NOTICE CALLING FOR BIDS

District: SOUTH ORANGE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

Project: BID NO. 303: Construction of Life Sciences Building at Irvine Valley College

Bid Deadline: 2:00 P.M., April 5, 2011

Mailing Address & Place of Bid Receipt:
South Orange County Community College District
Health Sciences Building, 3rd Floor, Room HS-357
Purchasing & Facilities Planning Department
28000 Marguerite Parkway
Mission Viejo, CA 92692

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the South Orange County Community College District, of Orange County, California, acting by and through its Governing Board, hereinafter referred to as "DISTRICT," will receive up to, but not later than, the above-stated time, sealed bids for the award of a contract for the above Project.

Project’s Preliminary Cost Estimate: Life Sciences Building - $13,100,000

Complete description, specifications and general conditions may be viewed at the Office of the Director of Facilities Planning and Purchasing Department at the above address, telephone (949) 582-4678 or previewed on-line at socccd.edu Interested bidders may purchase complete bid documents from Repro X-press, 18207 McDurmott St., Suite I, Irvine, CA 92614, Phone: (949) 336-7755, Fax: (949) 336-7757. Payment will not be refunded, and the Project Documents are not required to be returned.

There will be a two opportunities to attend a mandatory job walk and conference. The first will be held at 9:00 am, March 03, 2011 and the second will be 10:00 am, March 08, 2011. We will start in front of the Student Services Center (SSC) located in the campus center at Irvine Valley College, 5500 Irvine Center Drive, Irvine CA 92604. Any bidder failing to attend one of the two pre bid conferences in its entirety shall be deemed a non-responsive bidder and will have his bid returned unopened.

In accordance with the provisions of California Business and Professions Code Section 7028.15 and Public Contract Code Section 3300, the DISTRICT requires that the bidder possess the following classification of contractor’s license at the time the bid is submitted: Class B. Any bidder not so licensed at the time of the bid opening will be rejected as non-responsive.

Time is of the essence. Failure to complete the work within the time set forth in the bid documents will result in the imposition of liquidated damages for each day of delay in the amount set forth in the Information for Bidders.

Each bid shall be accompanied by a bid security in the form of cash, a certified or cashier's check or bid bond in an amount not less than ten percent (10%) of the total bid price, payable to the DISTRICT. In the event the successful bidder fails to enter into the contract and execute the required documents, the bid security shall be forfeited. The successful bidder shall furnish a satisfactory Performance Bond and a Payment Bond in amounts not less than one hundred percent (100%) of the total bid price.
The DISTRICT reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to waive any irregularities or informalities in any bids or in the bidding process.

The California Department of Industrial Relations has determined the general prevailing rates of per diem wages for the locality in which the work is to be performed for the Project. Copies of these wage rate determinations, entitled Prevailing Wage Scale, are maintained at the DISTRICT office and are available at the following website: www.dir.ca.gov. It shall be mandatory upon the successful bidder to whom the contract is awarded, and upon any subcontractor listed, to pay not less than the said specified rates to all workers employed by them for the Project. These requirements will be enforced through our Labor Compliance consulting firm.

No bidder may withdraw any bid for a period of ninety (90) calendar days after the date set for the opening of bids.

The general prevailing rate of per diem wages is based upon a working day of eight (8) hours. The rate for holiday and overtime work shall be at least time and one-half.

Pursuant to Section 22300 of the Public Contract Code, the Agreement will contain provisions permitting the successful bidder to substitute securities for any monies withheld by the DISTRICT to ensure performance under the Agreement or permitting payment of retention earned directly into escrow.

Prequalification is a requirement for bidding this project. Prequalification documents will be distributed at the mandatory job walk and conference.

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Director,
Facilities Planning & Purchasing