

**ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS**

Sealed bids will be received for the State of Louisiana by the Division of Administration and shall be directed to the Office of Facility Planning and Control, 1201 North Third Street, Claiborne Office Building, Suite 7-160, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, 70802 or P.O. Box 94095, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, 70804-9095. The deadline for receipt of bids is 2:00 PM on **Wednesday, May 08, 2024**, at which time bids will be opened and read aloud in a public meeting in the Claiborne Office Building, Conference Room 1-145.

ANY PERSON REQUIRING SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS SHALL NOTIFY FACILITY PLANNING AND CONTROL OF THE TYPE(S) OF ACCOMMODATION REQUIRED NOT LESS THAN SEVEN (7) DAYS BEFORE THE BID OPENING.

FOR:                   **Cooling Tower Replacement  
Agriculture and Forestry Headquarters  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana**  
PROJECT NUMBER: **01-107-18-02, F.01004509**

Complete Bidding Documents for this project are available in electronic form. They may be obtained without charge and without deposit from **www.centerlinebidconnect.com**. Printed copies are not available from the Designer but arrangements can be made to obtain them through most reprographic firms. Plan holders are responsible for their own reproduction costs.

Questions about this procedure shall be directed to the Designer at:

**Thompson Luke & Associates, LLC  
10705 Rieger Road, Suite 101  
Baton Rouge, LA 70809  
Telephone: 225-293-9474  
E-mail: office@tlaeng.com**

All bids shall be accompanied by bid security in an amount of five percent (5.0%) of the sum of the base bid and all alternates. The form of this security shall be as stated in the Instructions to Bidders included in the Bid Documents for this project.

The successful Bidder shall be required to furnish a Performance and Payment Bond written as described in the Instructions to Bidders included in the Bid Documents for this project.

**A PRE-BID CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD  
at 2:00 PM on Tuesday, April 23, 2024 at Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry,  
Main Office, 5825 Florida Blvd., Baton Rouge, LA 70806.**

Bids shall be accepted from Contractors who are licensed under LA. R.S. 37:2150-2192 for the classification of **Mechanical**. Bidder is required to comply with provisions and requirements of LA R.S. 38:2212(B)(5). No bid may be withdrawn for a period of forty-five (45) days after receipt of bids, except under the provisions of LA. R.S. 38:2214.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids for just cause. In accordance with La. R.S. 38:2212(B)(1), the provisions and requirements of this Section and those stated in the bidding documents shall not be waived by any entity.

When this project is financed either partially or entirely with State Bonds or financed in whole or in part by federal or other funds which are not readily available at the time bids are received, the award of this Contract is contingent upon the granting of lines of credit, or the sale of bonds by the Bond Commission or the availability of federal or other funds. The State shall incur no obligation to the Contractor until the Contract Between Owner and Contractor is fully executed.

Facility Planning and Control is a participant in the Small Entrepreneurship (SE) Program (the Hudson Initiative) and the Veteran-Owned and Service-Connected Disabled Veteran-Owned (LaVet) Small Entrepreneurships Program. Bidders are encouraged to consider participation. Information is available from the Office of Facility Planning and Control or on its website at <https://www.doa.la.gov/da/fpc/>.

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DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATION  
FACILITY PLANNING AND CONTROL  
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