

**RHODE ISLAND TURNPIKE AND BRIDGE AUTHORITY  
JAMESTOWN, RHODE ISLAND**

**NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS**

**CONTRACT 19-03  
NEWPORT/PELL BRIDGE  
PARTIAL DEPTH DECK REPLACEMENT EAST APPROACH 2E TO 22E  
FEBRUARY, 2019**

Proposals addressed to the Rhode Island Turnpike and Bridge Authority (Authority) for Contract No. 19-03 Newport/Pell Bridge Partial Depth Deck Replacement East Approach Spans 2E to 22E will be received by the Authority at One East Shore Road, Jamestown, Rhode Island 02835, until 4:00 PM on April 17, 2019. Please note that the bidder is responsible for verifying that Federal Express or other mail delivery can be received by the time noted.

This Contract shall consist of work performed on Newport/Pell Bridge. The work to be performed includes the following as outlined in the Contract Drawings and the Contract Specifications:

- 200,000 SF of partial depth hydro-demolition and replacement of the concrete roadway deck from curb to curb
- Full depth demolition and replacement of reinforced concrete joint headers and installation of new joint seals
- Localized full depth demolition and installation of shear studs
- Other miscellaneous repairs/work items

Work to be performed over a two year period, in four single lane construction stages. Long term lane closures will provide continuous access to work zone. Contractor shall maintain three lanes of traffic during morning and afternoon rush hours. During off peak daytime and nighttime hours Contractor will be permitted to utilize a single lane adjacent to the work zone for enhanced access while maintaining two lanes of traffic open. The Contractor shall maintain all maintenance and protection of traffic, including the changes and maintenance required to support the morning and afternoon rush hours. This contract will require expedited construction and full utilization of the full time provision of access to the work zone with all work completed by May 15, 2021.

Proposal form, Contract Drawings, Supplementary Specifications and other Contract Documents for the work are available in electronic format through the Rhode Island Turnpike and Bridge Authority. All Bidders must obtain Contract Documents directly from the Authority and Contract Documents are not transferrable. Prospective bidders must fill out and return to the Authority a Confidentiality Agreement before Contract Documents are made available. To receive the Confidentiality Agreement and arrange for obtaining electronic format Contract Documents please contact Marianne Durgin at [mdurgin@RITBA.org](mailto:mdurgin@RITBA.org) and copy Eric Offenberq at [eoffenberq@RITBA.org](mailto:eoffenberq@RITBA.org) and Debra Moolin at [debra.moolin@wsp.com](mailto:debra.moolin@wsp.com). Provide in the subject line the Contract Number and the name of your firm.

2004 Edition Amended March 2018 of State of Rhode Island Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction, with all amendments and supplements through September, 2018 are

cited within the Contract Documents and are available through the Rhode Island Department of Transportation website.

The proposal shall be submitted in hard copy format utilizing the forms included in the Contract Documents. Bidders shall submit two hard copies of the proposal to the Authority. Contract Documents are not transferable to other parties for bidding purposes.

Prospective bidders are notified that there is a mandatory Pre-Bid Meeting at which all bidders must have a representative in attendance. Prospective bidders or their representatives may not contact any employee of the Authority or WSP regarding this Contract from the date of advertisement through the bid date, except in writing. Questions or clarifications concerning the contract documents shall be submitted by e-mail to [debra.moolin@wsp.com](mailto:debra.moolin@wsp.com) and copied to [eoffenberg@ritba.org](mailto:eoffenberg@ritba.org) no later than 4:00 PM on March 11, 2019.

The Bidder's attention is directed to the fact that the Rhode Island Turnpike and Bridge Authority is soliciting bids from qualified contractors who shall assume the sole responsibility for the quality of materials and workmanship. Statement of Qualifications forms to be completed by each Bidder to enable the Authority to evaluate company and personnel experience, equipment and financial status must be attached to each Proposal.

