

Invitation for Construction Bid: Upgrade Three Halon Fire Protection Systems
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Project Description

Remove existing Halon gas fire protection system in rooms 252, 257, 273, 369, 370. Install new clean agent fire suppression system and all appurtenances as shown on the drawings and as described in the technical specifications. Install smoke detectors as shown on the drawings. Install new fire alarm devices and panels as shown on the drawings and as described in the technical specifications. Interconnect the new fire suppression system with the existing fire alarm system and the existing air handlers as described in the drawings and the technical specifications. Seal the enclosing walls of the server rooms to contain the clean agent gas in the extent of a release as shown in the contract documents.

Division 01-General Work

Sealed bids will be accepted at the address below until 2:00 PM 07/25/13.

The Board of Trustees of the University of Illinois c/o
Office for Capital Programs- UIC
1140 South Paulina, M/C 892 Room 204
Chicago, IL 60612-7215
Attention: John O. Lewis, jolewis@uillinois.edu, (312) 996-6804

Bid Document Sources

Bid documents have been prepared by Aon Fire Protection Engineering Corporation, 4 Overlook Point Lincolnshire, IL , 60025, 847-442-6711, hereinafter referred to as the Professional Services Consultant. Up to one (1) set allowed of Bid documents per prequalified bidder of the divisions of work being bid may be obtained from Cushing & Co., 420 W. Huron Street, Chicago, IL 60610, (312) 266-8228. No deposit required. Call in advance to order bid set. Additional sets, and the cost for them, will be the responsibility of the party requesting them.

Bid Document Review Sets

The project manual and all addenda are available after a one-time electronic registration for electronic viewing at no cost at <http://dfs.cushingco.com/uic.htm>

For the convenience of bidders, complete sets of documents will be on file at 1. Reed Construction Data; 333 E. Butterfield Road, Suite 600, Lombard, Illinois 60418, (630) 288-7983, fax (800) 508-5370.02. Hispanic American Construction Industry Association (HACIA); 901 West Jackson Blvd., Suite 205; Chicago, Illinois 60607, (312) 666-5910, fax (312) 666-5692.03. Federation of Women Contractors; 5650 South Archer, Chicago, Illinois 60638, (312) 360-1122, fax (312) 360-0239.04. Black Contractors United; 12000 South Marshfield, Calumet Park, Illinois 60478, (773) 483-4000, fax (773) 483-4150.05. Illinois Hispanic Chamber of Commerce; 855 West Adams Street, Suite 100, Chicago, Illinois 60608, (312) 425-9500, fax (312) 425-9510.06. West Side 2000; 1211 West Western Avenue, Suite 206, Chicago, Illinois 60608, (312) 666-0445, fax (312) 563-0567.07. Eighteenth Street Development Corporation; 1843 South Carpenter, Chicago, Illinois 60608; (312) 733-2287, fax (312) 733-8242.08. Latin American Chamber of Commerce; 3512 West Fullerton Street, Chicago, Illinois 60647, (773) 252-5211, fax (773) 252-7065.09. Rainbow-Push Action Network; 930 East 50th Street; Chicago, Illinois 60615, (773) 373-3366, fax (773) 373-4104, ATTN: Marshette Turner.010. Bidtool, One Oakbrook Terrace, Suite 510, Oak Brook Terrace, Illinois 60181, (888)506-7613, ext. 8011, fax (630) 214-3924.011. McGraw-Hill

Construction/Dodge, 1333 Burr Ridge Parkway, Suite 100, Burr Ridge, Illinois 60527, (630) 321-3711, fax (630) 321-3715.012. iSqFt Planroom, c/o Cushing Co, 420 West Huron Street, Chicago, IL 6065.4, (800) 364-2059, fax (866) 570-8187.

Prequalification

Each bidder shall prequalify with the Owner in accordance with the General Instructions to Bidders (Document 00 20 00).

All bidders shall be prequalified with the Owner. New bidders that are not prequalified shall prequalify using the Owner's web-based Contractor Annual Prequalification System (CAPS) - <http://przm.apps.uillinois.edu/>

The project will be administered using the owner's web-based project management system.

Minimum PRZM user requirements are as follows:

- * Internet Browser: Microsoft Internet Explorer version 4.0 or higher is recommended.
- * E-mail: PRZM requires the user to have a valid e-mail account.
- * Computer-Aided Drawing (CAD) viewer

Pre-Bid Meeting

A MANDATORY pre-bid meeting will be held in Roosevelt Road Building, located at 728 W. Roosevelt Rd; 2nd FL Chicago on 07/09/13 at 10:00 AM prevailing time. Representatives of the Owner and the Professional Services Consultant will be present to answer questions regarding the project and bidding procedures. All prospective bidders are REQUIRED to attend.

