

**State of Florida  
Department of Transportation**



INVITATION TO BID

**FDOT FTE TOWER MODIFICATIONS & REFURBISHMENTS**

**ITB-DOT-16/17-9076-GH**

**CONTACT FOR QUESTIONS:**

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**Services to be provided as specified in attached Exhibit "A", Technical Specifications.**

**Grand Total:** \_\_\_\_\_ (Sum of Milestones 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 below)

**Milestone 1: Orlando South:** Completion and approval of safety climb, antennas, transmission lines, tower obstruction lighting, and camera and lowering systems product sheets and design plans by the FDOT Project Manager. Completion of foundation modifications and major equipment installations (safety climb, radio antennas, waveguides, coaxial cable, air pressurization, obstruction lighting system, camera and lowering device) interim inspection of the equipment installations, successful cut-over of all radio systems, and successful testing witnessed by the FDOT Project Manager. Completion of all interim inspection punch-list items, restore site compound facilities, successful final acceptance, and approved submittal of all closeout documentation.

**Milestone 1 Price:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Milestone 2: Kenansville:** Completion and approval of safety climb, antennas, transmission lines, tower obstruction lighting, and camera and lowering systems product sheets and design plans by the FDOT Project Manager. Completion of foundation modifications and major equipment installations (safety climb, radio antennas, waveguides, coaxial cable, air pressurization, obstruction lighting system, camera and lowering device) interim inspection of the equipment installations, successful cut-over of all radio systems, and successful testing witnessed by the FDOT Project Manager. Completion of all interim inspection punch-list items, restore site compound facilities, successful final acceptance, and approved submittal of all closeout documentation.

**Milestone 2 Price:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Milestone 3: Delray Beach:** Completion and approval of safety climb, antennas, transmission lines, tower obstruction lighting, and camera and lowering systems product sheets and design plans by the FDOT Project Manager. Completion of tower modifications, foundation modifications, and major equipment installations (safety climb, radio antennas, waveguides, coaxial cable, air pressurization, obstruction lighting system, camera and lowering device) interim inspection of the equipment installations, successful cut-over of all radio systems, and successful testing witnessed by the FDOT Project Manager. Completion of all interim inspection punch-list items, restore site compound facilities, successful final acceptance, and approved submittal of all closeout documentation.

**Milestone 3 Price:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Milestone 4: McArthur Interchange:** Completion and approval of safety climb, antennas, transmission lines, tower obstruction lighting, and camera and lowering systems product sheets and design plans by the FDOT Project Manager. Completion of tower modifications, foundation modifications, and major equipment installations (safety climb, radio antennas, waveguides, coaxial cable, air pressurization, obstruction lighting system, camera and lowering device) interim inspection of the equipment installations, successful cut-over of all radio systems, and successful testing witnessed by the FDOT Project Manager. Completion of all interim inspection punch-list items, restore site compound facilities, successful final acceptance, and approved submittal of all closeout documentation.

**Milestone 4 Price:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Milestone 5: Okeechobee:** Completion and approval of safety climb, antennas, transmission lines, tower obstruction lighting, and camera and lowering systems product sheets and design plans by the FDOT Project Manager. Completion of foundation modifications and major equipment installations (safety climb, radio antennas, waveguides, coaxial cable, air pressurization, obstruction lighting system, camera and lowering device) interim inspection of the equipment installations, successful cut-over of all radio systems, and successful testing witnessed by the FDOT Project Manager. Completion of all interim inspection punch-list items, restore site compound facilities, successful final acceptance, and approved submittal of all closeout documentation.

**Milestone 5 Price:** \_\_\_\_\_

**MFMP Transaction Fee:**

All payment(s) to the vendor resulting from this competitive solicitation **WILL** be subject to the MFMP Transaction Fee in accordance with the referenced Form PUR 1000 General Contract Condition #14. However, all vendors should be aware, that effective July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017, in accordance with House Bill 5003 Sec.73, the Transaction Fee will be seven-tenths of one percent (.70%) of the payment issued. The Transaction Fees imposed shall be based upon the date of issuance of the payment.

**NOTE:** In submitting a response, the bidder acknowledges they have read and agree to the solicitation terms and conditions and their submission is made in conformance with those terms and conditions.

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:** I certify that I have read and agree to abide by all terms and conditions of this solicitation and that I am authorized to sign for the bidder. I certify that the response submitted is made in conformance with all requirements of the solicitation.

Bidder: \_\_\_\_\_ FEID# \_\_\_\_\_.

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_.

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Authorized Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed/Typed: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_



# INTRODUCTION SECTION

## 1) INVITATION

The State of Florida Department of Transportation (hereinafter referred to as the "Department") is soliciting written bids from qualified bidders to establish a contract to **modify and refurbish five (5) Florida Department of Transportation's (FDOT's) Florida's Turnpike Enterprise (FTE) telecommunications towers and radio antenna systems.** It is anticipated that the term of the contract will begin on or about the date of award and be effective for approximately 12 months thereafter.

