

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed Bids, in duplicate, will be received by The University of Southern Mississippi Physical Plant Division until 2:00 P.M., local time, on January 29, 2015 at The University of Southern Mississippi, Physical Plant Department Conference Room, at the Gulf Park Campus, Long Beach, Mississippi at which time and place they will be publicly opened and read for the following project:

COLLEGE OF HEALTH - 2<sup>nd</sup> FLOOR  
THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI  
GULF PARK - LONG BEACH, MISSISSIPPI

in accordance with plans and specifications prepared by:

Allred Architectural Group, PA  
628 Washington Avenue-Suite C  
Ocean Springs, Mississippi 39564

Plans and specifications are now on file and may be examined or obtained from the Office of Allred Architectural Group, 628 Washington Avenue - Suite C, Ocean Springs, MS 39564, upon deposit of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) for each set of bid documents, to be refunded upon return of each set in good condition within fourteen (14) days after opening of bids.

Proposals shall be submitted on the blank bid form furnished with the specifications and must be accompanied by bid security in the form of Certified Check, Cashier's Check or acceptable Bid Bond, payable to The University of Southern Mississippi in amount equal to at least five percent (5%) of the base bid; such security to be forfeited as liquidated damages, not penalty, by any bidder who may be awarded the contract but who fails to carry out the terms of the proposal, execute the contract and post performance bond in the form and amount within the time specified. Bids shall not be modified on the exterior of the sealed envelope.

All bids submitted in excess of \$50,000.00 by a prime or subcontractor to do any erection, building, construction, repair, maintenance or related work, must comply with Section 31-3-21, Mississippi Code of 1972, by having a current Certificate of Responsibility from the State Board of Public Contractors. The current Certificate of Responsibility Number shall be indicated on the exterior of the sealed bid envelope before it can be opened.

In the letting of public contracts in the State of Mississippi, preference shall be given to resident contractors, and a non-resident bidder domiciled in a state having laws granting preference to local contractors shall be awarded Mississippi public contracts only on the same basis as the non-resident bidder's state awards contracts to Mississippi contractors bidding under similar circumstances; and resident contractors actually domiciled in Mississippi, be they corporate, individuals, or partnerships, are to be granted preference over non-residents in awarding of contracts in the same manner and to the same extent as provided by the laws of the state of domicile of the non-resident. When a non-resident contractor submits a bid for a public project, he shall attach thereto a copy of his resident state's current law pertaining to such state's treatment of non-resident contractors.

No bid may be withdrawn after the scheduled closing time for a period of forty-five (45) days. The University of Southern Mississippi reserves the right to reject any or all bids on any or all projects and to waive informalities.

BY: Mr. Steve Ballew  
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