Bid Opening

Immediately after the closing time for receiving bids, all proposals will be publicly opened, read, and tabulated at Conference Room 244 of the Paulina Street Building located at 1140 South Paulina Street, Chicago. Bids received after closing time will be returned unopened. The public opening and reading is for information only and is not construed as acceptance or rejection of any bid.

Documents required with bid:

1. Section 00 40 00 – Bid form, completed and signed.
2. Attachment A of the Bid Form.
3. Attachment B – Minority and Female Business Enterprise (MAFBE) Program Requirements of the Bid Form
4. MBE/FBE information for Contractor and Subcontractor(s). Only MBE/FBE firms certified with the Illinois Department of Central Management Services (CMS) are acceptable.

Effective July 1, 2012, one of the following must be provided with the bid for each identified MBE/FBE vendor:

- * (PREFERRED) A print version of the vendor's Illinois Department of Central Management Services (CMS) Business Enterprise Program (BEP) Vendor Directory results. This profile includes the vendor name, address, ethnicity, county, contact info, in addition to certification, renewal and expiration dates;
- * A copy of the vendor's current and valid IL CMS MBE/FBE Certification Letter; or
- * A copy of the vendor's current and valid IL CMS MBE/FBE Recognition Certification Approval letter.

The IL CMS BEP Vendor Directory can be found at

<https://www2.illinois.gov/cms/business/sei2/PagesNendorSearch.aspx> and a tutorial for using the directory is available at

http://www.uocpres.uillinois.edu/UserFiles/Servers/Server_992653/file/documents/CMStutorial.pdf.

5. Bid Deposit.

6. A completed copy of the following forms found at <http://www.uocpres.uillinois.edu/contractors/contracts>:
 - *Certifications and Statutory Requirements form.
 - * Financial Disclosures and Conflicts of Interest form.

Bid Acceptance or Rejection

The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids or any part thereof, to waive any informalities in the bidding, and to accept the bids deemed to be in the best interests of the owner after all bids have been examined and evaluated.

Minority and Female Business Enterprise (MAFBE) Goals

The University of Illinois has established MAFBE goals for participation by minority and female owned businesses as prime contractors, subcontractors, or suppliers in accordance with the Business Enterprise for Minorities, Females, and Persons with Disability Act. Please refer to Bid Form Document 00 40 00 for additional information and instruction. Illinois Department of Central Management Services Business Enterprise Program certification is the basis for determination of MAFBE status. Only those vendors who are certified by the Illinois Department of Central Management Services as of the date of the bid opening will be considered in determining whether the vendor meets the participation goal. MAFBE goals are for each division of work and may vary by project. Specific MAFBE goals for each project are identified within the Bid Documents. The MAFBE baseline goals established for each campus follow:

Division of Work	Combined Goal(s)	Split Goal(s)	
	MBEIFBE	MBE	FBE
01 -General Work	22	N/A	N/A

The Bidder shall submit within seven (7) calendar days after the bid opening, documentation of its good faith efforts to achieve the MBE/FBE goals if the goals are not met (see General Instructions to Bidders, Document 00 20 00).

Statutory Requirements

The successful bidder will be required to comply with all laws, statutes, regulations, ordinances, rulings or enactments of any governmental authority that are applicable to the work or to the project. The successful bidder shall pay prevailing wages and shall utilize equal employment opportunity hiring practices in connection with this project. Some recent legislation that should be carefully reviewed includes, but is not limited to:

- * Vendors must register with the State of Illinois's Board of Elections as required by 30 ILCS 500/20-160. Vendors must be registered at the time of Bid.
- * As of August 15, 2011, all contractors will be required to comply with Public Act 097-0369 which requires bidders to maintain an Illinois office as the primary place of employment for persons employed in the construction authorized by the contract. This requirement has been added to the Certifications and Statutory Requirements form (http://www.uocpres.uillinois.edu/UserFiles/Servers/Server_992653/file/UI/ProjDocs/forms/certsstat.pdf) which is submitted by the contractor at time of bid.

PROTEST REVIEW OFFICE: Vendors may submit a written protest to the Protest Review Office following the requirements of the Higher Education Standard Procurement Rules 44 ILL. ADMIN. CODE 4.5550. For protests related to specifications, the Protest Review Office must physically receive the protest no later than 14 days after the solicitation or related addendum was posted to the Bulletin. For protests related to rejection of individual proposals or awards, the protest must be received by close of business no later than 14 days after the protesting party knows or should have known of the facts giving rise to the protest. The Protest Review Office's information is as follows:

Chief Procurement Office
Attn: Protest Review Office
Suite 513 Stratton Office Building
401 South Spring Street
Springfield, IL 62706
Phone: (217) 558-3724
Facsimile: (217) 558-2164
Illinois Relay: (800) 526-0844

If the protest is submitted via email, it must be sent to both of the following email addresses:
Adam.Aistott@illinois.gov
EEC.CPOHE@illinois.gov