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<h2 style="margin: 0;">INVITATION TO BID</h2> <p style="margin: 0;">Connecticut Department of Administrative Services (DAS) Construction Services (CS) Office of Legal Affairs, Policy and Procurement 450 Columbus Blvd, Suite 1302, Hartford, CT 06103-1835</p>

Find Invitations to Bid on the State Contracting Portal:	Go to the DAS website www.ct.gov/das Click on “ State Contracting Portal ”; Select “ Administrative Services, Construction Services ”; Select the appropriate Invitation to Bid .
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Instructions for On-Line Bidding:	Follow the instructions in 6001 Construction On-line Bidding Instructions . (http://portal.ct.gov/-/media/DAS/Construction-Services/DAS-CS-Library/6000-Series/6001-Construction-On-Line-Bidding-Instructions.pdf) For questions, email Mellanee.Walton@ct.gov
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Date and Time of Bid Opening:	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">January <small>(Month)</small></div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">13 <small>(Day)</small></div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">2021 <small>(Year)</small></div> </div>	Time:	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">1:00 <small>(ET)</small></div>	PM
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This Invitation to Bid is for the following Project:

Project Title:	Northern CI Fire Alarm Replacement		
Project Location:	287 Bilton Road Somers, CT		
Project Number:	BI-JA-491		
	See Specifications Section 01 11 00 Summary of Work, Section 1.3		
Construction Costs:	Greater Than \$500,000		
Bidding Limited To:	Contractors Prequalified by DAS for General Building Construction (Group B)		
Threshold Limits: (C.G.S. §29-276b)	This Project DOES NOT exceed Threshold Limits.		
Set Aside Requirements:	SBE Subcontractors &/or Suppliers: 25%; MBE Subcontractors &/or Suppliers: 6.25%		
Date DAS/CS Began Planning Project:	9/6/2018		
Special Requirements:	Minimum 10 years' experience working in similar environments. Have the ability to extract the existing FACP programming, decipher, and replicate as needed to accommodate the facility and specific needs. Be able to provide labor that meets the facility security requirements and background checks		
Cost Estimate Range:	\$ 1,010,994.	To	\$ 1,117,414.
Plans & Specifications Ready	12/9/2020		
Plans & Specs:	Plans and Specifications are available for pick up at no cost at Advanced Reprographics , 50 Corporate Ave, Plainville, CT 06062 during the hours of 8:30 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. (Monday-Thursday) (Friday 8:30 AM to 2:00 PM). IMPORTANT NOTE: Plans and Specifications ARE NOT available for examination and/or pick up at CT DAS/CS, 450 Columbus Blvd, Hartford, CT.		
Contract Time Allowed:	Calendar Days:	180	
Liquidated Damages:	\$ 1,259.00	Per Calendar Day Beyond Substantial Completion.	
	\$ 1,259.00	Per Calendar Day Beyond 90 days After Substantial Completion	



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Pre-Bid Meeting Date:	12/18/2020		
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Bidders are strongly encouraged to attend the Pre-Bid Meeting.	
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Bidders are required to attend a MANDATORY Pre-Bid Meeting.	
Pre-Bid Meeting Time:	10:00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AM	<input type="checkbox"/> PM
Pre-Bid Meeting Location:	287 Bilton Road, Somers, CT – Meet in the Lobby, Contact Person is Paul Giudice @ 860-573-5153		
Pre-Bid Meeting Contact:	DAS/CS Project Manager:	Ashour Gevargisnia	
	Phone No.:	860.214-9598	
Pre-Bid Meeting Registration:	At the Pre-Bid Meeting, all prospective bidders shall <i>sign</i> his or her name on the official roster and <i>list</i> the name and address of the company he or she represents. For MANDATORY Pre-Bid Meetings, this shall be done no later than the designated start time of the Pre-Bid Meeting. No attendee will be allowed to register <i>after</i> the advertised start time. Bids submitted by contractors who have <i>not properly</i> registered and attended the MANDATORY Pre-Bid Meeting <i>shall be rejected as non-responsive</i> . See Section 00 25 13 Pre-Bid Meeting Agenda for additional details.		
Bid Proposal Submission and Other Bid Submittal Requirements:	See Sections 00 21 13 Instructions to Bidders, 00 41 00 Bid Proposal Form, and 00 41 10 Bid Package Submittal Requirements for Bid Proposal submission requirements, including requirements for Affidavits, Certifications, Addenda, Pre-Bid Equals and Substitution Requests, and other bidding documents.		
Bid Upload and Bid Opening:	Bids can be uploaded and edited electronically in BizNet UNTIL 1:00 p.m. on the Bid Opening Date and thereafter shall be locked down and publicly opened in the State Contracting Portal.		
Bid Results:	Within approximately two (2) days after the Bid Opening Date, the Bid Results will be posted on the State Contracting Portal.		
Guide to the Code of Ethics For Current or Potential State Contractors (for contracts greater than \$500,000):	Anyone seeking a contract with a value of more than \$500,000 shall electronically download the “Guide to the Code of Ethics For Current or Potential State Contractors” from the of Office of State Ethics (OSE) website www.ct.gov/ethics , then click on the “Publications” link:		
Prevailing Wage Rates:	<p>Prevailing wages are required on this project, in accordance with the schedule provided in the bid documents, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes (C.G.S.) Section 31-53 (a) through (h), as amended. See Section 00 73 44 Prevailing Wage Rates.</p> <p>Each contractor who is awarded a contract on or after October 1, 2002 shall be subject to provisions of C.G.S. § 31-55a concerning annual adjustments to prevailing wages.</p> <p>Wage Rates will be posted each July 1st on the Department of Labor website www.ctdol.state.ct.us. Such prevailing wage adjustment shall not be considered a matter for any contract amendment.</p>		
To access Executive Orders:	Go to www.ct.gov > Governor Ned Lamont > Executive Orders.		
UPDATED DOCUMENTS:	<p>Many Division 00 and Division 01 documents have been updated. Read all of the contents of the Project Manual <i>carefully!</i></p> <p>All Contractors are cautioned that any modifications or alterations made to either the Project Manual or any of the forms and documents contained herein may be just cause to reject the bid!</p>		



