

**INVITATION TO BID
FOR MAJOR & MINOR CAPITAL PROJECTS
WITH AN ESTIMATED CONSTRUCTION COST GREATER THAN \$500,000**

This Project:

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All Bidders shall read "Section 00 21 19 Notice To Bidders" for Contractors and Subcontractors performing work on Projects that Exceed the Threshold Limits of C.G.S §29-276b to Register and obtain a "Major Contractor" License with the CT Department of Consumer Protection prior to Bid Due Date/Time of this Project .

ADV. NO.: 12-13

ADV. DATE: March 9, 2012

SEALED BIDS FROM CONTRACTORS WHO HAVE BEEN PREQUALIFIED IN THE DAS CLASSIFICATION NOTED BELOW SHALL BE ADDRESSED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF CONSTRUCTION SERVICES - STATE OF CONNECTICUT FOR:

Project Title:	General Fund HVAC Improvements, Phase III Energy Center Upgrade Central Connecticut State University New Britain, CT
Project Number:	BI-RC-339E
DAS Classification:	Group C – General Building Construction
Special Requirement:	The contractor shall provide (a) Construction Safety Plan; (b) Radiographic Testing Program for All Welded Steel Pipe Joints; (c) Preparation of Rigging Plan. All bidders shall be required to have 10 years minimum of demonstrated experience in the purchase and installation of Chillers, Pumps and Controls of similar Quality to that specified in the Project Manual.
Cost Estimate Range:	\$759,155 – \$839,065.
Plans & Specs Ready For Sale Date:	March 14, 2012
A NON-REFUNDABLE FEE OF PER SET IS REQUIRED	\$40.00 Checks should be made payable to "Treasurer, State Of Connecticut" and should <i>include</i> the prospective bidder's correct mailing address, email address, telephone and fax numbers. USE A SEPARATE CHECK FOR EACH PROJECT.
Examination or Purchase of Plans & Specs	Located at the State Of Connecticut, Department Of Administrative Services, Plans And Specifications Section, Room No. G-36, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, CT 06106 , during the hours of 7:30 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. (Monday-Friday) or by addressing a request to the above address with your FedEx number.
Pre-Bid Conference:	All prospective bidders are encouraged to attend a pre-bid conference
Pre-Bid Conference Time	to be held AT 10:00 A.M.
Pre-Bid Conference Date	ON March March 21, 2012
Pre-Bid Conference Location	AT Central Connecticut State University, 1615 Stanley Street, Conference Room #2, East Hall
Pre-Bid Conference Contact:	Bob Lebaron, Dir. Of Eng. @ 860-637-4397
BID OPENING DATE:	April 4, 2012
Receipt of Bid Package	Bids will be received at the State Office Building, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, CT, 06106 in Room No. G-36 UNTIL 1:00 P.M. on the date shown above and thereafter publicly opened and read aloud in Room No. G-32.

Bid Results:	Bid results are posted on the CT DCS Website and State Contracting Portal in approximately two (2) days after the bid opening date.
Set-Aside Participation	25%
Including MBE	6.25%
Gift And Campaign Contribution Certification	In accordance with Executive Order 7C, and pursuant to Public Act 11-229, any principal or key personnel of the person, firm or corporation submitting a bid or proposal for a contract that has a value of \$50,000 or more, shall be required to electronically upload a Gift And Campaign Contribution Certification . Instructions on how to electronically submit an "Affirmation of Receipt of State Ethics Laws Summary" are available from the website of the Connecticut Department of Administrative Services (CT DAS), "A Guide to Uploading Affidavits and Nondiscrimination Forms Online". Failure to provide this affidavit with the bid proposal shall result in rejection of the bid. For the purposes of signing the Certification, the "date CT DCS began planning" the subject project or services is such date noted below.
Date CT DCS Began Planning the Subject Project:	8/4/2008
Summary and Affidavit Regarding State Ethics	Any one seeking a contract with a value of more than \$500,000 shall electronically download the "Guide to the Code of Ethics For Current or Potential State Contractors" from the website of Office of State Ethics (OSE). All potential consultant and contractor firms seeking a contract with a value of more than \$500,000 must electronically upload an "Affirmation of Receipt of State Ethics Laws Summary" affirming that their key employees have read and understand the summary and agree to comply with the provisions of state ethics law. Instructions on how to electronically submit an "Affirmation of Receipt of State Ethics Laws Summary" are available from the website of the Connecticut Department of Administrative Services (CT DAS), "A Guide to Uploading Affidavits and Nondiscrimination Forms Online". Failure to provide this affidavit with the bid proposal shall result in rejection of the bid.
Bid Security	As security , <i>each bid</i> must be accompanied by a CERTIFIED CHECK made payable to "Treasurer, State of Connecticut," or the bid must be accompanied by a BID BOND, in the form required by the awarding authority and having surety thereto such Surety Company or Companies as are authorized to do business in this State and/or accepted by the Commissioner of the Department of Construction Services for an amount not less than 10% of the bid.
Bidders are advised that <i>both</i> the DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES PREQUALIFICATION CERTIFICATE and UPDATE STATEMENT <i>must</i> accompany the bid proposal for projects <i>estimated to exceed</i> Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00) (C.G.S. 4b-91 as amended). <i>Failure to supply them with the bid will result in rejection of the bid.</i>	
Department of Administrative Services (DAS) Contractor Prequalification Program: http://das.ct.gov	
To access Executive Orders: http://www.ct.gov/governorrell/cwp/browse.asp?a=1719&bc=0&c=18433	
To access the Department of Construction Services Web Site: http://www.ct.gov/dcs	

