## MASSACHUSETTS BAY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY 10 PARK PLAZA BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02116

## NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Electronic proposals for the following project will be received through the internet using Bid Express until the date and time stated below and will be posted on <u>www.bidx.com</u> forthwith after the bid submission deadline. No paper copies of bids will be accepted. Bidders must have a valid digital ID issued by the Authority in order to bid on projects. Bidders need to apply for a digital ID with Bid Express at least 14 days prior to a scheduled bid opening date.

Electronic bids for MBTA Contract No. K78CN04, South Coast Rail, Middleborough Secondary & New Bedford Main Line (MS/NBML) Commuter Rail Expansion Project, Middleborough to New Bedford, Massachusetts, (CLASS 1 – GENERAL TRANSIT CONSTRUCTION \$100,000,000, CLASS 3 – TRACK WORK, \$50,000,000, CLASS 7 – BUILDINGS, \$20,000,000, PROJECT VALUE \$398,000,000), can be submitted at www.bidx.com until two o'clock (2:00 p.m.) on Thursday June 25, 2020. Immediately thereafter, in a designated room, the Bids will be opened and read publicly.

The Work involves four major elements: (1) the construction of approximately twenty-five (25) miles of new trackway along the existing Middleborough Secondary and New Bedford Main Line right of way from Middleborough to New Bedford, (2) the construction of four commuter rail passenger stations, (3) the construction of an end of the line layover facility, and (4) the construction of South Coast Rail program-wide signals and communications systems.

Each prospective bidder proposing to bid on this project must be prequalified in accordance with the Authority's "Procedures Governing Classification and Rating of Prospective Bidders." Copies may be obtained at www.mbta.com. Applications for prequalification for this Project will be accepted by the Authority up to the bid opening date. Contractors should allow for ample time for the Authority to evaluate and respond to the Prequalification Application prior to the bid opening date. Only contractors prequalified by the bid date will be considered eligible.

Please refer to Section, 00200 - Instruction to Bidders, Section, 1.12, Competency of Bidders, for additional prequalification requirements.

Potential bidders must <u>download</u> and submit a completed "Request for Proposal Form" for approval to: <u>plans&specifications@mbta.com</u>

Bidding documents may be downloaded from the MBTA FTP site or delivered on CD via Fed Ex. Documents will be available starting at 9:00 AM on <u>May 18, 2020</u>. Contract Specifications and Drawings shall be available in portable data file (.pdf) format. Interested parties may request FTP site credentials or Fed Ex delivery of the project documents on CD by completing the request form on the project page at:

http://bc.mbta.com/business\_center/bidding\_solicitations/current\_solicitations/

Bidders attention is directed to Appendix 1, Notice of Requirement for Affirmative Action to Insure Equal Employment Opportunity; and to Appendix 2, Supplemental Equal Employment Opportunity, Anti-Discrimination, and Affirmative Action Program in Section 00800 of the specifications. While there is no DBE goal associated with this contract, the Authority strongly encourages the use of Minority, Women, and Disadvantaged Business Enterprises as prime contractors, subcontractors, and suppliers in all its contracting opportunities.

Bidders will affirmatively ensure that in regard to any contract entered into pursuant to this solicitation, minority and female construction contractors will be afforded full opportunity to submit Bids and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, religion, sex, age, or national origin in consideration for an award.

Bidders will be required to comply with Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Regulations and the President's Executive Order No. 11246 and any amendments or supplements thereto. Bidders will also be required to comply with the Governor's Executive Order No. 481, prohibiting the use of undocumented workers on State Contracts and any amendments and supplements thereto.

Authorization for the Bidders to view the site of the work on MassDOT Rail and Transit's and the MBTA's property shall be obtained from Director of Construction - South Coast Rail, *Kimberly Dobosz;* <u>*kdobosz@mbta.com*</u>, 617.222.4332. The Authority will conduct an inspection tour of the station sites and the layover site on May 29, 2020. Details regarding the site tour will be provided upon request of plans and specifications.

A pre-bid conference will be held on May 28, 2020, at 9:00 a.m. as a virtual on-line meeting. Details regarding the pre-bid conference will be provided upon request of plans and specifications. Attendance at both the pre-bid conference and the on-site inspection is highly recommended for all prospective bidders. All questions during the bid phase should be directed in writing or by e-mail to the Director of Construction - South Coast Rail, Kimberly Dobosz, at 10 Park Plaza, Suite 4510, Boston, MA 02116, Telephone Number 617.222.4332, e-mail Address kdobosz@mbta.com. Questions are to be submitted no later ten (10) days prior to the date set for the opening of bids.

Bidders will be required to certify as part of their bids that they are able to furnish labor that can work in harmony with all other elements of labor employed or to be employed on the work.

This Contract is subject to minimum State wage rates as well as all other applicable labor laws.

Bid Guaranty shall consist of a bid deposit in the amount of five (5) percent of the value of the bid, in the form of a bid bond, cash, certified check, treasurer's or cashier's check.

The successful Bidder shall be required to furnish a Performance Bond and a Labor and Materials Payment Bond each for the full amount of the Contract price.

The Authority reserves the right to reject any or all Bids, to waive informalities, to advertise for new Bids or proceed to do the work otherwise, as may be deemed to be in the best interests of the Authority. This information may be viewed at the MBTA website:

http://bc.mbta.com/business\_center/bidding\_solicitations/current\_solicitations/

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Date: May 14, 2020 By:

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