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NEW PROCESS FOR CONSTRUCTION STORMWATER GENERAL PERMIT:

See Section 01 50 00 Temporary Facilities and Controls.

For all DAS/CS construction projects disturbing **one or more total acres of land area** on a site regardless of project phasing, the **Architect/Engineer** shall be responsible for filing a Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) *General Permit for the Discharge of Stormwater and Dewatering Wastewaters from Construction Activities (DEEP-WPED-GP-015)* registration and Stormwater Pollution Control Plan (SPCP) through the online DEEP ezFile Portal **prior** to bidding.

Once the **Contractor** is under contract with DAS/CS, and **prior** to the commencement of any construction activities, the Contractor (and all other contractors and subcontractors listed on the SPCP) shall assume responsibility for storm water pollution control and conform to the general permit obligations and requirements by **signing** the SPCP "Contractor Certification Statement" and License Transfer Form as directed by the Architect/Engineer.

At completion of the project, the Contractor shall file a Notice of Termination (DEP-PED-NOT-015) with the DEEP in order to terminate the Construction Stormwater General Permit. A project shall **only** be considered complete after all **post-construction** measures are installed, cleaned, and functioning and the site has been stabilized for at least **three (3) months** following the cessation of construction activities.

NEW PROCESS FOR CONTRACTOR AND SUBCONTRACTOR PAYMENTS REPORTING:

See Section 00 21 13 Instructions to Bidders (Subsection 3.13) and Section 0111 00 Summary of Work (Subsection 1.11).

For compliance with **C.G.S. § 4b-95 and 49-41**, DAS/CS requires every Contractor (and its Subcontractors) who has been awarded a DAS/CS construction contract to log on to the State of Connecticut web-based platform, BizNet, **each month and enter payments** they have received from the state, from the Contractor, or from a higher tier Subcontractor (as applicable).

The process is described as follows: The state will pay the Contractor on a monthly basis for work performed (and purchases made) by it and its Subcontractors. The Contractor will input the payment date and amount they receive from the state on a monthly basis. The Contractor's first-level Subcontractor (Tier 1 Subcontractor) will input the payment they receive from the Contractor. The second-level Subcontractor (Tier 2 Subcontractor) will input the payment they receive from the Tier 1 Subcontractor. And so on.

Contractors awarded a DAS/CS construction contract shall contain a **provision in their subcontract agreements** requiring their Subcontractors to enter payment receipt from the Contractor in the State of Connecticut web-based platform, BizNet, for work performed or purchases made in relation to state projects.

Detailed instructions can be found in the DAS/CS manual, "**6002 Instructions to Contractors/Subcontractors for Entering Payments in BizNet**", available for download by going to the DAS Homepage (www.ct.gov/DAS) and selecting Doing Business With The State > State Building Construction > Publications and Forms > DAS Construction Services Library > 6000 Series.

IMPORTANT NOTE:

The Commissioner of the Connecticut Department of Administrative Services reserves the right to do any of the following without liability, including but not limited to: (a) waive technical defects in the bid proposal as he or she deems best for the interest of the State; (b) negotiate with a contractor in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes Section 4b-91; (c) reject any or all bids; (d) cancel the award or execution of any contract prior to the issuance of the "Notice To Proceed"; and (e) advertise for new bids.

All Project Questions, Bid Questions, and Pre-Bid Equals and Substitution Requests must be submitted fourteen (14) Calendar Days prior to the Bid Due Date.

All **Project Questions** and **Pre-Bid Equals and Substitution Requests** must be emailed (not phoned) to the **Architect/Engineer** with a **copy** to the **Construction Administrator** and the **DAS/CS Project Manager** listed below.

Architect/Engineer:	A/Z Design Services, LLC	Email:	mhebert@a-zcorp.com
Construction Administrator:	TBD	Email:	TBD
DAS/CS Project Manager:	Ashour Gevargisnia	Email:	Ashour.Gevargisnia@ct.gov
All Bid Questions must be emailed to the DAS/CS Associate Fiscal Administrative Officer listed below.			
DAS/CS Associate Fiscal Administrative Officer:	Mellanee Walton	Email:	Mellanee.Walton@ct.gov