



## Invitation to Prequalify

University of Connecticut  
Project #901820  
Putnam Refectory Renovation Project

You are hereby invited to prequalify to bid the University of Connecticut – Putnam Refectory Renovation Project (University of Connecticut Project #901820) on the Storrs Campus. Whiting-Turner is the CM for the project which is expected to bid immediately following the prequalification period.

**Job Description:** Renovation of the Israel Putnam Refectory is a two story, 40,200SF kitchen and dining facility built in 1972. The renovation of the Putnam Refectory facility will expand the dining area, relocate the mail room, the building will be modernized with updated finishes, electrical, mechanical, and plumbing. Construction will be phased in the partially occupied building. The University of Connecticut will seek LEED Silver certification for this project. Renovations are anticipated to take place from May 2015 through August 2016. Total estimated value of the project is approximately \$14 million.

**Submit the pre-qualification package per instructions no later than May 29, 2015 @ 1:00 P.M.** Bid Packages requiring pre-qualification are as follows:

Description	DAS Prequalification Required **	Set Aside or 30/10	Estimated Value *
04A - Masonry	No	30/10	\$210,000
11A - Foodservice Equipment & Casework	No	Excluded	\$2,785,000
21A - Fire Protection	No	30/10	\$270,000

\* Value shown is an estimated value only and is not a guaranteed representation of the actual value of the scope.

\*\* Scopes identified as "DAS Prequalification Required" must have DAS Prequalification as these scopes are estimated to exceed \$500,000. DAS Prequalification is required for all bids which exceed \$500,000 irregardless of whether the scope is identified as such above.

### Prequalification Instructions:

1. Download the prequalification form from the following site:  
<https://whiting-turner.box.com/PutnamRefectory-prequal>
2. Fill out all statements and answers as true and correct as possible & attach all supporting documentation.
3. Save the prequalification and additional attachments as a PDF file and **email** to:  
[todd.werner@whiting-turner.com](mailto:todd.werner@whiting-turner.com) & [jackie.guesada@whiting-turner.com](mailto:jackie.guesada@whiting-turner.com)
4. Prequalification Statements will only be accepted in an electronic format. Please **do not** send a hard copy.
5. Subcontractor will be expected to be S/MBE or to provide a minimum of 30% SBE and 10% MBE participation as indicated above. S/MBE companies must have current certification by the CT DAS.
6. WT, at the advice of UConn, reserves the right to waive minor irregularities in prequalifications.

**Small and Minority Businesses (S/MBE) are encouraged to apply/bid.** For additional information on certifying as an S/MBE in Connecticut, please visit the following link: <http://das.ct.gov/cr1.aspx?page=34>

### S/MBE Contractors may find the following resources helpful:

**The Business Resource Center (BRC)** – <http://www.brcct.com> – provides access to professional consultation, resource materials, and, action-oriented training (OSHA, certified payrolls, schedules, billings, estimating, etc.), in the skills/techniques needed to grow business in the Greater Hartford area. The BRC also operates a Minority Business Enterprise Assistance Program with focus on the development of minority construction firms in CT, including assistance with the capacity to qualify for bonding (bid, performance and payment). For additional information please contact Kim Hawkins, Director, Business Resource Center at (860) 527-1100 or email her at [khawkins@brcct.com](mailto:khawkins@brcct.com)

**The Hartford Economic Development Corporation & The Greater Hartford Business Development Center, Inc. (HEDCo & GHBDC)** – <http://www.hedco-ghbdc.com> – HEDCo is a 501 (c 3) Community Development Financial Institution (CDFI) and a Small Business Administration Certified Micro Lender. The agency has been in operation since 1975 and serves the 169 cities and towns in Connecticut, especially small business within the City of Hartford, to help them develop business plans, acquire financing and achieve sustained successful growth.

**ACCION** – <http://accioneast.org> or (866) 245-0783 – Accion East and Online is a nonprofit organization provides small businesses with microloans and financial education since 1991.

**Greater New England Minority Supplier Development Council (GNEMSDC)** – Provides technical assistance and managerial support for minority contractors that are seeking support. For more information, please contact Andres Lopez Director of State Programs at (203) 288-9744, [alopez@gnemsd.org](mailto:alopez@gnemsd.org)

Whiting-Turner reserves the right to modify the Bid Package scheduled to be Set-Aside after the prequalification process is complete if it is in the best interest of the project.