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CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE OF: JANUARY 21, 1998

Los Angeles County

Metropolitan

Transportation

Authority

PROJECT:

METRO RED LINE, NORTH HOLLYWOOD

CORRIDOR (SEGMENT 3)

CONTRACT:

H0122, CLOSED CIRCUIT TV PROCUREMENT

ACTION:

REJECTION OF BIDS

One Gateway Plaza Los Angeles, CA

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RECOMMENDATION

213.922.6000

Approve:

- a) Rejection of non-responsive bids for Contract H0122 Closed Circuit Television Procurement for the Metro Red Line, North Hollywood Extension, Segment 3; and
- b) Re-bid of contract H0122 Closed Circuit Television.

Within Construction Committee authority:

Yes

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No

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MERIT

This bid action was conducted in accordance with pre-qualification requirements of Public Utilities Code §130243.

BACKGROUND

Contract H0122 is a fixed price, federally funded procurement, for the design, manufacture, supply, test and initial in-service performance verification. The Closed Circuit Television (CCTV) system provides for visual surveillance of the passenger station platforms and fare vending equipment to aid in security control and assistance to patrons. The system shall provide monitoring at the Central Control Facility (CCF), of all cameras via previously provided redundant fiber-optic links. The CCTV equipment in the passenger stations and at the control center will be furnished for installation by other contractors.

The H0122 Closed Circuit Television Procurement requires the Contractor to:

- a) design, manufacture, supply, test and initial in-service performance verification of the CCTV system;
- b) provide a fully operable system, that is compatible and integral with the existing Metro Rail Facilities and Systems;
- c) deliver and complete all the required work on schedule of 270 calendar days;
- d) provide a performance bond for one hundred percent (100%) of the total contract price.

This Invitation For Bid (IFB) was advertised on September 30, 1997 and a Pre-Bid Conference was conducted on October 23, 1997.

The first addendum was issued for this Invitation For Bid to change the Technical Specifications. The second addendum, per request of the bidders, extended the bid date to November 20, 1997.

Two bidders submitted formal responses pursuant to MTA's procedure on the bid due date of Thursday, November 20, 1997 at 2:00 P. M. They are listed on Attachment 1 in ascending order by value, followed by the engineer's estimate. All bids were reviewed by the Bid Evaluation Team in reaching its determination.

Upon review, the bid submitted by Cohu Inc., failed to provide a complete description of work to be performed by the listed subcontractor/supplier. Under Public Contract Code, Section 4100 failure to complete this requirement deems this bid to be non-responsive.

The Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) goal established for this contract is 8%. Neither firm met the required DBE goal (refer to the Small Business Participation section.)

In summary, both bidders were deemed non-responsive. Therefore, staff recommends rejecting both bids for Contract H0122.

There were eleven planholders of this procurement. The bidders were comprised of 3 to 4 planholders each. Staff contacted all prospective bidders on the planholders list who did not submit a bid. The reasons for the remaining planholders not bidding ranged form not being able to secure a performance bond to being unwilling to do business with the MTA.

BUDGET IMPACT

Funds are available within the Board approved project budget.

ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

Alternative recommendations were not considered, since the subject contract was bid in accordance with California Public Utilities Code §130232, which requires award to the lowest-priced responsive and responsible bidder.

SMALL BUSINESS PARTICIPATION

The Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) goal established for this contract is 8%. Two (2) bids were received in response to the IFB and were evaluated for DBE responsiveness. Each of these contractors failed to achieve the required DBE goal.

The lowest bidder, Cohu Inc., failed to achieve the DBE goal; however, good faith efforts were not requested as this Bidder was deemed non responsive due to failure to list the work description of the subcontractor.

The next lowest bidder, Steiny and Company, was notified on November 21, 1997 that their firm failed to meet the DBE goal. The firm was asked to substantiate good faith efforts their firm made to meet the established 8% DBE goal. Steiny and Company responded that they are unable to substantiate good faith efforts and their bid was deemed non-responsive to DBE requirements.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Summary of Bids

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ATTACHMENT 1

CONTRACT H0122 CLOSED CIRCUIT TV PROCUREMENT METRO RED LINE NORTH HOLLYWOOD CORRIDOR

SUMMARY OF BIDS

BIDDER NAME AND ADDRESS	TOTAL BID PRICE	EVALUATED DBE % (DBE GOAL == 8%)
Cohu, Inc. 5755 Kearny Villa Road San Diego, CA	\$563,100.00	7.46%
Steiny and Company, Inc. 221 N. Ardmore Ave. Los Angeles, CA	\$579,144.90	7.38%
Engineer's Estimate	\$594,110.00	N/A

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