## ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

University of Washington UW MV Electrical Upgrade, 207163 Date of Bid Opening: December 3, 2020 A/E's estimate: \$3,019,000

## NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS:

**Bid Submittal:** Sealed bids will be received by the University of Washington Facilities, Project Delivery Group, electronically.

**Bid Submittal:** The University of Washington is taking precautions to limit exposure and impacts related to COVID-19. To comply with the Governor's "Safe Start" plan, the requirement to submit a sealed bid is waived. Bids will be received by the University of Washington, Project Delivery Group, by email at <u>PDGbids@uw.edu</u>.

COVID option: Part I of the Bid Form will be received up to 2:00 p.m. on December 3, 2020, and Part II of the Bid Form will be received up to 3:00 p.m. on December 3, 2020 Bids will then be publicly opened and read aloud via Zoom Version 5.0 (required) <u>https://washington.zoom.us/j/92043515483</u> Bids received after the date and hour above stated will not receive consideration. Attendance in person is not allowed.

**Project Description:** The project includes the following work: The project includes the following work: The removal and disposal of three (3) PCB contaminated oil filled transformers in the Schmitz Hall (750KVA), Kristen Wind Tunnel (2500KVA), and Henderson Hall (500KVA). Schmitz Hall and Kristen Wind Tunnel will have new dry type transformers installed inside the building, and Henderson Hall will have a padmounted oil filled transformer outside the building. The project includes the replacement of medium voltage switches in Condon Hall (3 Switches), Bloedel Hall (3 Switches), Bagley Hall (3 Switches), Benson Hall (3 Switches), and The Art Building (3 Switches). The contractor shall receive the owner purchased MV switches, and handle and store the switches until installation of the switches in the UW buildings. Additionally, the project will replace approximately 7,100 linear feet of 500kcmail 15KV MV cable in Feeders WD8/WE8 between vault WT5 and CP3. The cable shall be replaced in the UW tunnels and in 10 vaults in the tunnel. The removal of the existing feeder will require the installation of various in-line splices and 600A dead break splices.

Bid Alternate #1: Project to replace approximately 2,800 linear feet of 500kcmil 15KV MV cable in Feeders WD8/WE8 between vault CP3 and CP7. The cable shall be replaced in the UW tunnels and in 5 vaults in the tunnel.

Bid Alternate #2: Remove and disposal of the PCB contaminated oil filled transformer in John Wallace Hall (1000KVA) and the installation of a new dry type 1000KVA transformer in the building.

All construction operations must comply with the most current Covid 19 related rules and guidance from the Governor's Office. All activities must also comply with all related and applicable requirements issued by the Washington State Department of Labor and Industries and Public Health Agencies having jurisdiction.

**Questions:** Questions about this project should be directed to:

A/E Name: Casne Engineering Inc Contact Person: Russel Jentges Phone Number: 425-629-2943

**Pre-Bid Site Meeting:** The Project site is available for inspection by prospective bidders at a pre-bid site meeting and walk-through at 1:00PM on November 17, 2020 at Henderson Hall. Access to the project site is restricted. This will be the only opportunity for bidders to visit the Project site.

**Bid Documents:** Bidders may obtain or access plans, specifications, and addenda for this project at <u>https://facilities.uw.edu/projects/business-opportunities/solicitations</u>. Contractors who would like to be included on the Planholder's list shall either attend a pre-bid meeting or request to be added by emailing <u>PDGbids@uw.edu</u>.

**Bid Guarantee:** A surety company bid bond on a form acceptable to Owner, a cashier's check or a certified check payable to the order of University of Washington, or cash, shall accompany each bid in an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the Base Bid. No bidder may withdraw its bid after the hour set for the opening thereof, unless the award of the contract is delayed for a period exceeding 60 days.

**Apprentice Utilization:** Mandatory apprentice utilization of at least 15% of the total labor hours worked on the contract is required. Apprentices must be registered as apprentices with the State Apprenticeship and Training Council. Bidders may contact the Department of Labor & Industries, Apprenticeship Program at 360-902-5320 to obtain information on apprenticeship programs. The Contract includes monetary incentives for meeting the goals, and monetary penalties for not meeting the goals.

**BUSINESS EQUITY:** The University of Washington is committed to providing optimal opportunity for participation in contracting by **Business Equity Enterprises (BEE)**. The University of Washington defines a **Business Equity Enterprise (BEE)** as "any entity licensed to do business in the State of Washington, including a corporation, partnership, sole proprietorship, or other legal entity that meets any of the following:" *Certified Business Enterprise (CBE): Any* business enterprise certified with the Washington State Office of Minority and Women's Business Enterprises.

*Lesbian/Gay/Bisexual/Transgender Business Enterprise (LGBTBE)*: More than 50% owned and controlled by at least one person who is a member of the LGBT community.

*Minority Business Enterprise (MBE)*: More than 50% owned and controlled by at least one person who is a member of one or more of the following minority groups:

- Asian Pacific American
- Black American
- Hispanic American
- Native American
- Subcontinent Asian American

*Minority Women's Business Enterprise (MWBE)*: More than 50% owned and controlled by at least one woman who is a member of one or more of the above minority groups.

Small Business Enterprise (SBE): A business entity that:

- Can attest that it is owned and operated independently from all other businesses and
- Conforms to the U.S. Small Business Administration Size Standards of the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) Codes in which it is to be engaged at the UW; <u>or</u>
- Is certified with the OMWBE.

*Veteran's Business Enterprise (VBE)*: Certified with the Washington State Department of Veteran's Affairs (DVA) *Women's Business Enterprise (WBE)*: More than 50% owned and controlled by one or more women.

The University of Washington has determined that an overall aspirational goal of 20% Business Equity Enterprise (BEE) utilization, inclusive of 15% minority and women-owned business utilization, is practicable and attainable on this construction project; that goal is negotiable based upon the specialized nature of the work and the relative availability of BEE to perform the specific work scopes identified in this project. The University of Washington welcomes the participation of all BEE, irrespective of gross revenues, including those that are self-designated and those that are state (OMWBE) certified. Participation may be on a direct basis in response to this invitation to bid, or as a subcontractor or supplier.

**Safety Plans:** Prior to the issuance of the Notice to Proceed, the Contractor will be required to submit to the Owner a copy of its company safety program. See Modifications to the General Conditions, Part 5 for details.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive as an informality any irregularities in the bids received.

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