

Secretary

October 19, 2015

CONTRACT:11546742WBS ELEMENT:2B.102514.2COUNTY:CravenROUTE:US 70 BusinessDESCRIPTION:Labor for Drawbridge Operation over Trent River

NOTICE TO PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS

SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE CONTRACTING OPPORTUNITY

The North Carolina Department of Transportation is requesting bids for the above referenced project. The contractor must furnish all labor, materials, equipment, traffic control, and any other items necessary for the completion of this contract.

The Department of Transportation does not exclude any person from participation in, deny any person the benefits of, or otherwise discriminate against anyone in connection with the award and performance of any contract covered by this program on the basis of race, color, sex, political affiliation/ influence, or national origin.

SBE PROGRAM INFORMATION

This is a SBE contract and to qualify for the NCDOT SBE Program a firm must have an annual gross income of \$1,500,000 or less, exclusive of materials. Only contractors currently certified as a SBE Contractor by the Contractual Services Unit of NCDOT and is listed in the Directory of Transportation Firms at bid opening will be eligible to bid on this project.

Prospective bidders who qualify for the SBE Program and are not currently certified should submit a completed application packet prior to bid submittal to allow for review time. The application packet and additional information on the program may be obtained online at:

http://www.ncdot.org/business/ocs/sbe/

Per G.S. 136-28.10, a NC General Contractor's license and contract payment and performance bonds may be waived for SBE contracts. For this project, the NC General Contractor's license and contract payment and performance bonds will be waived.

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BID OPENING

Sealed bids must be received at the Division Office at 105 Pactolus Hwy. in Greenville, by **Monday, November 9, 2015 at 2:00 PM**. Bids must be submitted on the official bid form included in the contract proposal and shall display the following statement on the front of the bid envelope:

ATTN: SARAH LENTINE QUOTATION FOR: 1154672 (BRIDGE TENDER – TRENT RIVER) TO BE OPENED AT 2:00 PM, MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2015

The North Carolina Department of Transportation, in accordance with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (78 Stat. 252) and the regulations of the Department of Transportation (49 CFR, Part 21), issued pursuant to such act, hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively insure that the contract entered into pursuant to this notice will be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder without discrimination on the grounds of sex, race, color, or national origin.

CONTRACT AVAILABILITY

The availability date for this project is **December 1, 2015**. The completion date is **November 30, 2016**.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Contract proposal packages are available at the Division 2 website: <u>https://connect.ncdot.gov/letting/Pages/Letting-List.aspx?let_type=2</u>. In order for us to maintain an accurate list of bidders, please contact me at (252) 439-2807 if you intend to bid on this project, or if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Sarah Lentine Division Contract Officer

cc: Ms. Mary Beth Houston, PE