Performance and Labor and Material Bonds to be furnished by the bidder awarded the contract shall be an amount not less than **100%** of the contract price.

The Commissioner reserves the right to do any of the following without liability, including but not limited to: (a) waive technical defects in the bid proposal as he or she deems best for the interest of the State; (b) negotiate with a contractor in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes Section 4b-91;(c) reject any or all bids; (d) cancel the award or execution of any contract prior to the issuance of the "Notice To Proceed;" and, (e) advertise for new bids.

Nonresident contractors: At the time of contract signing a certificate from the Commissioner of Revenue Services must be provided which evidences that C.G.S. 12-430 for non-resident contractors has been met. For details call the Department of Revenue Services at (860) 541-3280, ext. 7.

EXECUTIVE ORDERS:

The Contract is subject to the provisions of Executive Order No. Three of Governor Thomas J. Meskill, promulgated June 16, 1971, concerning labor employment practices, Executive Order No. Seventeen of Governor Thomas J. Meskill, promulgated February 15, 1973, concerning the listing of employment openings

and Executive Order No. Sixteen of Governor John G. Rowland promulgated August 4, 1999, concerning violence in the workplace, all of which are incorporated into and are made a part of the Contract as if they had been fully set forth in it. At the Contractor's request, the Client Agency shall provide a copy of these orders to the Contractor. The Contract may also be subject to Executive Order No. 7C of Governor M. Jodi Rell, promulgated July 13, 2006, concerning contracting reforms and Executive Order No. 14 of Governor M. Jodi Rell, promulgated April 17, 2006, concerning procurement of cleaning products and services, in accordance with their respective terms and conditions.

This contract is subject to the provisions of the Department of Construction Services **Sexual Harassment Policy** ("Policy") and, as such, the contract may be canceled, terminated, or suspended by CT DCS for violation of or noncompliance with said Policy. Said document is hereby incorporated herein by reference and made a part hereof as though fully set forth herein. This policy may be found at the Department of Construction Services Website at <http://www.ct.gov/dcs>, under **Publications**.

All **technical** questions must be in writing (not phoned or emailed) and faxed to the **Architect/Engineer** with a **copy** to the **CT DCS Project Manager** listed below.

Architect/Engineer/Consultant:	<u>Lawrence Mechanical, P.C.</u>	Fax No:	<u>203-966-0549</u>
Construction Administrator:	<u>Lawrence Mechanical, P.C.</u>	Fax No:	<u>203-966-0549</u>
CT DCS Project Manager:	<u>Lee Rowley, P.E.</u>	Fax No:	<u>860-713-7270</u>

All Bid questions should be addressed to the Officer listed below.

CT DAS Associate Fiscal Administrative Officer:	<u>Mellanee Walton</u>	Fax No:	<u>(860) 713-7395</u>
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Contract Time Allowed:	<u>365</u>	<u>Calendar Days</u>
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Liquidated Damages:	\$ <u>1,668.00</u>	<u>Per Calendar Day beyond Substantial Completion.</u>
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	\$ <u>2,576.00</u>	<u>Per Calendar Day beyond ninety (90) days after Substantial Completion</u>
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Prevailing Wage Rates: Prevailing wages are required on this project, in accordance with the schedule provided in the bid documents, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 31-53 (a) through (h), as amended.

Each contractor who is awarded a contract on or after October 1, 2002 shall be subject to provisions of the Connecticut General Statutes, Section 31-55a concerning annual adjustments to prevailing wages.

Wage Rates will be posted each July 1st on the Department of Labor website: www.ctdol.state.ct.us. Such prevailing wage adjustment shall not be considered a matter for any contract amendment.

The wages paid on an hourly basis to any mechanic, laborer or workman employed upon the work herein contracted to be done and the amount of payment or contribution paid or payable on behalf of each such employee to any employee welfare fund, as defined in subsection (h) of section 31-53 of the Connecticut General Statutes, shall be at a rate equal to the rate customary or prevailing for the same work in the same trade or occupation in the town in which such public works project is being constructed. Any contractor who is not obligated by agreement to make payment or contribution on behalf of such employees to any such employee welfare fund shall pay to each employee as part of his wages the amount of payment or contribution for his classification on each pay day.

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CT DCS - Division of Design & Construction**