For the purpose of this document, the term "bidder" means the bidder acting on their own behalf and those individuals, partnerships, firms, or corporations comprising the bidder team. The term "bid package" means the complete response of the bidder to the Invitation to Bid, including properly completed forms and supporting documentation. After the award, said bidder will be referred to as the "Vendor".

## 2) TIMELINE

Provided below is a list of critical dates and actions. These dates are subject to change. Notices of changes (Addenda) will be posted on the Florida Vendor Bid System at [www.myflorida.com](http://www.myflorida.com) (click on "BUSINESS", click on "Doing Business with the State", under "Everything for Vendors and Customers", click on "Vendor Bid System (VBS)", click on "Search Advertisements") under this bid number. It is the responsibility of all potential bidders to monitor this site for any changing information prior to submitting your bid.

<b>ACTION / LOCATION</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>LOCAL TIME</b>
<b>TOWER SITE VISIT</b> McArthur Location See Appendix "E" for Address	<b>April 20, 2017</b>	<b>10:00 AM -12:00 PM</b>
<b>DEADLINE FOR TECHNICAL QUESTIONS -</b> There is no deadline for administrative questions.	<b>April 28, 2017</b>	<b>3:00 PM</b>
<b>TECHNICAL QUESTIONS &amp; ANSWERS POSTED</b>	<b>Approx. May 5, 2017</b>	<b>5:00 PM</b>
<b>BIDS DUE (ON OR BEFORE) -</b> FDOT Burns Bldg. Procurement Office Rm. 429 605 Suwannee Street, MS 20 Tallahassee, FL 32399-0450 Greg Hill (850) 414-4482	<b>May 23, 2017</b>	<b>3:00 PM</b>
<b>PUBLIC OPENING -</b> Florida Department of Transportation Procurement Office Rm. 429 Greg Hill (850) 414-4482 605 Suwannee Street, MS 20 Tallahassee, FL 32399-0450	<b>May 23, 2017</b>	<b>3:00 PM</b>
<b>POSTING OF INTENDED DECISION/AWARD -</b>	<b>May 26, 2017</b>	<b>3:00 PM</b>

## 3) BID OPENING AGENDA

The sealed bids will be opened by the Department's Procurement Office personnel at the date, time and location in the Timeline. All bid openings are open to the public and will be conducted according to the following agenda:

Opening remarks – Approximate time of 2 minutes by Department Procurement Office personnel.

Public input period – To allow a maximum of 15 minutes total for public input related to the bid solicitation.

Bids opened – At conclusion of public input or 15 minutes, whichever occurs first, bids received timely will be opened with bidder's name and prices to be read aloud.

Adjourn - After all bids received timely have been opened, the meeting will be adjourned.

#### **4) SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS**

Any person with a qualified disability requiring special accommodations at a pre-bid conference, public meeting, and/or opening shall contact the contact person at the phone number, e-mail address or fax number provided on the title page at least five (5) working days prior to the event. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact this office by using the Florida Relay Services which can be reached at 1 (800) 955-8771 (TDD).

## **SPECIAL CONDITIONS**

### **1) MyFloridaMarketPlace**

BIDDERS MUST BE REGISTERED IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA'S MYFLORIDAMARKETPLACE SYSTEM BY THE TIME AND DATE OF THE BID OPENING OR THEY MAY BE CONSIDERED NON-RESPONSIVE (see Special Condition 21). All prospective bidders that are not registered should go to <https://vendor.myfloridamarketplace.com/> to complete on-line registration, or call 1-866-352-3776 for assisted registration.

All payment(s) to the vendor resulting from this competitive solicitation **WILL** be subject to the MFMP Transaction Fee in accordance with the referenced Form PUR 1000 General Contract Condition #14. However, all vendors should be aware, that effective July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017, in accordance with House Bill 5003 Sec.73, the Transaction Fee will be seven-tenths of one percent (.70%) of the payment issued. The Transaction Fees imposed shall be based upon the date of issuance of the payment.

### **2) Florida Department of Financial Services (DFS) W-9 REQUIREMENT**

The Florida Department of Financial Services (DFS) requires all vendors that do business with the state to submit an electronic Substitute Form W-9. Vendors must submit their W-9 forms electronically at <https://flvendor.myfloridacfo.com> to receive payments from the state. Contact the DFS Customer Service Desk at (850) 413-5519 or [FLW9@myfloridacfo.com](mailto:FLW9@myfloridacfo.com) with any questions.

### **3) QUESTIONS & ANSWERS**

In accordance with section 287.057(23), Florida Statutes, respondents to this solicitation or persons acting on their behalf may not contact, between the release of the solicitation and the end of the 72-hour period following the agency posting the notice of intended award, excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and state holidays, any employee or officer of the executive or legislative branch concerning any aspect of this solicitation, except in writing to the procurement officer or as provided in the solicitation documents. Violation of this provision may be grounds for rejecting a response.

