**SECTION A**

**INVITATION TO BID**

Sealed bids will be received by the Gulfport-Biloxi Regional Airport Authority (herein called “GBRAA” or the “Owner”) in the Office of Executive Director, 3rd floor, Passenger Terminal Bldg., Gulfport-Biloxi International Airport, 14035-L Airport Road, Gulfport, MS 39503, until **2:30 o’clock PM local time, Friday, June 23, 2017** and then in the GBRAA conference room on the 3rd floor, Passenger Terminal Bldg., Gulfport, MS shortly thereafter publicly opened for:

Construction consisting of the replacement of the access control system hardware, including but not limited to the following: ACS cabling, card readers, ACS door devices, ACS electronics, card reader modules, input/output modules, and power supplies. Work shall include coordination with the software integrator selected in a separate ACS/IDMS Software Enhancement bid package. This project will follow TSA Sensitive Security Information (SSI) protocol for handling bid documents.

The attention of bidders is directed to the Contract Provisions governing selection and employment of labor. Minimum wage rates have been predetermined by the Secretary of Labor and are subject to Public Law 87-58-1, Work Hours Act of 1962, as set forth in the Contract Provisions.

The Owner hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, religion or national origin in consideration for an award.

The award of this contract will be contingent upon the Contractor satisfying the DBE requirements. The DBE participation goal for this contract is 12.66%. The bidder (proposer) will be required to submit in-formation concerning the DBE’s that will participate in this contract (subcontract). The information will include the name and address of each DBE, a description of the work to be performed by each named firm, and the dollar value of the contract (subcontract). If the bidder fails to achieve the contract goal as stated herein, the bidder must include documentation demonstrating that it made good faith efforts in attempting to do so. A bid that fails to meet these requirements will be considered non-responsive.

Bidding and Contract Documents may be purchased per the following SSI procedure:

1. Contact The Alliance Architects, Minnesota, P.A., 400 Clifton Avenue, Minneapolis, MN 55403, 612-874-4124 to the attention of Jens Vange, Project Manager or via email at jvange@alliiance.us to request the Non-disclosure Agreement (NDA), which includes SSI compliance requirements. These documents will be emailed to the requestor.
2. Return signed NDA and payment of the non-refundable fee of $250.00 per set for printing and shipping fees. Make fee checks payable to: “The Alliance Architect, Minnesota, P.A.” Bidding and Contract Documents will be sent overnight upon payment.

ALL BIDDERS must be properly licensed contractors at the time of submitting bids in accordance with the provisions of the State of Mississippi and must indicate their current Mississippi Certificate of Responsibility number on the outside of the sealed envelope containing their Bid, and on their Bid.

In order to be considered, a bid for ACS Replacement must be sealed, and have clearly written on the face of the envelope the following: **“Sealed bid enclosed for Gulfport-Biloxi Regional Airport Authority ACS Replacement to be opened 2:30 PM, June 23, 2017”**

An informational pre-bid conference will be held **on Wednesday, June 7, 2017 at 10:30 a.m**. at the Gulfport-Biloxi International Airport Terminal Building, 3rd Floor Conference Room to review the project and answer contractor questions.

Any questions that bidders might have should be directed to:

The Alliance Architects, Minnesota, P.A., 400 Clifton Ave, Minneapolis, MN 55403, 612-874-4124 to the attention of Jens Vange, Project Manager or via email at jvange@alliiance.us.

Bid bond, signed or countersigned by a Mississippi Resident Agent, with Power of Attorney attached, a Cashier’s check or certified check for five (5%) percent of bid, payable to the Owner, must accompany each proposal.

The attention of bidders is directed to the provisions of the various sections of the

Project Manual pertaining to irregular proposals and rejection of bids.

This contract is subject to certain federal provisions including but not limited to the following;

Title 49 United States Code, 49 U.S.C. Section 50101-Buy American Preferences;

DOT Regulation 49 CFR Part 30-Foreign Trade Restriction;

DOL Regulation 29 CFR Part 5-Davis Bacon Act;

Executive Order 11246 and DOL Regulation 41 CFR Part 60-Affirmative Action

Regulation 2 CFR 180-Government Wide Debarment and Suspension; and

Title 41 United States Code, 41 U.S.C. section 8102-Drug Free Workplace

DATE: May 18, 2017

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BY: Clay Williams.

FOR: Gulfport-Biloxi Regional Airport Authority

TITLE: Executive Director

ADVERTISEMENT DATES: May 18, 2017

May 25, 2017

BID OPENING: Friday, June 23, 2017 at 2:30 p.m.

**END OF SECTION A**