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. Z99CN01, Replacement of Fire Alarm System & Suppression at Albany & Andrew Station, Boston, (CLASS 1 – GENERAL TRANSIT, CLASS 7 BUILDING \$3,000,000) PROJECT VALUE - \$8,891,602 can be submitted at until two o'clock (2:00 p.m.) on March 21, 2024. Immediately thereafter, in a designated room, the Bids will be opened and read publicly.

The work consists of the replacement of the existing Sprinkler and Fire Alarm System with a new Sprinkler System and new Fire Alarm System. All work will be performed in accordance with NFPA 13 and 780 CMR Chapter 9: Fire Protection 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 up until the bid 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.

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

Bidding documents may be downloaded from the MBTA FTP site. Documents will be available starting at 9:00 AM on <u>February 21, 2024</u>,. 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.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 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 of 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 the MBTA's property shall be obtained from the Project Manager, Oscar Salcedo, 10 Park Plaza, Suite 5170, Boston, MA 02116; Phone: 857-260-2294, osalcedo@mbta.com The Authority will conduct an inspection tour of the site on **March 7, 2024**. Bidders are requested to be present in front of the Albany Bus Garage 421 Albany St, Boston, MA 02118 at 10:00 a.m. to

participate in the tour. After Albany Bus Garage tour, the second location will be Andrew Square Station, Dorchester Ave & South Hampton St, South Boston, MA 02127. Bidders are advised that they should have representation at this tour as no extra visits are planned.

A prebid conference will be held on **March 7, 2024** at 2:00 p.m. as a virtual on-line meeting with Oscar Salcedo, Project Manager, Telephone No. (857-260-2294). 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.

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:

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Date: February 21, 2024

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