Any technical questions arising from this Invitation to Bid must be forwarded, in writing, to the procurement agent identified below. Questions must be received no later than the time and date reflected on the Timeline. The Department's written response to written inquiries submitted timely by bidders will be posted on the Florida Vendor Bid System at [www.myflorida.com](http://www.myflorida.com) (click on "BUSINESS", click on "Doing Business with the State", under "Everything for Vendors and Customers", click on "Vendor Bid System (VBS)", click on "Search

Advertisements”), under this bid number. It is the responsibility of all potential bidders to monitor this site for any changing information prior to submitting their bid.

**WRITTEN TECHNICAL QUESTIONS** should be submitted to:

[greg.hill@dot.state.fl.us](mailto:greg.hill@dot.state.fl.us), or mailed to FDOT Procurement Office, Greg Hill, 605 Suwannee St., MS20, Tallahassee, FL 32399.

Questions regarding administrative aspects of the bid process should be directed to the Procurement Agent in writing at the address above or by phone: 850-414-4482

#### **4) ORAL INSTRUCTIONS / CHANGES TO THE INVITATION TO BID (ADDENDA)**

No negotiations, decisions, or actions will be initiated or executed by a bidder as a result of any oral discussions with a State employee. Only those communications which are in writing from the Department will be considered as a duly authorized expression on behalf of the Department.

Notices of changes (Addenda) will be posted on the Florida Vendor Bid System at [www.myflorida.com](http://www.myflorida.com) (click on “BUSINESS”, click on “Doing Business with the State”, under “Everything for Vendors and Customers”, click on “Vendor Bid System (VBS)”, click on “Search Advertisements”) under this bid number. It is the responsibility of all potential bidders to monitor this site for any changing information prior to submitting your bid. All Addenda will be acknowledged by signature and subsequent submission of Addenda with bid when so stated in the Addenda.

#### **5) DIVERSITY ACHIEVEMENT**

##### **MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (MBE) UTILIZATION**

The Department, in accordance with *Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 USC 2000d- 2000d-4, Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, U.S. Department of Transportation, Subtitle A, Office of the Secretary, Part 21*, Nondiscrimination in federally-assisted programs of the Department of Transportation issued pursuant to such Act, hereby notifies all bidders that the Department will affirmatively ensure that in any contract/agreement entered into pursuant to this advertisement, minority and disadvantaged business enterprises will be afforded the full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in consideration for an award.

The Department encourages small, minority, women, and service-disabled veteran businesses to compete for Department contracts, both as “Vendor” and as subcontractors. The Department, its vendors, suppliers, and consultants should take all necessary and reasonable steps to ensure that small, minority, women, and service-disabled veteran businesses have the opportunity to compete for and perform contract work for the Department in a nondiscriminatory environment. Bidders are requested to indicate their intention regarding MBE participation on the MBE Planned Utilization form and to submit the completed form with their Bid Sheet. The contract vendor will be asked to submit payment certification for MBE subcontractors used.

To request certification or to locate certified MBEs, call the Office of Supplier Diversity, Department of Management Services at (850) 487-0915, or access their MBE directory on the Internet at [www.osd.dms.state.fl.us/](http://www.osd.dms.state.fl.us/).

#### **6) TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS/APPENDICES**

Details of the services, information and items to be furnished by the Vendor are described in Exhibit “A”, Technical Specifications and Appendices “A - F”, attached hereto and made a part hereof.

## 7) INTENDED AWARD

The Department intends to award this contract to the single, responsive, and responsible bidder that submits the lowest grand total bid for all five tower sites. If the Department is confronted with identical pricing or scoring from multiple vendors, the Department shall determine the order of award in accordance with section 295.187(4), Florida Statutes, and Rule 60A-1.011 Florida Administrative Code.

## 8) PRE-BID SITE VISIT

April 20, 2017  
10:00 AM -12:00 PM (local time)  
McArthur Location  
See Appendix "E" for Address

## 9) QUALIFICATIONS

### 9.1 GENERAL

Bidder must meet the following minimum qualifications:

9.1.1 Been actively engaged in the type of business being requested for a minimum of 5 years.

### 9.2 BIDDER QUALIFICATIONS

When submitting the bid, each bidder must submit a written statement ("Minimum Qualifications Statement" form), detailing their qualifications that demonstrate they meet the minimum qualifications contained in Special Condition 9.1.1, above. Failure by the bidder to provide the above item(s) will constitute a non-responsive determination. Bids found to be non-responsive will not be considered.

### 9.3 AUTHORIZED TO DO BUSINESS IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA

In accordance with sections 607.1501, 605.0211(2)(b), and 620.9102, Florida Statutes, out of state corporations, out of state limited liability companies, and out of state limited partnerships must be authorized to do business in the State of Florida. Such authorization should be obtained by the bid due date and time, but in any case, must be obtained prior to posting of the intended award of the contract. For authorization, contact:

Florida Department of State  
Tallahassee, Florida 32399  
(850) 245-6051

### 9.4 LICENSE TO CONDUCT SERVICES IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA

If the services being provided requires that individuals be licensed by the Department of Business and Professional Regulation, such licenses should be obtained by the bid due date and time, but in any case, must be obtained prior to posting of the intended award of the contract.

