SECTION 00090 ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

STORAGE YARD Project No. RR2104

HANCOCK COUNTY PORT & HARBOR COMMISSION

Electronic or sealed Bids for construction of **Storage Yard – Project No. RR2104** will be received by the Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission, located at 14054 Fred & Al Key Road, Kiln, Mississippi 39556, until **2:00 P.M., Local Time, September 29, 2023**, then bids will be publicly opened and read. Any bids received after the time and date specified will not be considered and will be returned.

All bids must be addressed to the HANCOCK COUNTY PORT & HARBOR COMMISSION of Hancock County, Mississippi; marked "SEALED BID TO OPENED AT **2:00 P.M., September 29, 2023**", and specify the name of the bid project. If bid is submitted by mail, the address of the Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission is "14054 Fred & Al Key Road, Kiln, MS 39556". If bid is hand-delivered, the street address of the Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission is"14054 Fred & Al Key Road, Kiln, MS 39556".

When bids are submitted electronically, the same requirements for submitting sealed bids shall apply. Electronic bids shall be submitted online at <u>www.portairspacework.com</u> and shall include a document on the first page stating the same language required on the face of the sealed envelope.

A pre-bid meeting for this project will be held on Tuesday, September 19, 2023, at 10:00 A.M., Local Time at the Port Bienville Industrial Park, David M. McDonald Training Center, 3060 Port and Harbor Drive, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520. All perspective Bidders are invited to attend.

The project generally consists of:

Rail storage yard at the Port Bienville Industrial Park. Project adds a rail sidetrack and storage yard track ladders to an existing rail line. Work includes site grading; selective demolition; drainage, including precast concrete box culvert under the new and existing rail; stone access road, ballast and subballast; and track construction.

The above general outline of features of the work does not in any way limit the responsibility of the Contractor to perform all work and furnish all plant, labor, equipment, and materials required by the specifications and the drawings referred to therein.

The Contractor will commence the work required by the CONTRACT DOCUMENTS within 10 calendar days after the date of the NOTICE TO PROCEED and Final Completion of the project will be obtained within **195 working days** of the NOTICE TO PROCEED date unless the period for completion is extended otherwise by the CONTRACT DOCUMENTS.

Bidder must be qualified under Mississippi Law and show current Certificate of Responsibility issued by the Mississippi State Board of Public Contractors establishing its classification as to the value and type of construction on which it is authorized to bid. Contractors submitting a written sealed bid must write their current Mississippi Certificate of Responsibility Number on the outside of the sealed envelope containing their Bid as well as on their Bid. If the Bid is being submitted electronically through the Online Plan Room, the Mississippi Certificate of Responsibility Number must be included on the cover page and profile of the electronic bid submittal.

Proposals shall be submitted in duplicate, sealed and deposited with the Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission prior to the hour and date hereinbefore designated. No bidder may withdraw its bid within 60 days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

Each Bidder must deposit with his proposal, a Bid Bond in an amount equal to 5% (five) percent of its bid, payable

to the Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission, as bid security. The successful bidder will be required to furnish a Payment Bond and Performance Bond each in the amount of 100 percent of the contract amount.

Contract Drawings, Contract Specifications, Instructions to Bidders and Bidders Proposal forms are on file and open to public inspection in the office of the Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission, 14054 Fred & Al Key Road, Kiln, Mississippi. Bid documents are being made available via paper or digital copy. All interested bidders are required to log-in or register for an account at <u>www.portairspacework.com</u> to view and order Bid Documents. <u>All</u> plan holders are required to have a valid email address for registration. Bid documents are non-refundable and must be purchased through this website. Questions regarding website registration and online orders should be directed to Plan House Printing at (228) 248-0181. Any questions that bidders might have should be directed to Neel-Schaffer, Inc., 3036 Longfellow Drive, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520 to the attention of Alex Davis or via email at <u>alex.davis@neel-schaffer.com</u>.

Minority and women's business enterprises are solicited to bid on this contract as prime contractors and are encouraged to make inquiries regarding potential subcontracting opportunities, equipment, materials and/or supply needs.

The Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission hereby notifies all Bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged and women's business enterprises will be afforded the full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in consideration for an award.

The Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any informalities or irregularities therein.

By:

Blaine LaFontaine, Executive Director/CEO Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission

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