

**ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
(AFTER PREQUALIFICATION)**

**CENTRAL PLANT/TELECOMMUNICATIONS RELIABILITY UPGRADE
PROJECT NO.: 900310
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, MERCED**

Subject to conditions prescribed by the University of California, Merced, sealed bids for a CM at Risk contract are invited for the following work: Central Plant/Telecommunications Reliability Upgrade, Project Number: 900310.

Description of Work: The Project provides necessary campus Central Utility Plant upgrades to provide increased utility capacities, increased reliabilities to ensure continued utility supplies to the campus. The Project scope of work includes three major components:

1. Increase the Central Plant Cooling Capacity: Provide and install chillers, cooling towers, pumps, piping and electrical switchgear to provide a minimum of 2,500 tons of cooling capacity to meet critical short-term cooling needs.
2. Correct Existing Telecommunications Facility Deficiencies: This project will provide a new rack system with in-row cooling units served by an independent, closed-loop cooling system connected to the existing chilled water service with heat exchangers and pumps.
3. Provide Increased Emergency Back-up Power: Provide and install an emergency power system capable of providing one megawatt of power to support critical campus research and telecom infrastructure.

Procedures: Bidding Documents will be made available to the following **Level 2 Prequalified** CM/Contractors on **Tuesday, April 1, 2014:**

**DPR
Otto Construction
Rudolph & Sletten**

One complete set of bidding documents will be available free of charge. Contact Bright Dart at www.ucmercedplanroom.com to order plans or call them at (209) 385-3800. Additional sets may be purchased at cost. A Planholder's List is available at Bright Dart. Bid Results will be available on our website at <http://www.ucmerced.edu/community/rfprfq.asp> or by calling (209) 288-4479. Electronic documents will be available through the University's ShareFile at <https://ucmerced.sharefile.com>.

A **MANDATORY** Pre-Bid Conference will be conducted on Thursday, April 10, 2014, beginning promptly at 3:30 PM. Participants shall meet at University of California, Merced LSSF B, at 5200 North Lake Road, Merced, CA 95343. If you need accommodations related to disabilities, please call Jessica Duffy (209) 228-4479 at least 3 working days prior to Pre-Bid Conference/Project Site Visit or Bid Opening.

Requests for clarification or interpretation of the Bidding Documents must be in writing and received by **Tuesday, April 15, 2014, at 4:00 P.M.** Questions received after the above-noted deadline may be answered at the discretion of the University's Representative. Questions may be emailed or faxed to:

Jessica Duffy – University of California, Merced
Fax: (209) 228-4468
Email: jduffy2@ucmerced.edu

Revisions, additions or deletions will be made by written addenda issued by Design + Construction.

Bids will be received only at:
(Hand & Overnight delivery only)

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, MERCED
Physical Planning Design and Construction
767 E Yosemite Ave., Bldg. B, Ste C
Merced CA 95340

Or by US Mail at:

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, MERCED
Physical Planning Design and Construction
5200 Lake Rd.
Merced CA 95343

Bids must be received before:

2:00PM
Tuesday, April 22, 2014

Bid Security in the amount of 10% of the Anticipated Contract Amount shall accompany each Bid. The surety issuing the Bid Bond shall be, on the Bid Deadline, an admitted surety insurer (as defined in California Code of Civil Procedure Section 995.120)."

The lowest responsible bidder will be selected on the basis of the best value to the University. The objective criteria and methodology used to determine Best Value are described in the Bidding Documents. The best value to the University is the selection resulting in the best combination of price and qualifications.

The successful Bidder will be required to have the following California current and active contractor's license at the time of submission of the Bid: A or B

The successful Bidder and its subcontractors will be required to follow the nondiscrimination requirements set forth in the Bidding Documents and to pay prevailing wage rates at the location of the work. The successful Bidder shall have the appropriate current licenses issued by the State of California Contractors State License Board for the work to be performed

Every effort will be made to ensure that all persons have equal access to contracts and other business opportunities with the University within the limits imposed by law or University policy. Each Bidder may be required to show evidence of its equal employment opportunity policy. The successful Bidder and its subcontractors will be required to follow the nondiscrimination requirements set forth in the Bidding Documents and to pay prevailing wage at the location of the work.

The work described in the contract is a public work subject to section 1771 of the California Labor Code.

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Estimated construction cost: \$12,870,000
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