For licensing, contact:

Florida Department of Business and Professional Regulation  
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0797  
(850) 487-1395

**NOTE: If bidder possess Business Authorizations and License, please include in bid response**

## 10) WARRANTY/SUBSTITUTIONS

When performance of the services requires the supply of commodities, a warranty is required on all items provided against defective materials, workmanship, and failure to perform in accordance with required



industry performance criteria, for a period of not less than ninety (90) days from the date of acceptance by the purchaser. Any deviation from this criteria must be documented in the bid response or the above statement shall prevail. Delivery of substitute commodities requires prior written approval from the ordering location.

Replacement of all materials found defective within the warranty period shall be made without cost to the purchaser, including transportation if applicable. All fees associated with restocking cancelled orders shall be the responsibility of the vendor.

All items provided during the performance of the contract found to be poorly manufactured will not be accepted, but returned to the vendor, at their expense, for replacement. Replacement of all items found defective shall be made without cost to the Department, including transportation, if applicable. As it may be impossible for each facility to inspect all items upon arrival, a reasonable opportunity must be given to these facilities for inspection of the items, and returning those that are defective.

## 11) LIABILITY INSURANCE

The Vendor shall not commence any work until they have obtained the following types of insurance, and certificates of such insurance have been received by the Department. Nor shall the Vendor allow any subcontractor to commence work on this project until all similar insurance required of the subcontractor has been so obtained. The Vendor shall submit the required Certificates of Insurance **with bid response** or to the **FDOT, Procurement Office, (Greg Hill, 605 Suwannee St., MS20 Tallahassee, FL 32399)** within ten (10) days after the ending date of the period for posting the intended award decision.

**( X )** The Vendor must carry and keep in force during the period of this contract a general liability insurance policy or policies with a company authorized to do business in the state of Florida, affording public liability insurance with combined bodily injury limits of at least **\$1,000,000** per person and **\$2,000,000 (minimum)** each occurrence, and property damage insurance of at least **\$1,000,000** each occurrence, for the services to be rendered in accordance with this contract.

With respect to any general liability insurance policy required pursuant to this Agreement, all such policies shall be issued by companies licensed to do business in the State of Florida. The Vendor shall provide to the Department certificates showing the required coverage to be in effect with endorsements showing the Department to be an additional insured prior to commencing any work under this Contract. The certificates and policies shall provide that in the event of any material change in or cancellation of the policies reflecting the required coverage, thirty days advance notice shall be given to the Department or as provided in accordance with Florida law.

The Department shall be exempt from, and in no way liable for, any sums of money which may represent a deductible in any insurance policy. The payment of such deductible shall be the sole responsibility of the Vendor or subcontractor providing such insurance. Policies that include Self Insured Retention (SIR) will not be accepted.

## 12) PERFORMANCE BOND

**(X)** The intended award bidder shall provide the Department with a Performance Bond in the amount of **“full amount of the bid”**. The Performance Bond shall be provided by a surety company authorized to do business in the state of Florida. The Performance Bond shall be executed and furnished to the Department prior to contract execution and no later than ten (10) days after the ending date of the period for posting the intended award decision, unless the Department extends the time period in writing. **Failure to provide the required Performance Bond (Form 375-040-27) to the Department within the aforementioned timeframe will void the Intended Award’s bid and the Department will proceed in contracting with the next lowest responsive bidder.**

**The bidder must submit, with its bid, a current letter from a surety company or bonding agent authorized to do business in the state of Florida and written on company letterhead, to document the bidder’s present ability to obtain a Performance Bond in the amount of **“full amount of the bid”**. Failure**

by the bidder to provide this letter with its bid will constitute a non-responsive determination for its bid.  
**Bids found to be non-responsive will not be considered.**

### **13) METHOD OF COMPENSATION**

Payments will be made based upon completion of each Milestone as defined in Exhibit "A" and Appendices "A-F", and as accepted and approved by the Department.

### **14) CONTRACT DOCUMENT**

#### **PURCHASE ORDER**

The MyFloridaMarketPlace "Purchase Order Terms and Conditions" and the Department's "Purchase Order Terms & Conditions" are referenced or attached hereto and made a part hereof. The terms and conditions contained therein will become an integral part of each Purchase Order issued for this solicitation. In submitting a bid, the bidder agrees to be legally bound by these terms and conditions.

### **15) REVIEW OF BIDDER'S FACILITIES & QUALIFICATIONS**

After the bid due date and prior to contract execution, the Department reserves the right to perform or to have performed, an on-site review of the bidder's facilities and qualifications. This review will serve to verify data and representations submitted by the bidder and may be used to determine whether the bidder has adequate facilities, equipment, qualified and experienced staff, and overall management capabilities to provide the required services. The review may also serve to verify whether the bidder has financial capabilities adequate to meet the contract requirements.

**Should** the Department determine that the bid package has material misrepresentations or that the size or nature of the bidder's facilities, equipment, management capabilities, or the number of experienced personnel (including technical staff) are not adequate to ensure satisfactory contract performance, the Department has the right to reject the bid.

