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Secretary

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Notice to Prospective Bidders Small Business Enterprise Contracting Opportunities Division 5

The North Carolina Department of Transportation is requesting bids for the following projects in Division 5:

• D5POC026 - Annual Needs for Tree Cutting, Stump Grinding, and Tree Limbing in East Durham and Wake Counties

WBS Element: Various

Date of Availability: August 1, 2016; Completion Date: July 31, 2017, may be renewable for 2 additional one year terms

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 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 may be waived for SBE contracts. For these projects, the NC General Contractor's license *will* be waived.

Per G.S. 136-28.10, contract payment and performance bonds may be waived. For these projects, the contract payment and performance bonds *will* be waived.

BID OPENING

Sealed bids must be received at 2612 N. Duke St. Durham, NC, on **Wednesday, February 24, 2016** by **2:00 p.m.** Bids must be submitted on the official bid form included in the contract proposal.



OTHER INFORMATION

Bid packages are available at https://connect.ncdot.gov/letting/Pages/Letting-List.aspx?let_type=5&let_status=Advertised. The proposal shall be printed, stapled and returned in its entirety at the bid opening. Paper packages are available, if needed, in the Division Engineer's Office located at 2612 North Duke Street in Durham, North Carolina. Interested bidders should pick up bid packages at this location or they will be mailed upon request by contacting me or my staff at (919) 220-4600.

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