

**DELAWARE RIVER JOINT TOLL BRIDGE COMMISSION
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES
110 WOOD AND GROVE STREETS
MORRISVILLE, PENNSYLVANIA 19067**

**CONTRACT NO. TS-687A, CAPITAL PROJECT 1419A
LOWER TRENTON TOLL-SUPPORTED BRIDGE
REPLACEMENT OF SIGN LIGHTING ELEMENTS**

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

March 28, 2017

Sealed bids for Contract No. TS-687A Capital Project 1419A, Lower Trenton Toll-Supported Bridge Replacement of Sign Lighting Elements will be received by the Delaware River Joint Toll Bridge Commission at its headquarters in the Administration Building, 110 Wood and Grove Streets, Morrisville, Pennsylvania 19067 until **2:00 PM (Local Time), April 27, 2017** at which time and place all bids will be publicly opened and read.

The Lower Trenton Toll-Supported Bridge carries SR 2060/Bridge Street across the Delaware River and connects the Borough of Morrisville, Bucks County, Pennsylvania with the City of Trenton, Mercer County, New Jersey. The bridge is a five-span, riveted steel, subdivided Warren Truss structure with a total length of approximately 1,019 feet between end pins and open grate steel grid decking. Spans 3 and 4 of the downstream truss support the iconic “Trenton Makes...The World Takes” sign comprised of individual letter housings that are 9’-6” in height.

All work in this project, consisting of, but not limited to, the following items of work, shall be carried out according to the Contract Plans and Specifications within the specified construction time limitations. Specific repairs to the sign lighting elements on the Lower Trenton Toll-Supported Bridge include, but are not limited to:

- A. *Replacement of the Existing Sign Lighting Elements:* The neon tube lighting elements and the electrical power supply system for the “Trenton Makes...The World Takes” sign will be removed by the contractor as indicated on the plans and special provisions. The existing letter housings are to be left in-place, but shall be cleaned and painted as indicated. New color-changing LED strip lighting elements and electrical supply components will be furnished and installed by the contractor. The Contractor will also be required to supply all materials, devices, and manpower for the maintenance and protection of traffic pattern necessary to accommodate the lighting installation.

Each bid must be accompanied by a bid security in the form of a Certified Check or Bid Bond made payable to the Delaware River Joint Toll Bridge Commission in the sum of ten percent (10%) of the Total Bid Amount. If the Bidder is awarded the Contract and the Bidder fails to execute the Contract, furnish the performance and payment bonds or insurance certificates required within 10 calendar days, the Bidder agrees to forfeit to the Commission, as liquidated damages and not as a penalty, the difference, not to exceed the amount of this bid security, between the amount specified in this bid and such larger amount for which the Commission may in good faith contract with another party to perform the work covered by this bid; otherwise, the bid security will be returned to the Bidder.

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Beginning **March 28, 2017** the Contract Documents may be examined at the Commission offices in Morrisville, where a USB flash drive containing electronic copies of the Contract Documents may be obtained with a money order or company check in the amount of \$75.00, which is not refundable.

Bidders are required to provide proof of experience and qualifications. The prime contractor and/or subcontractors must attest to possessing five (5) years continuous experience in sign erection and lighting as specified in the special provisions. In order to be considered the prime contractor, he or she must perform 51% of the work and must be qualified in the items of work pertaining to the 51% claimed.

Bidders shall also certify compliance with the requirements of the Affirmative Action Program of the Commission.

Documents showing proof of being duly authorized to do business in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and/or the State of New Jersey must also accompany the bid.

The Commission has implemented a program for the utilization of certified Identified Business Enterprise (IBE) contractors, subcontractors, and suppliers. The program in effect for this contract is an IBE target of 25% as detailed in the Specifications. In addition, a Responsible Contractor certification is required to be submitted with the bid also as detailed in the Specifications.

Potential Bidders may have an officer or an authorized representative of their company attend a - Pre-Bid Conference at **10:00 AM, Thursday, April 6, 2017** at the Commission's Administration Offices located at the Trenton-Morrisville Toll Bridge Facility Administration Building located at 110 Wood and Grove Streets, Morrisville, PA 19067.

All questions about the meaning or intent of the Contract Documents shall be directed, in writing, to Roy W. Little, PE, Chief Engineer, Delaware River Joint Toll Bridge Commission, Administration Building, 110 Wood and Grove Streets, Morrisville, PA 19067, Attention: Chris T. Harney, Project Manager. Email inquiries are to be directed to the Project Manager (ctharney@drjtbc.org) with copy to the Chief Engineer (rlittle@drjtbc.org). Written questions received later than the close of business on **Friday, April 14, 2017** will not be answered. Replies will be issued only by Addenda which will be posted on the Commission's website, mailed or delivered no later than **Tuesday, April 18, 2017** to all parties recorded by the Engineer as having received the Bidding Documents. Only questions answered by formal written clarifications will be binding. Oral and other interpretations or clarifications will be without legal effect. No oral questions will be accepted, all questions must be in writing. All inquiries during the bidding period should be addressed to the Engineer referencing Contract No. TS-687A.

Bidders must comply with all the above requirements in order to submit a proposal for this contract.

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This project requires a designated Traffic Control Coordinator (TCC). The Contractor is directed to review the training requirements for and duties and responsibilities of the TCC in the Special Provisions for Item 0901-0001 – Maintenance and Protection of Traffic During Construction.

The Commission reserves the right to waive any informalities in the bids received; to reject any or all bids; to retain the bids for a period up to ninety (90) days after receipt of the bids prior to making award; and to award the contract only to those experienced in this class of work, and to the lowest responsible bidder whose proposal is deemed by the Commission to be the most advantageous to the public interest.

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