### **16) PROTEST OF INVITATION TO BID SPECIFICATIONS**

Any person who is adversely affected by the contents of this Invitation to Bid must file the following with the Department of Transportation, Clerk of Agency Proceedings, Office of the General Counsel, 605 Suwannee Street, Mail Station 58, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0450:

1. A written notice of protest within seventy-two (72) hours after the posting of the solicitation, (the notice of protest may be Faxed to 850-414-5264), and
2. A formal written protest in compliance with Section 120.57(3), Florida Statutes, within ten (10) days of the date on which the written notice of protest is filed.

Failure to file a protest within the time prescribed in section 120.57(3), Florida Statutes, or failure to post the bond or other security required by law within the time allowed for filing a bond shall constitute a waiver of proceedings under Chapter 120, Florida Statutes.

### **17) UNAUTHORIZED ALIENS**

The employment of unauthorized aliens by any contractor is considered a violation of Section 274A(e) of the Immigration and Nationality Act. If the contractor knowingly employs unauthorized aliens, such violation shall be cause for unilateral cancellation of the contract.

### **18) SCRUTINIZED COMPANIES LISTS**

Responses of \$1 million or more must include a completed [Vendor Certification Regarding Scrutinized Companies Lists](#) to certify the respondent is not on either of those lists. The Form should be submitted with the Price Proposal.

Section 287.135, Florida Statutes, requires that at the time a vendor submits a bid or proposal for a contract for goods or services of \$1,000,000 or greater, the vendor must certify that the company is not on Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Sudan List, the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List, or the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List.

For Contracts \$1,000,000 and greater, if the Department determines the Vendor submitted a false certification under Section 287.135(5) of the Florida Statutes, or if the Vendor has been placed on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Sudan List, the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List, or the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List, the Department shall either terminate the Contract after it has given the Vendor notice and an opportunity to demonstrate the Department's determination of false certification was in error pursuant to Section 287.135(5)(a) of the Florida Statutes, or maintain the Contract if the conditions of Section 287.135(4) of the Florida Statutes are met.

## **19) RESERVATIONS**

The Department reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids received and reserves the right to make an award without further discussion of the bids submitted. Therefore, the bidder should make sure that the bid package submitted is complete and accurate and submitted to ensure delivery on or before the bid opening time and date specified in this solicitation. It is understood that the bid will become a part of the Department's official file, without obligation to the Department.

## **20) ADDITIONAL TERMS & CONDITIONS**

No conditions may be applied to any aspect of the ITB by the bidder. Any conditions placed on any aspect of the bid documents by the bidder may result in the bid being rejected as a conditional bid (see "RESPONSIVENESS OF BIDS"). **DO NOT WRITE IN CHANGES ON ANY ITB SHEET.** The only recognized changes to the ITB prior to bid opening will be a written Addenda issued by the Department.

## **21) RESPONSIVENESS OF BIDS**

Bids will not be considered if not received by the Department **on or before** the date and time specified as the due date for submission. All bids must be typed or printed in ink. A responsive bid is an offer to provide the services specified in this Invitation to Bid in accordance with all requirements of this Invitation to Bid. Bids found to be non-responsive will not be considered. Bids may be rejected if found to be irregular or not in conformance with the requirements and instructions herein contained. A bid may be found to be irregular or non-responsive by reasons that include, but are not limited to, failure to utilize or complete prescribed forms, modifying the bid requirements, submitting conditional bids or incomplete bids, submitting indefinite or ambiguous bids, or executing forms or the bid sheet with improper and/or undated signatures. Other conditions which may cause rejection of bids include, evidence of collusion among bidders, obvious lack of experience or expertise to provide the required services, and failure to perform or meet financial obligations on previous contracts.

## **22) BID SHEET**

The bidder must use the attached Bid Sheet to submit its bid. The Bid Sheet must be signed and dated in ink by a representative who is authorized to contractually bind the bidder. All bid sheets and other documentation submitted in response to this solicitation must be executed and submitted in a sealed envelope. **Indicate the bid number, with the time and date of the bid opening, on the envelope used to return the bid.**

## **23) ESTIMATED QUANTITIES**

The Department anticipates purchasing the estimated quantities shown on the bid sheet(s), for a one (1) year period of any contract resulting from this bid. The estimated quantities are given only as a guideline for

preparing your bid and should not be construed as representing the actual quantities to be authorized under this contract. The Vendor(s) shall supply, at bid prices, the actual quantities authorized regardless of whether the total of such quantities is more or less than anticipated. This bid and the resulting contract will be subject to annual appropriated funding.

#### **24) "DRUG-FREE WORK PLACE" PREFERENCE**

Whenever two or more bids which are equal with respect to price, quality, and service are received, the Department shall determine the order of award in accordance with section 295.187(4), Florida Statutes, and Rule 60A-1.011 Florida Administrative Code, which includes a preference for bid responses that certify the business has implemented a drug-free workplace program in accordance with Section 287.087, F.S. The "Drug-Free Workplace Program Certification" must be completed and submitted with the bid response to be eligible for this preference.

