

**MASSACHUSETTS BAY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY**  
**10 PARK PLAZA**  
**BOSTON, MA 02116**  
**NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

Electronic proposals for the following project will be received through the internet using Project Bids until the date and time stated below and will be posted on [www.bidx.com](http://www.bidx.com) 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 Project Bids at least 14 days prior to a scheduled bid opening date.

Electronic bids for MBTA Contract No. R53CN03- **NORTH CAMBRIDGE BUS FACILITY – MODIFICATIONS FOR BATTERY-ELECTRIC BUSES, NORTH CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS, Project Value – \$27,833,560 (Class 7 - Buildings – \$25,0000,00)** can be submitted at [www.bidx.com](http://www.bidx.com) until two o'clock (2:00 p.m.) on **September 21, 2023**. Immediately thereafter, in a designated room, the Bids will be opened and read publicly.

Work includes installation of battery electrical bus charging system and supporting infrastructure including structures, power and communications. Work also includes life safety systems and accessibility upgrades to the facility. In addition, work includes site preparation and existing utility relocations to accommodate proposed work.

This Contract is subject to a financial assistance Contract between the MBTA and the Federal Transit Administration of U.S. Department of Transportation. FTA Participation is 80%.

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

*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.mbtacom](http://www.mbtacom). 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 opening date will be considered eligible.*

*Prequalified bidders must [download](#) and submit a completed "Request to Bid Form" for approval to: [plans&specifications@mbta.com](mailto:plans&specifications@mbta.com).*

Bidding documents may be downloaded from the MBTA FTP site. Documents will be available starting at 9:00 AM on **August 9, 2023**. Contract Specifications and Drawings shall be available in portable data file (.pdf) format. Interested parties may request FTP site credentials by completing the request form on the project page at: [https://bc.mbtacom/business\\_center/bidding\\_solicitations/current\\_solicitations/#design-build](https://bc.mbtacom/business_center/bidding_solicitations/current_solicitations/#design-build)

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 the specifications. In addition, pursuant to the requirements of Appendix 3, Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Participation Provision, Bidders must submit an assurance with their Bids that they will make sufficient and reasonable efforts to meet the stated **DBE goal of 20\_percent**.

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 the MBTA's property shall be obtained from the Project Manager, **Greg McNally**. *gmcNally@mbta.com, 857-406-0085*. The Authority will conduct an inspection tour of the site on **August 24, 2023**. Bidders are requested to be present in front of the **2375 Massachusetts Avenue, Cambridge Massachusetts, at 1:00 p.m.** to participate in the tour. Bidders are advised that they should have representation at this tour as no extra visits are planned.

**Virtual Prebid- A prebid conference will be held on August 24, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. as a virtual on-line meeting. Details regarding the pre-bid conference will be provided upon request of the 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 to the MBTA Project Manager in writing or emailed to the contact information above. Questions are to be submitted no later than ten (10) days prior to the date set forth for the opening of the bids.**

In addition to the typical pre-bid conference agenda, the following requirements will be discussed:

1. Specified requirement for project specific shop drawings for Battery Electric Bus Charger Cabinets. Manufacturer's standard drawings will be reviewed, but will not be accepted as a substitute for project specific shop drawings.
2. Specified requirement for non-standard OEM control requirements for pantograph retraction and deployment.
3. Specified requirement for OEM to provide written concurrence with overhead pantograph mounting supports and locations.

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 Federal wage and hourly laws and minimum State wage rates as well as all other applicable labor laws.

Bidders are advised that the "Buy America" provisions of the Surface Transportation Assistance Act of 1982 (Pub. L-97-424) as amended, apply to any Contract, procurement or agreement which results from this solicitation.

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:

[https://bc.mbta.com/business\\_center/bidding\\_solicitations/current\\_solicitations/](https://bc.mbta.com/business_center/bidding_solicitations/current_solicitations/)

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Date: **August 9, 2023**

By: Gina Fiandaca  
Secretary and Chief  
Executive Officer of  
MassDOT

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General Manager & CEO