

**CONTRACT NO. T-766A, CAPITAL PROJECTS 1322A & 1602C**

**I-78 NEW JERSEY ROADWAY REHABILITATION AND POWER &  
COMMUNICATION INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS**

**NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS**

**December 19, 2023**

Bids for Contract No. T-766A, Capital Projects 1322A and 1602C, I-78 New Jersey Roadway Rehabilitation and Power & Communication Infrastructure Improvements will be received by the Delaware River Joint Toll Bridge Commission through the online Bid Express ([www.bidexpress.com](http://www.bidexpress.com)) until **2:00 PM (Local Time), Tuesday, January 30, 2024**. At that time, all bids submitted through Bid Express will be downloaded and publicly read online. **No paper bids will be accepted.**

The I-78 New Jersey Roadway Rehabilitation and Power & Communication Infrastructure Improvements project involves roadway and pavement improvements to the New Jersey approach roadway; New Jersey and Pennsylvania Bridge Deck Sealing and upgrading and expanding the Delaware River Joint Toll Bridge Commission's (Commission) Electronic Surveillance/Detection System (ESS) in both New Jersey and Pennsylvania. The I-78 corridor within the project limits is approximately six miles extending from the Morgan Hill Road Interchange, mile post 75.2, in the City of Easton, Northampton County, Pennsylvania heading east to the Still Valley Interchange, I-78 Exit 3, mile post 4.05 in Pohatcong Township, Warren County, New Jersey.

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 work for the I-78 New Jersey Roadway Rehabilitation and Power & Communication Infrastructure Improvements includes, but are not limited to:

- A. Install new Electronic Surveillance/Detection System (ESS)/Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) infrastructure including power. Work includes drilled shaft, new 55' high poles, installing new power and communication conduits and wiring and new cameras and switches.
- B. Upgrade existing power and/or new power supply including installing backup generators and transformers as required.
- C. Install guiderail, end protection and maintenance vehicle parking pavers at new ITS pole locations.
- D. Milling and paving of all lanes and shoulders of the New Jersey Approach Roadway per plans along with the milling and paving of three Still Valley Interchange ramps.

- E. Bridge deck sealing for selected bridges on Interstate 78 Toll Bridge facility including Main River Bridge, Morgan Hill Road over I-78, Ramp A over Service Road, Cedarville Road over I-78, Route 611 Overpass, Carpentersville Road over I-78, Route 519 Overpass, Edge Road over I-78, and Ramp C Overpass.
- F. Concrete deck repair on Interstate 78 toll bridge facility including Main River Bridge and Route 611 Overpass.
- G. Parapet concrete repair on Interstate 78 toll bridge facility including Main River Bridge.
- H. Restriping damaged striping caused by bridge deck sealing.
- I. Reset/reinstall signs that conflict with construction activities.
- J. Striping the entire Pennsylvania Approach Roadway.
- K. Striping new pavement along with the installation of raised pavement markers and the installation of shoulder rumble strips on both shoulders of the New Jersey Approach Roadway.

Each bid must be accompanied by a bid security made payable to the Delaware River Joint Toll Bridge Commission in the sum of ten percent (10%) of the Total Bid Amount. The “Total Bid Amount” will be calculated by the Bid Express System, based on the unit prices input by the contractor, and the bid award will be based upon 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 December 19, 2023**, the contract documents may be obtained online from Bid Express via a link on the Commission’s website ([www.drjtbc.org](http://www.drjtbc.org)) in the “Doing Business” section, under “Notice to Contractors”.

Bidders are required to be prequalified. The prime contractor and subcontractors must be prequalified by 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. In order 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.

The Prime Contractor must be prequalified in an appropriate number of the following applicable PennDOT Work Classifications: A, F1, J, J3, M2, M3, P1, P7, O, Q, R, S2, T3, U1 or an appropriate number of the following NJDOT Work Classifications: 1, 2, 2B, 4B, 4C, 4E, 4I, 4N, 6E, 6F, 7, 9J, 10, 13, 15, 16, 17, 18, 21, 23, 24, 25, 33, 35.

Evidence of all specified prequalification certifications must accompany the bid.

There are Specialty Items in this Contract as follows:

1. Fiber optic communication networking/Electronic Surveillance System (ESS)/Intelligent Transportation System (ITS). The specialty items include, but are not limited to, ITS Device Testing, Fiber Optic Cable, Fiber Optic Splice Enclosure, Communications System Modification (Maintenance Building and Location 611).

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 are encouraged to have an officer, or an authorized representative of their company attend a Pre-Bid Conference at the Delaware River Joint Toll Bridge Commission's I-78 Maintenance Building, 1400 Cedarville Road, Easton, PA 18042, at **10:00 AM, Thursday, January 4, 2024.**

All questions about the meaning or intent of the Contract Documents shall be directed, in writing, by way of email, to the Project Manager, Chris. L. Rood, P.E. ([crood@drjtbc.org](mailto:crood@drjtbc.org)) with copy to the Commission's Chief Engineer, Kevin M. Skeels, P.E., ([kskeels@drjtbc.org](mailto:kskeels@drjtbc.org)) and the Commission's Assistant Chief Engineer, Steven Burke, P.E. ([sburke@drjtbc.org](mailto:sburke@drjtbc.org)). Written questions received later than **2:00 PM (Local Time) on Tuesday, January 16, 2024**, will not be answered. Replies will be issued only by Addenda which will be posted on the Commission's website no later than **Monday, January 22, 2024**, 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 Commission's Project Manager, referencing Contract No. T-766A.

**This project requires a designated Traffic Control Coordinator(s) (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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