#### **25) COPYRIGHTED MATERIAL**

Copyrighted material will be accepted as part of a bid only if accompanied by a waiver that will allow the Department to make paper and electronic copies necessary for the use of Department staff and agents. It is noted that copyrighted material is not exempt from the Public Records Law, Chapter 119, Florida Statutes. Therefore, such material will be subject to viewing by the public, but copies of the material will not be provided to the public.

#### **26) ATTACHMENT TO ITB SUBMITTAL - CONFIDENTIAL MATERIAL**

The Bidder must include any materials it asserts to be exempted from public disclosure under Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, in a separate bound document labeled "Attachment to Invitation to Bid, Number ITB-DOT-(bid #) - Confidential Material". The Bidder must identify the specific Statute that authorizes exemption from the Public Records Law. Any claim of confidentiality on materials the Bidder asserts to be exempt from public disclosure and placed elsewhere in the bid will be considered waived by the Bidder upon submission, effective after opening.

#### **27) MAIL OR DELIVER BIDS TO: (DO NOT FAX OR SEND BY E-MAIL)**

**Florida Department of Transportation  
Procurement Office  
605 Suwannee Street, MS 20  
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0450  
Attn: Greg Hill (850) 414-4482**

It is the bidder's responsibility to assure that the bid is delivered to the proper place **on or before** the Bid Due date and time (See Introduction Section 2 Timeline). Bids which for any reason are not so delivered, will not be considered.

#### **28) MODIFICATIONS, RESUBMITTAL AND WITHDRAWAL**

Bidders may modify submitted bids at any time prior to the bid due date. Requests for modification of a submitted bid shall be in writing and must be signed by an authorized signatory of the bidder. Upon receipt and acceptance of such a request, the entire bid will be returned to the bidder and not considered unless resubmitted by the due date and time. Bidders may also send a change in a sealed envelope to be opened at the same time as the bid. The ITB number, opening date and time should appear on the envelope of the modified bid.

#### **29) POSTING OF INTENDED DECISION/AWARD**

##### **29.1 - General:**

The Department's decision will be posted on the Florida Vendor Bid System, at [www.myflorida.com](http://www.myflorida.com), (click on "BUSINESS", click on "Doing Business with the State", under "Everything for Vendors and Customers", click on "Vendor Bid System (VBS)", on date and time in the Timeline, and will remain posted for a period of seventy-two (72) hours. Any bidder who is adversely affected by the Department's recommended award or intended decision must file the following with the Department of Transportation, Clerk of Agency Proceedings, Office of the General Counsel, 605 Suwannee Street, Mail Station 58, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0450:

1. A written notice of protest within seventy-two (72) hours after posting of the Intended Award, (the notice of protest may be Faxed to 850-414-5264), and
2. A formal written protest and protest bond in compliance with Section 120.57(3), Florida Statutes, within ten (10) days of the date on which the written notice of protest is filed. At the time of filing the formal written protest, a bond (a cashier's check or money order may be accepted) payable to the Department must also be submitted in an amount equal to one percent (1%) of the estimated contract amount based on the contract price submitted by the protestor.

Failure to file a protest within the time prescribed in Section 120.57(3), Florida Statutes, or failure to post the bond or other security required by law within the time allowed for filing a bond shall constitute a waiver of proceedings under Chapter 120, Florida Statutes.

### **29.2 - Inability to Post:**

If the Department is unable to post as defined above, the Department will notify all bidders by electronic notification on the Florida Vendor Bid System (see special condition 29.1, above) or by mail, fax, and/or telephone. The Department will provide notification of any future posting in a timely manner.

### **29.3 - Request to Withdraw Bid:**

Requests for withdrawal will be considered if received by the Department, in writing, within seventy-two (72) hours after the bid opening time and date. Requests received in accordance with this provision will be granted by the Department upon proof of the impossibility to perform based upon obvious error on the part of the bidder. Bidders that do not withdraw as stated above will forfeit their bid bond, if applicable.

## **30) AWARD OF THE CONTRACT**

Services will be authorized to begin when the Vendor receives the following document(s), as appropriate, indicating the encumbrance of funds and award of the contract:

- a) A Purchase Order issued by the Department, or a Standard Written Agreement executed by both parties.

## **31) RENEWAL**

Upon mutual agreement, the Department and the Contract Vendor may renew the Contract for a period that may not exceed 3 years or the term of the original contract, whichever is longer. The renewal must be in writing and signed by both parties, and is subject to the same terms and conditions set forth in the initial contract and any written amendments signed by the parties. Any renewal shall specify the renewal price, as set forth in the solicitation response except that an agency may negotiate lower pricing. Renewal is contingent upon satisfactory performance evaluations and subject to the availability of funds.

## **32) ATTACHED FORMS**

Bid Sheet

Minimum Qualifications Statement

Performance Bond (Form 375-040-27)

Drug-Free Workplace Program Certification (Form 375-040-18)

Vendor Certification Regarding Scrutinized Companies Lists (Form 375-030-60)

### **33) TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

#### **33.1 General Contract Conditions (PUR 1000)**

The State of Florida's General Contract Conditions are outlined in form PUR 1000, which is a downloadable document incorporated into this Invitation to Bid (ITB) by reference. Any terms and conditions set forth in this ITB document take precedence over the PUR 1000 form where applicable.

