

Bridgeport Port Authority
330 Water Street
Bridgeport, CT 06604

Request for Qualifications
Construction Engineering, Project Inspection and Contract Administration Services
Initially Offered October 30, 2008

ADDENDUM No. 2
Dated December 1, 2008

Bidders submitting qualifications for the above project are hereby informed that the RFQ for the above project is modified, corrected, and supplemented as follows and that Addendum No. 2 becomes a part of the RFQ and consists of the following items;

1. Question – What is the anticipated start date and duration for construction?

Answer: The estimated project start date will be within a reasonable period from the Bridgeport Port Authority's receipt of all necessary permits and approvals, receipt of complete project funding, completion of a public bid, selection and award to a qualified firm as determined by the Bridgeport Port Authority, and within any activity windows as prescribed under permits. The construction period is estimated to be approximately 12 months.

2. What is the Bridgeport Port Authority's desired frequency of site visits/inspections?

Answer: Site visits and inspections are expected to be daily, as construction activities take place.

3. Project related documents, in either draft, pending or finalized form, will be available for review by Prospective Bidders at the offices of the Bridgeport Port Authority beginning November 25, 2008, by appointment only. Please contact the Bridgeport Port Authority at (203)384-9777 to set up an appointment; copies of specific documents may be provided to Bidders at Bidder's cost which will be dependent on the type and volume of items requested.

4. GZA is noted to have developed the Partial Final Report and the Remedial Action Plan. What role will GZA have in this project?

Answer: GZA is not expected to have any specific role in the project; however no firms are excluded from bidding on the work.

5. Does the approved Remedial Action Plan allow for the onsite reuse of the entire expected quantity of soil and sediment to be removed?

Answer: Yes

6. Who will be responsible for the identification of “potentially contaminated soils” and clean soils?

Answer: The consultant hired pursuant to this RFP.

7. What is expected for “Environmental Coordination”?

Answer: The consultant will be required to assure that all aspects of the RAP and any environmental permits issued for the work are adhered to during construction.

8. What is the nature of the current ELUR and what modifications are anticipated by the current project LEP?

Answer: The ELUR applies to areas of the site where environmental remediation has been completed. Portions of those areas will be disturbed during the proposed work and additional areas will be added to the ELUR when construction is completed.

9. Will the selected consultant simply oversee environmental activities or will the selected consultant also be performing the environmental activities?

Answer: The selected consultant will supply field supervision of the environmental activities to be completed by the contractor.

10. Relocation of contaminated or potentially contaminated soils/sediments may require modifications to the existing Remedial Action Plan. Are those modifications part of the requested scope of services?

Answer: Modifications to the RAP are not anticipated.

11. Can the site plans and RAP be viewed at the BPA offices or can we purchase a copy for review.

Answer: Copies of the RAP and other pertinent information can be viewed at the BPA offices. Copies of specifications for previously completed work at the site, which is expected to be similar in scope to the proposed work, are also available for review at the BPA offices.

12. Are as-builts to be red-lined on the construction drawings or will post construction survey be required? Would post construction survey include hydrography to ensure that desired dredge depths are achieved?

Answer: As built surveys and hydrographic mapping of the dredged areas will be required.

13. Is the necessary Structures, Dredge and Fill Permit from DEP OLISP in place? Is the necessary ACOE permit in place?

Answer: Permit applications have been submitted and are currently under review.

14. Should the inspector possess NICET certification?

Answer: Not necessary – The consultant will be required to be a licensed State of CT engineer.

15. What are the on-site materials testing requirements? Compaction of materials? Concrete Testing?

Answer: Typical testing requirements are available from draft specifications for the work, available for review at BPA offices. The consultant will be responsible for assembling the specifications for this work as part of the services to be provided.

16. What is the anticipated construction budget?

Answer: On the order of \$2,000,000

17. What is the funding source for this project?

Answer: Potential funding sources are the State of CT Department of Economic and Community Development and private funding.

18. The scope indicates that designs and permit applications for the project have been completed by several consulting firms. As these firms have access to some or all of the information enumerated in Attachment A of the scope of services, it is presumed that their knowledge of the project requirements is greater than that of firms that have not been involved in the design. Can you please confirm whether or not the firms mentioned in Attachment A will be precluded from participation in this solicitation?

Answer: No firms will be precluded from bidding on this contract.

19. Item 2 of the scope of work indicates that the “Consultant shall work with the BPA and the project design engineers to develop detailed construction specifications for the work”. It is our opinion that having the project engineer responsible for preparing specifications may cloud the matter of who is the engineer of record for the project. In addition, given that the consultant will be expected to work with the design engineer to prepare the specifications, it is unclear as to how the costs for this task should be allocated between the parties. As such, our recommended approach would be to have the consultant responsible for reviewing the specifications and incorporating the completed specifications into the bid packages as noted in item 3 of the scope, but have responsibility for preparation of the specifications rest with the design engineers. Please confirm if this approach can be adopted.

Answer: The specifications and design of the proposed bulkheading and concrete paving will have been prepared and those shall be provided to the consultant for incorporation into the bid packages. The design engineers will be available to the consultant to clarify the designs and or specifications as may be needed.

20. Given the requirement for a price proposal, we have identified several areas within the scope of services that are open to interpretation and therefore may lead to differing assumptions on pricing between proposers. In order to allow for a uniform basis for pricing, can BPA provide guidance on the following items:

- a) Item 3 of the scope of services indicates that the “consultant will assemble all engineering design drawings; develop additional plans and drawings as needed to incorporate the engineering designs into a comprehensive bid package...” As we have not seen the designs prepared to date, we are not able to estimate the level of effort required to complete the designs or address unforeseen conditions. As such, our recommended approach would be to have assembly of the bid packages as part of the base proposal, but to consider design services (ie additional plans and drawings) as outside the base proposal. Please confirm if this approach can be adopted.

Answer: The fee paid to the Project Engineering firm will be based on a Cost-Not-To-Exceed basis. Examples of previous bid packages prepared for similar work completed at the project site, and which shall serve as the basis for the work are available for review at the BPA offices. Engineering designs for the proposed work are also available for review.

- b) Item 8 of the scope of services calls for weekly progress meetings with the contractor and site visits and inspections during construction. Can BPA provide guidance as to the anticipated duration of construction and the desired frequency of site visits or inspections?

Answer: During the progress of the work, site visits will be required daily. During soil removal and or dredging, site inspections will be continuous.

- c) Item 11 of the scope of services calls for representing the BPA on required permitting activities and following up on permit applications. Given the uncertainties associated with regulatory permitting, the level of effort for these tasks can vary widely depending on the current state of the permit applications. Can BPA provide a budgetary allowance to be included in the consultant’s proposal for these activities?

Answer: All permits for dredging and bulkheading will be obtained prior to the start of work.

21. The RFQ states the DBE goal is 15%; what qualifies a company to be a DBE?

Answer: The Bridgeport Port Authority relies on certified vendors/contractors in good standing as reported on the current Certified DBE Listing provided by the State of Connecticut, Department of Transportation (prepared by the Office of Contract Compliance) or on the Certified SBE/MBE vendors list provided by the State of Connecticut, Department of Administrative Services, as a guide of recognized DBE companies and enterprises.