

INVITATION FOR BIDS

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission at 706 Highway 90, Waveland, Mississippi 39576, until **2:00 pm**, local time, on the day of **Thursday, March 17, 2016**, and shall cause the bids received to be publicly opened and read aloud for the following project:

*LOWER BAY ROAD RAILROAD SIGNALS
FOR
ROAD CROSSINGS 747T AND 748A
HANCOCK COUNTY PORT AND HARBOR COMMISSION
PORT BIENVILLE INDUSTRIAL PARK
HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
PICKERING FIRM, INC. PROJECT NO. 24501.00*

The Work included in the Contract shall consist primarily of the following approximate items:

- Provide and Install Railroad Crossing Signals on Lower Bay Road at road crossings 747T and 748A

Copies of the contract documents, including Drawings and Technical Specifications, are on file and may be examined without charge at the office of the Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission or at the following office of the Engineer:

Pickering Firm, Inc.
126 Rue Magnolia
Biloxi, Mississippi 39530

Hard Copies and Electronic Copies of the contract documents may be obtained through the following location:

Pickering Firm, Inc.	Contact: Frank Parker, P.E.
126 Rue Magnolia	Phone: 228-432-5925
Biloxi, Mississippi 39530	Email: fparker@pickeringfirm.com

Bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope on forms either purchased by bidder (hard copies, not required to be purchased by Bidder for bidding) or obtained electronically (required bid forms must be printed out by Bidder) from the Engineer. If Bidder elects to purchase hard copies of the contract documents, those documents may be purchased upon payment of \$200.00 (checks only) for each set, which is non-refundable. No contract documents (hard copies or electronic copies) will be issued to Contractors within twenty-four (24) hours of the time indicated above for receiving bids.

The maximum allowable number of consecutive calendar days for the completion of Work (the Contract Time) is set forth in the Bid Proposal and will be included in the executed Agreement. The project will be subject to liquidated damages in the amount of THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$300.00) per consecutive calendar day for each day in default after the stipulated completion date. The contract time will begin when the Contractor commences work on this project but no later than the tenth consecutive calendar day after receipt of a notice to proceed from the Owner.

Bids submitted shall be in letter form in a sealed envelope and outside of envelope shall be marked plainly LOWER BAY ROAD RAILROAD SIGNALS FOR ROAD CROSSINGS 747T AND 748A, PORT BIENVILLE INDUSTRIAL PARK and shall be addressed to Susan Veglia, CAO, HANCOCK COUNTY PORT AND HARBOR COMMISSION, 706 Highway 90, Waveland, Mississippi 39576. Each bidder shall write his Name, his Address, and his Certificate of Responsibility number, when applicable, on the outside of the sealed envelope containing his proposal. All interpretations of drawings and specifications shall be directed to Pickering Firm, Inc. An acknowledged received copy of all Addenda issued by the Engineer must be included with the bid proposal. Bids must be submitted upon the standard forms contained within these contract documents furnished by the Engineer for Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission noted in the Instructions to Bidders.

The Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any informality in the bidding. Bids may be held by the Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission, Waveland, Mississippi for a period not to exceed sixty (60) days from the date of the opening of bids for the purpose of reviewing the bids and investigating the qualifications of Bidders, prior to awarding of the contract.

Each bid must be accompanied by a Bid Bond or Certified Check in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of his Base Bid, payable to the Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission, Waveland, Mississippi, as bid security. The successful bidder shall furnish a Performance Bond and a Payment Bond each in the amount of 100% of the bid.

Bidders must comply completely with FHWA-1273, "Required Contract Provisions; Federal-Aid Construction Contracts". Note: FHWA-1273 also contains Executive Order 11246 and Title VI of Civil Rights Act of 1964 regarding Nondiscrimination, Non-segregated facilities clauses, and the Davis Bacon Act regarding Wage Rates and Weekly Payrolls. **HOWEVER, THE DAVIS BACON ACT REGARDING WAGE RATES AND WEEKLY PAYROLLS WILL NOT APPLY TO THIS PROJECT.**

Minority and women's business enterprises are solicited to bid on this contract as prime contractors and encouraged to make inquiries regarding potential subcontracting opportunities, equipment, material and 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, minority 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 project is funded, in whole or in part, with both State and Federal funds through the Mississippi Department of Transportation and the Mississippi Development Authority. The Enterprise awarded this contract shall comply with all of the requirements pertaining to the use of these funds, including participation in the Federal E-Verify compliance with the Mississippi Employment Protection Act.

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Sherri Carr Bevis, Secretary
Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission

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