

Chugach Electric Association, Inc.
INVITATION TO BID

March 21, 2023

TO: Chugach Electric Association, Inc., 2022-2023 Outside Electrical Line Construction Contract Contractors/Via Email

You are invited to submit a proposal for Chugach Work Order E2114030 – Depot Dr AK Railroad Relocation Project, located in the Municipality of Anchorage.

Work generally consists of relocating an existing overhead 35kV distribution circuit that runs through the AK Railroad and converting from overhead to underground. The existing overhead conductor is approximately 650’ of 397 ACSR with a 1/0 ACSR tap. We will be installing a new 1000 MCM distribution feeder circuit (approx. 800’) with 1/0 SHLD distribution lateral (approx. 2,000’) that will cross several railroad tracks. Contractor will be responsible for adhering to Alaska Railroad Corporation (ARRC) Technical Standards for work around railroad tracks.

This project is subject to the union signatory sections of Chugach’s Outside or Generation Agreements contained in Exhibit N of the 2022-2023 Outside Electrical Line Construction Contract. Bidding is open to all contractors regardless of union signatory statutes.

Contractors are not required to be signatory to a current collective bargaining agreement with the IBEW Local 1547 to bid on this project. The signatory requirement only becomes applicable to the successful bidder once a contract is awarded. The successful bidder can comply by either establishing that; 1) it is signatory to a current collective bargaining agreement with IBEW Local 1547; 2) by executing a collective bargaining agreement with IBEW Local 1547, or; 3) by executing an agreement with IBEW Local 1547 to comply with the terms and conditions set forth in the most current agreement between IBEW Local 1547 and the Alaska Chapter National Electrical Contractors Association, Inc. If the successful bidder elects the third option, the agreement will be limited to the scope of work and duration of the project.

Please base your bids on the following conditions:

- All Contractor bids must be valid for at least sixty (60) calendar days after the bid due date. After that time, the Contractor shall have the option of retracting its bid. Projects awarded up to and including the sixtieth day after the bid due date are not subject to contractor claim for delay of award.
- Project completion deadline is based on a May 15, 2023, Notice-To-Proceed (NTP). Implementation will be weather dependent. Substantial completion of this project including retirement, installation, energization and any service cut-overs shall be completed no later than **50 calendar days after NTP**. Final completion, clean-up, punch list, as-built drawings, and close out shall be no later than **60 calendar days after NTP**. Bids should be based on the provided completion requirements. No additional compensation for an early start or winter work should be expected.

- Liquidated damages in the amount of \$1,000.00 per calendar day shall apply if the Contractor fails to meet the required completion date.

A bid bond in the amount of 10% of the bid price shall be provided with the Bid documents. A certified check payable to Chugach Electric Association, Inc. may be substituted for the bid bond.

A Pre-Bid Conference will not be conducted for this project.

Bid documentation is available on Chugach's website at www.chugachelectric.com, under Bid Opportunities. Contractors can find the Bid documentation under the "View advertisement and associated documents" button in WO E2114030.

All bids are to be submitted through Chugach website under Bid Opportunities or by email to: denise_elsenbast@chugachelectric.com CC: darvin_thornton@chugachelectric.com, brad_jackson@chugachelectric.com, and mike_miller@chugachelectric.com. Bids must be received prior to 2:00 P.M. Anchorage time, **April 6, 2023.**

An NTP shall not be issued until Chugach has received: 1) all bonds required by this Invitation-To-Bid (ITB) in the required amounts and forms, and properly executed by the appropriate individuals; and, 2) a certificate of insurance establishing builders risk coverage as required by this ITB and specifications. 3) A Project Specific HSE Plan. The contract completion time allowed for this contract shall not be extended or suspended by any delay of Contractor in providing required documents necessary for Chugach to issue the NTP.

No work shall begin until the successful bidder has been issued a written NTP. The Contractor should not expect the NTP to be issued at the time of Notice of Intent to Award.

A Pre-construction conference will not be required, and construction meetings will be held as required.