<http://www.dms.myflorida.com/content/download/2933/11777/1000.pdf>

The following paragraphs do not apply to this Invitation to Bid:

Paragraph 31, Dispute Resolution - PUR 1000

Paragraph 40, PRIDE – PUR 1000, when federal funds are utilized.

#### **33.2 General Instructions to Respondents (PUR 1001)**

The State of Florida's General Instructions to Respondents are outlined in form PUR 1001, which is a downloadable document incorporated into this Invitation to Bid (ITB) by reference. Any terms and conditions set forth in this ITB document take precedence over the PUR 1001 form where applicable.

<http://www.dms.myflorida.com/content/download/2934/11780/1001.pdf>

The following paragraphs do not apply to this Invitation to Bid:

Paragraph 3, Electronic Submission – PUR 1001

Paragraph 4, Terms and Conditions – PUR 1001

Paragraph 5, Questions – PUR 1001

#### **33.3 MFMP Purchase Order Terms and Conditions**

All MFMP Purchase Order contracts resulting from this solicitation will include the terms and conditions of this solicitation and the State of Florida's standardized Purchase Order Terms and Conditions, which can be found at the Department of Management Services website at the following link:

[http://www.dms.myflorida.com/content/download/117735/646919/Purchase\\_Order\\_Terms\\_Sept\\_1,\\_2015\\_.pdf](http://www.dms.myflorida.com/content/download/117735/646919/Purchase_Order_Terms_Sept_1,_2015_.pdf)

Section 8(B), PRIDE, is not applicable when using federal funds.

### **34) ORDER OF PRECEDENCE**

All responses are subject to the terms and conditions of this solicitation, which, in case of conflict, shall have the following order of precedence listed:

- Special Conditions
- Exhibit "A" Technical Specifications
- Appendices "A - F"
- Bid Sheet
- MFMP Purchase Order Terms and Conditions
- Instructions to Respondents (PUR 1001)
- General Conditions (PUR 1000)
- Introduction Section

### **35) SITE VISIT**

Each bidder must fully acquaint themselves with the conditions which may in any manner affect the work to be done or the equipment, materials and labor required to perform the services required under the conditions of this bid. This may require an on-site visit. Ignorance of the conditions or requirements will not relieve the Vendor from their liability and obligation under the contract.

**PERFORMANCE BOND**

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That we, \_\_\_\_\_  
(name)  
\_\_\_\_\_ (hereinafter called Vendor) of \_\_\_\_\_  
(address)

\_\_\_\_\_ and  
\_\_\_\_\_ (hereinafter called Surety) of  
(name)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(address)

duly authorized to do business in the State of Florida, are held and firmly bound unto the State of Florida in the full and just sum of \_\_\_\_\_ Dollars (\$ \_\_\_\_\_), lawful money of the United States of America, to be paid to the Florida Department of Transportation (hereinafter called the Department), to which payment will and truly to be made we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, jointly and severally and firmly by these presents;

WHEREAS, the above Vendor has subscribed to an agreement with the Department to bear the date of \_\_\_\_\_, for contractual services agreement in connection with \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ County(ies), particularly known as \_\_\_\_\_

(hereinafter called the Agreement), upon certain terms and conditions in said Agreement more particularly mentioned; and

NOW, THEREFORE, The condition of this obligation is such that if the above Vendor in all respects will comply with the terms and conditions of said Agreement, and its obligations thereunder, including the Scope of Services, Specifications, General Conditions, Special Conditions, Bid Blank therein referred to and made a part thereof, and such alterations as may be made in said conditions and specifications, as therein provided for; and, further, if such Vendor will promptly make payment to all persons supplying labor, material, equipment and supplies, used directly or indirectly by the said Vendor or any subcontractor(s) in the prosecution of the work provided for in said Agreement, and promptly will pay all State Workers' Compensation and Unemployment Compensation taxes incurred in the performance of the said Agreement and will pay to the Department any amount in money or property, the Department may lose or be overcharged or otherwise defrauded of, by reason of any wrongful or criminal act of the Vendor, its agents, or employees, then this obligation is to be void; otherwise, to be and remain in full force and virtue in law.

WITNESS the signature of the Vendor and the signature of the Surety by \_\_\_\_\_ its

(Agent or Attorney-in-Fact, or otherwise)

with seals of said Vendor and Surety hereunto affixed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Surety  
BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature  
TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_  
Attorney-in-Fact/Agent  
(Surety Seal)

Name/Telephone #: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Vendor  
BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Authorized Signature(s)  
TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_  
ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Secretary/Notary  
BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

Note: Attach Power of Attorney showing authority of Surety's Agent or Attorney-in-Fact. This bond is not for public works contracts required by Section 25.05, Florida Statutes.

STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
**DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE PROGRAM CERTIFICATION**

375-040-18  
PROCUREMENT  
03/17

287.087 Preference to businesses with drug-free workplace programs. --Whenever two or more bids, proposals, or replies that are equal with respect to price, quality, and service are received by the state or by any political subdivision for the procurement of commodities or contractual services, a bid, proposal, or reply received from a business that certifies that it has implemented a drug-free workplace program shall be given preference in the award process. In order to have a drug-free workplace program, a business shall:

(1) Publish a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violations of such prohibition.

(2) Inform employees about the dangers of drug abuse in the workplace, the business's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace, any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs, and the penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations.

(3) Give each employee engaged in providing the commodities or contractual services that are under bid a copy of the statement specified in subsection (1).

(4) In the statement specified in subsection (1), notify the employees that, as a condition of working on the commodities or contractual services that are under bid, the employee will abide by the terms of the statement and will notify the employer of any conviction of, or plea of guilty or nolo contendere to, any violation of Chapter 893 or of any controlled substance law of the United States or any state, for a violation occurring in the workplace no later than 5 days after such conviction.

(5) Impose a sanction on, or require the satisfactory participation in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program if such is available in the employee's community by, any employee who is so convicted.

(6) Make a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug-free workplace through implementation of this section.

**Does the individual responding to this solicitation certify that their firm has implemented a drug-free workplace program in accordance with the provision of Section 287.087, Florida Statutes, as stated above?**

**YES**

**NO**

NAME OF BUSINESS: \_\_\_\_\_



STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
**VENDOR CERTIFICATION REGARDING  
SCRUTINIZED COMPANIES LISTS**

Florida Statutes  
287.135

375-030-60  
PROCUREMENT  
09/16

Respondent Vendor Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Vendor FEIN: \_\_\_\_\_  
Vendor's Authorized Representative Name and Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Section 287.135, Florida Statutes, prohibits agencies from contracting with companies for goods or services of \$1,000,000 or more, that are on either the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List, the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector Lists which are created pursuant to s. 215.473, F.S., or the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List, created pursuant to s. 215.4725, F.S., or companies that are engaged in a boycott of Israel. This requirement is not applicable to federally funded contracts.

As the person authorized to sign on behalf of Respondent, I hereby certify that the company identified above in the section entitled "Respondent Vendor Name" is not listed on either the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List, or the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List. I further certify that the company is not engaged in a boycott of Israel. I understand that pursuant to section 287.135, Florida Statutes, the submission of a false certification may subject company to civil penalties, attorney's fees, and/or costs.

Certified By: \_\_\_\_\_,

who is authorized to sign on behalf of the above referenced company.

Authorized Signature Print Name and Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
**MBE PLANNED UTILIZATION**

375-040-24  
PROCUREMENT  
03/17

PROCUREMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_ FINANCIAL PROJECT NO. \_\_\_\_\_  
(DEPARTMENT USE ONLY)

DESCRIPTION: \_\_\_\_\_

I, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_  
(name) (title)

of \_\_\_\_\_

plan to subcontract at least \_\_\_\_\_ % (percent) of the project costs on the above referenced project to Minority Business Enterprises.

If I have indicated above that a portion of the project costs will be subcontracted to MBE(s), the firms considered as proposed subconsultants/contractors and the types of services or commodities to be subcontracted are as follows:

MBE SUBCONSULTANTS/CONTRACTORS

TYPES OF SERVICES/COMMODITIES

I understand that I will need to submit Minority Business Enterprises (MBE) payment certification forms to the Department for reporting purposes only.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## BID CHECKLIST

(DOES NOT NEED TO BE RETURNED WITH YOUR BID)

This Checklist is provided as a guideline, only, to assist bidders in the preparation of their bid response. Included are some important matters that the bidder should check. This checklist is just a guideline, and is not intended to include all matters required by the ITB. Bidders are responsible to read and comply with the ITB in its entirety.

Check off each the following:

- 1. The “Bid Sheet” has been filled out completely, signed, and enclosed in the bid response.
- 2. Exhibit “A”, Technical Specifications and Appendices “A – F” have been thoroughly reviewed for compliance to the bid requirements.
- 3. “Performance Bond/Surety Letter” form has been read, signed, and enclosed in the bid response.
- 4. “Liability Insurance” form has been enclosed in the bid response.
- 5. If bidder possess “Business Authorizations and License”, please enclose in bid response.
- 6. “Drug-Free Workplace Program Certification” form has been read, signed, and enclosed in the bid response, if applicable.
- 7. “Scrutinized Companies Lists” certification form has been read, signed, and enclosed in the bid response, if applicable (bids of \$1 million or more).
- 8. The [www.myflorida.com](http://www.myflorida.com) website has been checked and any Addendums posted have been completed, signed, and included in the bid response.
- 9. The bid response must be received, at the location specified, **on or before** the Bid Due Date and Time designated in the ITB.
- 10. On the Lower Left Hand Corner of the Envelope transmitting your bid response, write in the following information:

Bid No.: ITB-DOT-16/17-9076-GH

Title: FTE Tower Modifications and Refurbishment

Opening Date & Time: See “TIMELINE” in INTRODUCTION SECTION .