SOLICITATION – NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Kent State University will accept separate sealed proposals from Prime Contractors for the **General Contracting Contract** until **11:00 A.M. local time on June, 23**. Proposals WILL NOT be accepted afterwards under any circumstances. The bids will be opened at the Office of the University Architect, Suite 101 Harbourt Hall, 615 Loop Road, P.O. Box 5190, Kent State University, Kent, Ohio 44242-0001, for furnishing the material and performing the labor for the execution and construction of:

PROJECT NO. KSU-22L078
STEAM LINE REPLACEMENT
KENT STATE UNIVERSITY KENT CAMPUS, KENT, OHIO IN PORTAGE COUNTY

Bids will be received for:

CONTRACT:	ESTIMATED BASE BID COST	TOTAL ALTERNATE COST ESTIMATE
GENERAL	$1,548,000.00	$0.00

All Bidders are ***strongly encouraged to attend*** the **Pre-Bid Meeting** at **10:00 A.M.** on **June, 13,** at the Kent State Office of the University Architect, Suite 101 Harbourt Hall, 615 Loop Road, Kent, Ohio 44242 Office of the University Architect Conf. Room 102 and then site visit of Tri-towers and Tunnels. Proper construction attire required, hard hats, safety glasses and no open-faced shoes allowed. The time for **Substantial Completion** is **476 consecutive days from the Notice to Proceed** and shall be achieved no later than **1, November 2024**.

The Bidder must include a Bid Guaranty and Contract Bond for 100% of the amount of their bid or a certified check in the amount of 10% of their total bid. See Section 153.54 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Portage County Prevailing Wages and Equal Employment Opportunity requirements are applicable to this Project. The Bidder may be subject to a Pre-Award Affirmative Action Compliance Review in accordance with Section 123:2-5-01 of the Ohio Administrative Code including a review of the Bidder's employment records and an on-site review.

This Project is subject to the State of Ohio's Encouraging Diversity, Growth, and Equity ("EDGE") Business Development Program. A Bidder is required to submit with its Bid and with its Bidder's Qualifications form, certain information about the certified EDGE Business Enterprise(s) participating on the Project with the Bidder. Refer to **Section 6.1.11** of the **Instructions to Bidders**.

The EDGE Participation Goal for the Project is **9.0 percent**.

The percentage is determined by the contracted value of goods, services, materials, and labor that are provided by EDGE-certified business(es). The participation is calculated on the total amount of each awarded contract. For more information about EDGE, contact the Business Certification Compliance Manager at Stacy.Cornett@development.ohio.gov, or at its physical location: 77 South High Street, 28th Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43215; or by telephone at (614) 728-0088.

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The Bidder must indicate on the Bid Form, the locations where its services will be performed in the spaces provided or by attachment in accordance with the requirements of Executive Order 2019-12D related to providing services only within the United States and the requirements of Executive Order 2022-02D prohibiting purchases from or investment in any Russian institution or company. Failure to do so may cause the Bid to be rejected as non-responsive.

DOMESTIC STEEL USE REQUIREMENTS AS SPECIFIED IN OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 153.011 APPLY TO THIS PROJECT. COPIES OF OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 153.011 CAN BE OBTAINED FROM ANY OF THE OFFICES OF THE OHIO FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION COMMISSION.

Bidders are encouraged to be enrolled in and to be in good standing in a Drug-Free Safety Program ("DFSP") approved

by the Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation ("OBWC") prior to submitting a Bid and provide, on the Bid Form with its Bid, certain information relative to their enrollment in such a program; and, if awarded a Contract, shall comply with other DFSP criteria described in **Section 1.6** of the **General Conditions**.

The OAKS Capital Improvements ("OAKS CI") module, Ohio's Web-based project management system, is being utilized for the Project. The Contractor shall use OAKS CI module for all compatible services required under the Contract. All costs for the Contractor's use of OAKS CI for the Project shall be included in the Contract Sum, and additional compensation shall not be provided. If the Contractor is unfamiliar with the proper use of OAKS CI, the Contractor shall provide its employees for training without additional compensation.

Technical questions should be referred to: **Kevin Noble PE** at **Scheeser Buckley Mayfield. LLC**; 1540 Corporate Woods Parkway Uniontown, Ohio 44685; Telephone: 330-526-2700; E-mail: Knoble@sbmce.com. E-mail is preferred.

Contract Documents may be purchased by Bidders only at their expense from ARC Planroom, 3666 Carnegie Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio 44115, telephone: 216-281-1234. For set cost information, click on the Public Projects in Ohio link at the following Web site: https://order.e-arc.com/arcEOC/ARCPlanRoom.aspx#. Contractors will be required to purchase the complete set; no partial sets will be issued prior to the receipt of the bids and the award of the Contracts.

The University reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

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Record-Courier Advertised Dates: June 01, 08, and 15, 2023