, signed and notarized Certificate of Joint Venture and Affidavits of Availability must be received before consideration will be given for the Joint Venture request.
- (g) EXAMINATION OF CONTRACT DOCUMENTS AND SITE OF THE WORK. The bidder shall, before submitting a bid on any contract item, carefully examine the provisions of the contract documents for bidding and all contract documents referenced therein that comprise the contract as defined in Article 101.09 of the Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction. The bidder shall inspect in detail the site of the proposed work, investigate and become familiar with all the local conditions affecting the contract and the detailed requirements for construction.

If the Department has made a sub-surface examination of the site of the work, the borings, test pits, or other information pertaining thereto are available for examination by all bidders by written request to the office of the District Engineer of the district in which the work is to be performed. The availability of subsurface information from the Department is solely for the convenience and information of the bidder and shall not relieve the bidder of the duty to make, and the risk of making, examinations and investigations as required to assess conditions affecting the work. Any data furnished in the contract plans is for information only and does not constitute a part of the contract. The Department makes no representation or warranty, expressed or implied, as to the information conveyed or as to any interpretations made from the data.

Submission of a bid shall be a conclusive assurance and warranty the bidder has made these examinations and the bidder understands all requirements for the performance of the work. If the bid is accepted, the bidder will be responsible for all errors in the proposal resulting from a failure or neglect to comply with these instructions. The Department will not be responsible for any costs, expenses, losses, or change in anticipated profits resulting from such failure or neglect of the bidder to make these examinations.

The bidder shall take no advantage of any error or omission in the proposal and advertised contract. Any prospective bidder who desires an explanation or interpretation of the plans, specifications, or any of the contract documents, shall request such in writing from the Central Bureau of Design and Environment at the above address of the Chief Contracts Official. The request should be made in sufficient time to allow a written reply by the Department that can reach all prospective bidders before submission of their bids. Any reply given a prospective bidder concerning any of the contract documents, plans, and specifications will be furnished to all prospective bidders in the form determined by the Department including, but not limited to, an addendum, if the information is deemed by the Department to be necessary in submitting bids or if the Department concludes the information would aid competition. Oral explanations, interpretations, or instructions given before the submission of bids unless at a pre-bid conference will not be binding on the Department.

- (h) ADDITIONAL INSTRUCTIONS. The Notice to Bidders, Specifications, Proposal, Contract and Contract Bond document for each contract item includes specific and additional information and instructions pertaining to submission of bids. That information should be carefully read and the instructions followed by the bidder.
- 4. IMPORTANT DATES FOR BIDDERS. All due dates published in this invitation are summarized for convenient reference by potential bidders on the page entitled "Important Dates for Bidders". Bidders are cautioned that all due dates are strictly enforced.
- 5. PART OF THE CONTRACT. This invitation is made part of the contract by operation of Article 101.09 of the Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction.

This invitation issued under the authority of the Department of Transportation, State of Illinois.

Gary Hannig,
Secretary of Transportation

IMPORTANT DATES FOR BIDDERS

March 11, 2011 Bid Opening

PREQUALIFICATION

Any contractor who desires to become prequalified to bid on work advertised by IDOT must submit the properly completed prequalification forms to the Bureau of Construction no later than 4:30 p.m. prevailing time twenty-one days prior to the letting of interest. This prequalification requirement applies to first time contractors, contractors renewing expired ratings, contractors maintaining continuous prequalification or contractors requesting revised ratings

The prequalification cut-off date is 4:30 p.m. prevailing time **February 18, 2011** .
To be eligible to bid, existing prequalification ratings must be effective through the date of letting.

JOINT VENTURES

Prequalified contractors wishing to combine bidding capacity and bid items as joint ventures must submit the appropriate properly completed forms no later than 4:30 p.m. prevailing time, seven (7) days prior to the letting date. The required joint venture forms are the "Request for Authorization to Bid/or Not for Bid Status" (BDE 124), the ORIGINAL "Affidavit of Availability" (BC 57) and the ORIGINAL "Certificate of Joint Venture" (BC 2267).

The Joint venture cut-off date is 4:30 p.m. prevailing time **March 4, 2011** .

REQUESTS FOR AUTHORIZATION TO BID

Contractors wanting to bid on items included in a particular letting must submit the properly completed "Request for Authorization to Bid/or Not for Bid Status" (BDE 124) and the properly completed ORIGINAL "Affidavit of Availability" (BC 57) to the proper office no later than 4:30 p.m. prevailing time, three (3) days prior to the letting date.

The Authorization to Bid request cut-off date is 4:30 p.m. prevailing time **March 8, 2011** .

SUBMITTAL OF BIDS

The time and place of letting is always listed in the Transportation Bulletin. Most lettings are held at 10:00 a.m. prevailing time in the Auditorium of the IDOT Harry R. Hanley Building located at 2300 South Dirksen Parkway, Springfield, Illinois.

No bid will be accepted unless delivered prior to the time specified in the Transportation Bulletin. Bidders submitting bids by U.S. Mail or courier are cautioned to allow sufficient time for delivery.

DBE UTILIZATION PLANS

Projects with DBE participation require all bidders to submit a DBE Utilization Plan with their bid.

ADDITIONAL AWARD CRITERIA

Projects requiring Additional Award Criteria require the AS-READ-LOW-BIDDER to submit the required criteria to the Contracts Office within seven (7) working days after the letting.

The cut-off date for the submittal of the required criteria is **March 22, 2011** .

IDOT LETTING SCHEDULE
2011 - 2012

Transportation Bulletin	Pre-Qualification "Cut Off"	Joint Venture "Cut Off"	Bid Authorization "Cut Off"	Letting Day	DBE Utilization Plan (SBE 2025 and SBE 2026)
1/28/2011	2/4/2011	2/18/2011	2/22/2011	2/25/2011	Submit With Bid
2/4/2011	2/18/2011	3/4/2011	3/8/2011	3/11/2011	Submit With Bid
3/25/2011	4/8/2011	4/22/2011	4/26/2011	4/29/2011	Submit With Bid
5/13/2011	5/27/2011	6/10/2011	6/14/2011	6/17/2011	Submit With Bid
7/1/2011	7/15/2011	7/29/2011	8/2/2011	8/5/2011	Submit With Bid
8/19/2011	9/2/2011	9/16/2011	9/20/2011	9/23/2011	Submit With Bid
10/14/2011	10/28/2011	11/14/2011	11/15/2011	11/18/2011	Submit With Bid
12/9/2011	12/30/2011	1/13/2012	1/17/2012	1/20/2012	Submit With Bid
2/3/2012	2/17/2012	3/2/2012	3/6/2012	3/9/2012	Submit With Bid
3/23/2012	4/6/2012	4/20/2012	4/24/2012	4/27/2012	Submit With Bid
5/11/2012	5/25/2012	6/8/2012	6/12/2012	6/15/2012	Submit With Bid
6/29/2012	7/13/2012	7/27/2012	7/31/2012	8/3/2012	Submit With Bid
8/17/2012	8/31/2012	9/14/2012	9/18/2012	9/21/2012	Submit With Bid
10/5/2012	10/19/2012	11/2/2012	11/6/2012	11/9/2012	Submit With Bid