All work shall be performed in compliance with all applicable local, state, and federal ordinances, orders, statutes, rules, and regulations.

Required project material which is not included on Chugach's List of Owner Furnished Material shall be furnished by the Contractor. All Contractor-furnished material shall be approved by Chugach prior to installation.

The Contractor shall secure locates and assume responsibility for damage to any and all overhead and underground facilities.

Contractor's work product shall be warrantied for two (2) years following Chugach's acceptance of project completion documentation.

Unit bids shall reflect all work noted on the drawings and staking sheets even if not assigned a separate unit description. Whenever unforeseen or unusual field conditions dictate, Chugach reserves the right to modify their design and/or construction unit(s) to accommodate best trench path routing, best construction practices, as-found utility conflicts, and/or any other situation requiring design and/or construction modifications. Design and/or construction modifications will be paid for against published construction

units. Where construction units are not clearly identified, payment will be based on mutual agreement between Chugach and Contractor via Time-and-Material (T&M) pricing.

The Contractor will not energize new or existing primary facilities in the absence of the Chugach site representative/inspector unless advanced written approval is secured from Chugach.

Payment for Contractor work is accomplished through use of a Completed Construction Report prepared by the Chugach site representative/inspector and signed off by the Contractor's representative. Total payment is made on actual units completed including any required field unit modifications, not necessarily on estimated units stated in the bid documents unless otherwise stated in writing. Chugach has no obligation to subsequently reconcile or assist in reconciling the Contractor's billing records.

Chugach reserves the right to define and waive irregularities, to accept or reject any or all bids/proposals, in whole or in part, and to reissue, withdraw, or cancel the solicitation/project in its entirety for any reason, including its subsequent determination to perform the work in-house, without liability of any type to bidder/proposer, including but not limited to any costs associated with bid/proposal preparations and submittals.

Bidder shall identify any exceptions to the terms and conditions in the proposed contract included in the ITB and design package. The nature and extent of any exceptions may influence the Bid award.

All questions regarding the bid documents are to be directed to Chugach's Construction Manager by email to darwin_thornton@chugachelectric.com CC'ing brad_jackson@chugachelectric.com, mike_miller@chugachelectric.com, and denise_elsenbast@chugachelectric.com. Questions shall be submitted no later than 12:00 PM, March 30, 2023. The Construction Manager will either address them or refer them to the most knowledgeable individual associated with the project.

Dates

- Invitation to Bid on March 21, 2023
- Bid Questions are due by March 30, 2023, at 12:00 PM
- CEA Chugach response to questions are due by March 31, 2023 at 5:00 PM
- Bids due by April 6, 2023, at 2:00 P.M. (Please see ITB for submission details.)

CHUGACH ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION, INC.

Darvin Thornton
Construction Manager
W.O. File E2114030

Bid Sheet

WORK ORDER NUMBER: E2114030 CONTRACTOR: _____

LOCATION: Depot Dr AK Railroad Relo-SOA DATE: _____

BIDS ARE DUE PRIOR TO 2:00 P.M.: April 6, 2023

This bid is submitted subject to the terms of the 2022 - 2023 Outside Electrical Line Construction Contract (OELCC) between Chugach Electric Association, Inc. and the undersigned for the above project as set out in the Invitation to Bid.

Project Bid Quotation: _____

Contractor's Alaska License No.: _____

Insurance Expires: _____

Worker's Compensation: _____

Liability: _____

Automobile: _____

Contractor Sell Rate: _____

Contractor Labor Man-Hours: _____

EXCEPTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS

Exceptions or qualifications taken by the Bidder to any of the documents furnished with this Invitation to Bid (ITB) or clarifications to the proposal shall be stated below and, if none, Bidder shall state "NONE."

SUBCONTRACTORS

The Bidder shall indicate below the work intended to be subcontracted to others.

By Contractor: _____

Dated: _____

BID ACCEPTED SUBJECT TO TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE OELCC

By Chugach Electric Association, Inc.: _____

Dated: _____