For joint ventures (JV), all the parties comprising the joint venture shall complete the Statement of Qualifications individually and the JV shall enclose their partnership agreement with the bid. Financial statements of each party shall be submitted with the Statement of Qualifications. Also included shall be the listing of the personnel and their respective responsibilities in the JV. All other bid and Contract forms shall be executed by the JV. A mission or purpose statement indicating breakdown of work, if applicable, shall also be enclosed with the bid. The Authority shall consider the JV and its underlying parties and may evaluate against the JV, if it is in the best interest of the Authority. In such case, this may be a just cause of rejecting such a bid.

Failure of any Bidder to submit completed Statement of Qualifications forms with his Proposal may be a cause for rejection of their bid.

No change shall be made in the phraseology of the Proposal or in the items mentioned therein. Proposals that contain any omissions, erasures, alterations, additions or items not called for in the Proposal or that contain irregularities of any kind, may be rejected as not responsive.

A certified check payable to the Rhode Island Turnpike and Bridge Authority in an amount not less than ten (10) percent of the total amount of the bid price, or a bid bond not less than ten (10) percent of the total amount of the bid price, must accompany each Proposal as a guarantee that the Contract will be entered into, if awarded. Proposal guarantees will be returned after the Contract has been executed.

Each Proposal shall be addressed as previously given and delivered through the mail, or otherwise delivered to that address. Proposals, with accompanying check or bid bond, shall be enclosed in an opaque sealed envelope that will be suitably marked.

Any bond required under the provisions of this Contract and Proposal shall only be issued by and originate with an agent lawfully constituted, licensed and registered in the State of Rhode Island.

A Contract Performance Bond of one hundred (100) percent of the Contract price with a surety company that is satisfactory to the Authority will be required of the successful Bidder.

The Authority reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to waive any informality in bids received. The Authority will consider only those bids received from parties who have obtained contract documents directly from the Authority. Bids received from firms whose names are not recorded by the Authority as having secured documents for this Contract will be rejected.

The Authority intends to award the Contract, if an award is made, as soon as practicable after receipt and evaluation of bids. The Authority will not be obligated to make the award to the low bidder but may select the bidder it deems most qualified based on its review of the proposal materials. The successful Bidder shall execute and deliver the Contract and the required Contract Performance Bond and evidence of specified insurance coverage, upon receipt of Notice of Intent to Award. Notice to Proceed and execution of the Contract will be given upon approval of contractor's insurance and bonds; and Contractor shall start work within three (3) week days after receipt of Notice to Proceed but may not start the work before the required bonds and insurance policies have been submitted and approved, or as otherwise stated herein, and shall complete the work on or before the date indicated in the Proposal.

Contractors wishing to submit a proposal on this work are required to have a representative present at the prebid meeting to be held at 3:00 PM on March 4, 2019 at the RITBA offices at the Newport Bridge.

The Authority intends to adhere to the following schedule:

1. Drawings Available to Contractors – February 25, 2019
2. Mandatory Pre-Bid Meeting at 3:00 PM on March 4, 2019
3. Deadline for written questions by Contractors – 4:00 PM on March 11, 2019
4. Answers to Contractors Questions and any Addendum Distribution – Close of Business March 18, 2019
5. Receive proposals by 4:00 PM on April 17, 2019
6. Review and evaluate proposals with Notice of Intent to Award April 22, 2019
7. Contractor to submit required insurance and Contract Bond by April 23, 2019
8. Presentation of recommendation for award at May 1, 2019 Board Meeting.
9. Execute Contract and issue Notice to Proceed May 1, 2019
10. Contractor to start work on May 2, 2019
11. Contractor shall complete the work requiring long term lane closures on or before December 18, 2020 subject to incentives for early completion and penalties for late completion, and according to Contract Milestones
12. Contractor is provided additional contract schedule to allow deck sealing to be performed in Spring 2021 under daily/night/weekend lane closures.
13. Contractor shall complete all work on or before May 15, 2021 and according to Contract Milestones and subject to incentives and penalties as per Contract Documents.

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