Event Description

This event is a pre-response conference for SWC 212, Industrial and Medical Supply (IMS) Gases.

Procurement Contact: James Vallone; James.Vallone@tn.gov; 615-253-8528

READ THE ENTIRE BID, including the Event Details, Evaluation Model, Specifications, and Terms and Conditions and any other attachments.

A Pre-response conference will be held on March 21st, at 10AM Central. Attendance is not mandatory and can be virtual or physical. Refer to Terms and Conditions for further details. To join virtually, use the following link:

https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_ZmUyNjY1ODgtNjI0Zi00NDdkLWIzNmEtM2QyMjcyNTI5Y2Zh%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%22f345bebf-0d71-4337-9281-24b941616c36%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%227ccf93e4-0232-4847-9575-2d7b06653bcb%22%7d

If the Review and bid on this event link included in the e-mail notification does not work, please go to http://www.edison.tn.gov/ and click the link to the Supplier Portal Home Page. Log in with your vendor ID and password in order to search bid opportunities.

NOTE: Internet Explorer and Firefox are the recommended browsers to access the Supplier Portal and bid on events. Google Chrome is not supported and should not be used. Need help with EDISON? Call the Edison HELP Desk at 866-376-0104 or 615-741-4357

Please do not wait until the last day to POST YOUR BID. The Edison system will sign you out after 30 minutes of inactivity. Your password expires EVERY 90 DAYS. It is the responsibility of the Edison User (bidder/vendor) to maintain their own profile information (Email address, phone numbers, address or contacts) and to continue to keep it current by logging into the Supplier Portal and making changes as needed.

Supplier Portal link: http://www.edison.tn.gov (Maintain supplier information)

Central Procurement Office Website: https://www.tn.gov/generalservices/procurement

The website is constantly being updated with information to assist the agencies and vendors; you are encouraged to visit the website frequently.

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<td>Please complete the attached form, included with the Terms and Conditions document, and attach all pertinent documentation regarding your company’s efforts to achieve diversity business participation. This information must be submitted with the bid document and monthly thereafter until a reasonable level of diversity business participation is achieved. Confirm below that you have completed this attached form by choosing, “Yes.”</td>
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Required: Yes  Mandatory Response: No

Response Comments
I (we) agree to strictly abide by all the statutes and terms contained in the rules of the Department of General Services, Central Procurement Office, which are by reference made a part hereof, in addition to the special terms, conditions and specifications embodied in the invitation to bid.

IMPORTANT: By Selecting YES, the bidder certifies compliance with the above and further certifies that this bid is made without collusion or fraud.

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Tennessee State Agencies refers to the various departments, institutions, boards, commissions, and agencies of the executive branch of government of the State of Tennessee with exceptions as addressed in Tenn. Comp. R. & Regs. 0690-03-01-.01. The Contractor shall provide all goods or services and deliverables as required by this Contract to all Tennessee State Agencies.

Authorized Users are those entities that are authorized to purchase off of Statewide Contracts and include the following:

a) all Tennessee State governmental entities (this includes the legislative branch; judicial branch; and, commissions and boards of the State outside of the executive branch of government);
b) Tennessee local governmental agencies;
c) the board of trustees of the University of Tennessee system, the Tennessee board of regents system, or the State university boards;
d) any private nonprofit institution of higher education chartered in Tennessee; and,
e) any corporation which is exempted from taxation under 26 U.S.C. Section 501(c)(3), as amended, and which contracts with the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services or the Department of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities to provide services to the public (Tenn. Code Ann. § 33-2-1001).

Any contracts awarded from this Invitation to Bid shall be made available to Authorized Users in addition to Tennessee State Agencies, unless a letter is attached to this Invitation to Bid, requesting that the contract is only available for use by Tennessee State Agencies.

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Required: Yes  Mandatory Response: No
Please list the following information regarding your company's contract administrator.

List the Contract Administrator's Name
List the Contract Administrator's Address
List the Contract Administrator's Phone Number
List the Contract Administrator's Toll Free Phone Number
List the Contract Administrator's Pager or Cell Number
List the Contract Administrator's Email Address
List the Contract Administrator's Website

Required: Yes  Mandatory Response: No

The bidder shall indicate whether or not they plan to sub-contract:

No: The bidder does not anticipate using a sub-contractor at this time and agrees to submit a request to subcontract during the contract period prior to using a subcontractor.

Yes: The bidder shall list the subcontractor(s). Attach list of additional subcontractors to the bid, including the following for each subcontractor.

List the Sub-Contractor's Name
List the Sub-Contractor's Address
List the Sub-Contractor's Contact Person
List the Sub-Contractor's Phone Number

Required: Yes  Mandatory Response: No
The Contractor shall not assign this Contract or enter into a subcontract for any of the goods or services provided under this Contract without obtaining the prior written approval of the Central Procurement Office. Notwithstanding any use of approved subcontractors, the Contractor shall be the prime contractor and shall be responsible for all work provided.

How many days after receipt of purchase order will it take to deliver item(s)?

