



Information Item No.1

Date of Information Item No.1: December 04, 2023

**Arlington Public Schools
Procurement Office**

Invitation to Bid 45FY24

Invitation to Bid Title: Installation of the Replacement HVAC/Dehumidifier Pool Unit for Wakefield High School

Invitation to Bid Number: 45FY24

Invitation to Bid Issue Date: November 16, 2023

Pre-Bid Conference: November 21, 2023, at 11:00 A.M (Refer to Invitation Title Page 2)

Bid Closing Date/Time: ~~December 05~~ **December 18**, 2023, No Later Than 11:59 P.M. (Local Prevailing Time)

Bid Opening Date/Time: ~~December 06~~ **December 19**, 2023, at 10:00 A.M. (Local Prevailing Time)

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- The following information is provided to help Bidders submit a Bid in response to ITB No. 45FY24:

Q1. Will you accept Bids to be submitted via email or at the Syphax Education Center by mail, express mail, in person, or by courier?

A1. No, Bidders must submit mandatory requirements found in the Instruction to Bidders, Section 27.1 of the ITB, into the Platform through the link found on the Current Solicitations webpage under the Procurement Office website. Found under the Due Date column for ITB 45FY24 of the Current Solicitations table is a link for Bidders to submit their Bid. (“Link to submit Bid – ITB 45FY24”). To assist Bidders with their Bid submission, screenshots of the steps required to submit a Bid are provided in ITB.

- Q2.** What documents must be submitted with the Bids?
A2. The **Class 1 Mandatory Requirements** in Section 27.1 of Instruction to Bidders must be submitted with your Bids. Failure to provide any of them with your Bid will result in the Bid being considered non-responsive and not being considered for Contract award.
- Q3.** Are the Class 2 Mandatory Requirements required to be submitted with the Bids?
A3. Class 2 Mandatory Requirements should accompany your Bid, but if omitted the Bidder may be given the opportunity to supplement its Bid in accordance with **Section 27.3 of Instructions to Bidders**.
- Q4.** Is it Mandatory to enter a price for each Item?
A4. Yes. A price must be entered for each item to be considered for award.
- Q5.** Other than your website, where is the ITB posted?
A5. The Invitation to Bid (ITB) is posted on the eVA website. The link to the ITB on the eVA website is as follows: [Link to the ITB for Installation of the Replacement HVAC/Dehumidifier Pool Unit for Wakefield High School](#)
- Q6.** Who is the Controls Contractor?
A6. Automated Logic Contracting Services, Inc.
- Q7.** Does the roof have a warranty?
A7. The roofing is under a “John Manesville” warranty.
- Q8.** What are the working hours?
A8. The pool block will be closed, the normal hours would be 6:00 AM - 2:30 PM, but with evenings and weekends available for accelerated completion.
- Q9.** Is the breaker and feeder for breakers going to be replaced?
A9. Please refer to Electrical drawings for a clear scope.
- Q10.** What is the 30 AMP breaker for?
A10. Please refer to Electrical drawings for a clear scope.
- Q11.** What is the weight of the new unit? What is the weight of the old unit? Are the weights comparable?
A11. They are comparable. New PDU unit is 22,000 lbs. New CU unit is 3,600 lbs.
- Q12.** Where are the breakers?
A12. Please refer to Electrical drawings for a clear scope.
- Q13.** Will the school be open during the installation, will there be students?
A13. Likely yes but pool block will be closed.
- Q14.** Who is in charge of breaking walls or opening holes in walls in order to do installation? Is that the bidder’s responsibility?
A14. It will be the responsibility of the bidder.
- Q15.** Do you have a plan holders list of the GCs that might bid on this project?
A15. No. A copy of Pre-Bid Conference attendance sheet is provided.

Q16. Where can I find the drawing to the ITB?

A16. The drawings are in Appendix 3 at the end of the ITB document (pages 113-120).

Q17. During our site visit we realized that the existing conduit may run inside of the walls from the basement to the roof. The plan is to remove the existing conduit. The new conduit is to be installed in the same location as the old one. Can the new conduit be installed on the surface of a wall or does the wall need to be opened to install the new conduit?

A17. There are no issues to run exposed conduit INSIDE storage room, where it is NOT accessible to the public.

Q18. The new unit has 2 gas connections on opposite sides of the unit. Will two new regulators and shut-off valves be required?

A18. Single regulator should be adequate.

Q19. Does the ITB require DPOR Classification Electrical Contractors (ELE)?

A19. Yes, Refer to Addendum No. 1. modified Instructions to Bidders and Bid Form.

Q20. Drawings indicate condenser piping to be 3” threaded steel. Can we use Victaulic fittings in lieu of threaded fittings?

A20. Victaulic fitting is acceptable.

Q21. When are the Bid Closing and Bid Opening dates?

A21. Refer to Addendum No. 1. modified **Bid** Closing is Monday December 18, 2023. and revised Bid Opening is Tuesday, December 19, 2023.

Q22. What is the Pricing Breakdown for Total Bid?

A22. Refer to Addendum No. 1 modified Bid Form See

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