

## NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed bids will be received by Lower Cape May Regional School District at the Administration Building located at 687 Route 9, Cape May, New Jersey 08204 until 3:00 P.M. local time on Thursday, September 15, 2022 and will be publicly opened and read immediately thereafter, at said place for the Lower Cape May Regional High School and Richard M. Teitelman Middle School 2023 HVAC Replacement.

It is expressly understood that the bidder is responsible for getting the bid proposals to the Business Administrator prior to the time and date set for the bid opening. Any bid received after the closing time will be returned unopened. In order to be considered, bids must be sealed, with the outer envelope clearly marked with the name of the bidder and the following: Lower Cape May Regional High School and Richard M. Teitelman Middle School 2023 HVAC Replacement.

The bidders are requested to submit, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-18(b)(2), one Lump Sum Bid for all the work and materials. Bidders and/or their Prime Subcontractors must be pre-qualified by the New Jersey Department of Treasury, Division of Property Management and Construction (DPMC) in each of the following categories, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-26 et seq.: C008 – General Construction or C009 General Construction / Alterations and Additions; C029 – Structural Steel and Ornamental Iron; C032 – HVACR; C030 – Plumbing; and C047 – Electrical. The Bidder and named Prime Subcontractors listed must be pre-qualified prior to the date that bids are received.

Electronic Copies of the Bid Documents may be obtained by contacting Garrison Architects via email at [jangelo@garrisonarch.com](mailto:jangelo@garrisonarch.com) There is no charge for obtaining an electronic copy of the Bid Documents.

Proposals must be accompanied by a certified check, bank cashier's check, treasurer's check or Bid Bond in the form provided in the Contract Documents, with corporate surety satisfactory to the Owner, in an amount of 10% of the Base Bid (but in no case in excess of \$20,000.00, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-24), naming as payee or obligee, as applicable, **Lower Cape May Regional School District**, to be retained and applied by the undersigned as provided in the Contract Documents in case the successful bidder defaults in executing the Agreement or furnishing the bonds and insurance certificates as required by the Contract Documents.

Prospective bidders are advised that this Project is one which will be subject to and will be governed by provisions of New Jersey State Law governing (a) Prequalification of Bidders N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-26 et seq.; (b) Prevailing Wage Rates N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.27; (c) Use of Domestic Materials, N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-20 including any amendments and supplements thereto; (d) Ownership Disclosure Certification N.J.S.A. 52:25-24.2; and (e) disclosure of investment activities in Iran, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-49.4 in accordance with to N.J.S.A. 52:32-57, et seq. (P.L. 2012, c.25 and P.L. 2021, c.4).

The Public Works Contractor Registration Act N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.48 et seq. requires that the Contractor and Subcontractors must be registered at the time of Bid. The Owner is requesting that copies of the Certificates be included in the Contractor's Bid Package. Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:32-44 all business organizations that do business with a local contracting agency are required to be registered with the State and provide proof of their Registration with the New Jersey Department of Treasury, Division of Revenue before the contracting agency may enter into a contract with the business. In addition, and pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-25, each bid must be accompanied by a certificate from a surety company stating it will provide said bidder with a bond in such sum as required by the above referenced statute.

No bid may be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) days after the dates set for the opening thereof. The right is reserved to reject all bids pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-22 or to waive minor informalities or non-material exceptions. Bidders are required to comply with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 17:27 et seq.

The Board of Education recognizes its obligation as it pertains to the Stevens Amendment, Section 8136 of the Department of Defense Appropriations Act (P.L. 104-134, Sec.507) which requires the board of education to state clearly the percent of the total cost of this project which will be financed through funds provided under the American Rescue Plan Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund (ARP ESSER) and CRRSA ESSER II. The Board anticipates that approximately \$ 1,748,544.00, representing approximately 15% of the estimated total cost of the HVAC Replacement Project, will be financed with Federal Funds. In addition to the legal requirements set forth herein, this project is subject to numerous requirements for federally funded contracts, which are set forth in greater detail in the Bid Documents. Contractors will be obligated to adhere to both New Jersey and federal law, and to abide by the more stringent law wherever there is conflicting authority.

The Time Schedule for the project is as follows:

<b>Monday</b>	<b>08/15/22</b>	Bid packages available via Electronic Delivery
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>08/18/22</b>	Pre-bid meeting at 3:00 P.M. at the Lower Cape May Regional School District, Administration Building, 687 Route 9, Cape May, NJ 08204. Attendance at the Pre-Bid meeting is not mandatory, but strongly recommended.
<b>Friday</b>	<b>09/02/22</b>	Deadline for Questions at 5:00 P.M. (email to <a href="mailto:jangelo@garrisonarch.com">jangelo@garrisonarch.com</a> )
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>09/06/22</b>	Addendum Emailed to Bidders, if necessary
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>09/15/22</b>	Bids Due at 3:00 P.M. at Lower Cape May Regional School District, Administration Building, 687 Route 9, Cape May, NJ 08204.

By Order of the Lower Cape May Regional School District  
Mark Mallett, School Business Administrator / Board Secretary