Required: Yes  Mandatory Response: No

List the return goods policy:

Required: Yes  Mandatory Response: No

The Respondent affirms the following statement, as required by the Iran Divestment Act Tenn. Code Ann. § 12-12-111: "By submission of this response, each Respondent and each person signing on behalf of any Respondent certifies, and in the case of a joint response each party thereto certifies as to its own organization, under penalty of perjury, that to the best of its knowledge and belief that each Respondent is not on the list created pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 12-12-106." For reference purposes, the list is currently available online at: https://www.tn.gov/generalservices/procurement/central-procurement-office--cpo--library-/public-information-library.html

Required: Yes  Mandatory Response: No
Please answer yes or no to the following. If YES, describe using additional pages and attach to the Response including any relevant details:

(a) is the Respondent presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any federal or state department or agency;

(b) has the Respondent within the past three (3) years, been convicted of, or had a civil judgment rendered against the contracting party from commission of fraud, or a criminal offence in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (federal, state, or local) transaction or grant under a public transaction; violation of federal or state antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;

(c) is the Respondent presently indicted or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a government entity (federal, state, or local) with commission of any of the offenses detailed above; and

(d) has the Respondent within a three (3) year period preceding the contract had one or more public transactions (federal, state, or local) terminated for cause or default.

Required: Yes  Mandatory Response: No

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If the respondent is not registered with the Secretary of State's Office, it will be given seven (7) business days to become registered or the bid will be rejected.

Please provide Secretary of State issued ID Number

Required: Yes  Mandatory Response: No

Response Comments

Associated Terms:

Prior to award and during the contract period, a corporation must be registered and be in good standing with the Secretary of State's Office. The following is the contract information for the Secretary of State's Office: State of Tennessee, Department of State Attn Business Filings and Information 312 Rosa L Parks Ave 6th Floor, WRS Tennessee Tower Nashville TN 37243-1102 Email: TNSOS.CORPINFO@tn.gov Website: https://sos.tn.gov/business-services/business-entity-filings Bid event respondents will be granted seven (7) business days from the date of bid submission to register with the Secretary of State or bid response will be rejected.
Please attach documentation that reflects you are registered with the Department of Revenue for sales and use tax, as stated in the Terms and Conditions. If you are exempt, please provide a copy of the communication from the Department of Revenue supporting this exemption.

Required: Yes  Mandatory Response: No

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Please enter the number of days, from the bid opening date, after which your bid offer will expire:

Required: Yes  Mandatory Response: No

Response Comments

Respondents must attach their completed Evaluation Model/Bid Pricing Document here.

Required: Yes  Mandatory Response: No

A file attachment is required to satisfy this question.
Your bid will need to be edited online to include attachment responses.

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Respondents must attach their Catalog and include Retail and State offered Pricing.

Required: Yes  Mandatory Response: No

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Will the respondent accept the State's Purchasing Card (P-Card) as a form of payment under the awarded Contract?

Required: Yes  Mandatory Response: No

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Do all proposed products meet all the minimum requirements laid out in the specifications document?

Required: Yes  Mandatory Response: No

Response Comments

Service Experience, Time in Business, Contracts

List the length of time respondent's company has been in business. A respondent must have occupied a bona fide place of business for at least one year with suitable equipment, supplies and a trained staff capable of performing the services requested.

List the description of services. Please enter the information for three (3) comparable contracts on-going or completed within the last two (2) years.

Comparable Contract
List Name/Address of Comparable Contract
List the Contact Person
List the Phone Number
List the Contact Person's Email Address

Required: Yes  Mandatory Response: No

Response Comments

Associated Terms:
A respondent must have occupied a bona fide place of business for at least one (1) year with suitable equipment, supplies and a trained staff capable of performing the services requested. A respondent must furnish satisfactory evidence of successful completion of comparable contracts for at least three (3) customers within the past two (2) years and any other evidence required and requested in order to establish evidence of its ability to provide services in accordance with the terms and conditions and specifications.
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Appendix B - Terms & Conditions

1. The undersigned acknowledges that all submitted information and documentation will become the property of the state of Tennessee. The undersigned also affirms that the information given above is true, accurate, and includes pertinent information necessary to identify and explain the operation of this organization to the best of my knowledge and is in no way misleading.

2. Should any data change in the future, the Supplier agrees to immediately submit the correct information electronically through the State's Supplier Portal.

   If the information will be submitted in writing please mail to the following address:

   Department of Finance and Administration
   312 Rosa L. Parks Ave.
   21st Floor Tennessee Tower
   ATTN: Supplier Maintenance
   Nashville, TN 37243

3. No person on the grounds of handicap or disability, age, race, color, religion, sex, national origin, creed, or any other classification protected by Federal and/or Tennessee State constitutional and/or statutory law shall be excluded from participation in, or denied benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination in the performance of the Contract or in the employment practices of the Contractor. The Contractor shall, upon request, show proof of such non-discrimination, and shall post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants, notices of non-discrimination.

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