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

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

January 31, 2017

Sealed bids for Contract No. TS-699A Capital Project 1516A, Lower Trenton Toll-Supported Bridge Approach Traffic Signal Equipment Upgrades 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), Tuesday, March 7, 2017 at which time and place all bids will be publicly opened and read.

The Delaware River Joint Toll Bridge Commission is making traffic signal equipment upgrades at three (3) existing intersections located along New Warren Street in the City of Trenton, Mercer County, New Jersey. New Warren Street serves as the New Jersey approach roadway to the Lower Trenton Toll Supported Bridge. To the east of the bridge structure, and along New Warren Street, there are three (3) signalized intersections within ½ mile of the bridge. These include the intersection of New Warren Street with the US Route 1 Northbound Ramp, William Trent Place, and Shepherd Street.

All work in this project, consisting of, but not limited to, the following items of work, shall be carried out per the Contract Plans and Specifications within the specified construction time limitations.

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.

Beginning **Tuesday**, **January 31**, **2017** the Contract Documents may be examined at the Commission Administration Building, 100 Wood and Grove Streets, Morrisville, PA, 19067, 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 be prequalified. The prime contractor and subcontractors must be prequalified by the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation in accordance with Section 102.01 or the New Jersey Department of Transportation in accordance with the latest edition of the New Jersey Department of Transportation Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction, Section 102.01. To be considered the prime contractor, he or she must perform the largest percentage of the work and must be prequalified in the items of work he or she will be performing.

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The Prime Contractor must be prequalified in an appropriate number of the following applicable PennDOT Work Classifications: C, K, O, P, P8, Q, R or an appropriate number of the following NJDOT Work Classifications: 1A, 1C, 4G, 7, 8C, 17, 18, 21, 24

Evidence of all specified prequalification certifications must accompany the bid.

There are no Specialty Items in this contract.

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.

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: Charles A. Stracciolini, Project Manager. Email inquiries are to be directed to the Project Manager (cstracciolini@drjtbc.org) with copy to the Chief Engineer (rlittle@drjtbc.org). Written questions received later than the close of business on **Thursday**, **February 23**, **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**, **February 28**, **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-699A.

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

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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