

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP)

Transformers



Town of Landis, North Carolina

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SECTION 1: PROJECT OVERVIEW

Summary

The Town of Landis, hereafter referred to as the “Town”, is accepting Proposals from vendors for the purchase of transformers. Qualified vendor(s) will be able to provide the following needs for this project.

(4) -167 kVA 1-Ph Padmount Transformers

- High Voltage: 12470 GY 7200
- Low Voltage: 240/120
- HV Bushings: (2) 200A Wells & Inserts (dead front, loop feed)
- LV Bushings: (3) 4-Hole Spades
- Fluid: Mineral Oil
- Frequency: 60 Hz
- Cooling Class: ONAN
- Fusing: Bayonet

Section 2: Proposal

Vendors are required to submit a proposal that presents the vendor’s qualifications and understanding of the items to be purchased Proposals must be clearly marked “Transformers” and submitted no later than Thursday, October 3, 2024, by 2:00 PM. Proposals must be mailed, emailed, or hand-delivered to:

Angie Sands, Deputy Town Clerk
Town of Landis
312 S. Main St.
Landis, NC 28088

or townclerk@townoflandisnc.gov

No submissions or supporting documents will be accepted after this deadline. The Town of Landis assumes no responsibility or liability for costs incurred by the responsive vendor in submitting this proposal. Vendors accept all risks for late delivery of the Proposal Package, regardless of fault.

IMPORTANT NOTE: All employees of the selected contractor will be required to submit to a background check prior to working on site.

Proposal Content

1. Proposal Form & Signature Page

The proposal form and signature page must be completed and signed by an individual authorized to bind the vendor. All proposals submitted without such proposal form and signature page may be deemed non-responsive.

2. E-Verify Affidavit

SECTION 3: RFP TIMELINE

This is the Town's best estimate of the timeline that will be followed.

Closing date to submit application.....Thursday, October 3, 2024, by 2:00 PM

Present to the Town Council.....Monday, October 14, 2024

Vendor notification and contract negotiation..... Tuesday, October 15, 2024

SECTION 4: OTHER PROCEDURAL INFORMATION

4.1 Other Procedures and Conditions

The Town reserves the sole discretion and right to reject any and all responses received with respect to the RFP and to cancel the RFP process at any time prior to entering into a formal agreement. The Town further reserves the right to request additional information or clarification of information provided in any response. The Town also reserves the right, but is under no obligation, to waive technicalities and informalities. The Town shall make the award as deemed in its best interest. A response to this RFP should not be construed as a contract, nor indicate a commitment of any kind.

4.2 Public Records

Upon receipt by the Town, your Bid Package is considered a public record except for material that qualifies as "Trade Secret" information under North Carolina General Statute §66-152 et seq. Your Bid Package will be reviewed by Town staff, as well as members of the general public who may submit public record requests. To properly designate material as a trade secret under these circumstances, each firm must take the following precautions: (a) any trade secrets submitted by a firm should be submitted in a separate document marked "Trade Secret - Confidential and Proprietary Information - Do Not Disclose Except for the Purpose of Evaluating this Bid Package," and (b) the same trade secret/confidentiality designation should be stamped on each page of the trade secret materials contained in the document.

In submitting a Bid Package, each firm agrees that the Town may reveal any trade secret materials contained in such response to all staff involved in the evaluation process and to any outside consultant or other third parties who are hired to assist in the evaluation process. Furthermore, each firm agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Town and each of its officers, employees, and agents from all costs, damages, and expenses incurred in connection with refusing to disclose any material that the firm has designated as a trade secret. Any firm that designates its entire Bid Package as a trade secret may be disqualified from the evaluation process.

SECTION 5: Minority Business Enterprises

The Town of Landis is committed to using Minority Business Enterprises (MBE) for professional services and other Town contracts. Vendors and teams demonstrating a commitment to assist the Town in attaining this goal by being or including qualified MBE firms will be given priority consideration in the evaluation process.

For purposes of this section, the term minority refers to a person who is a citizen or lawful permanent resident of the United States and who is:

- Black, that is, a person having origins in any of the black racial groups in Africa;
- Hispanic, that is, a person of Spanish or Portuguese culture with origins in Mexico, South; Central America, or the Caribbean Islands, regardless of race;
- Asian American, that is, a person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia and Asia, the Indian subcontinent, the Pacific Islands;
- American Indian, that is, a person having origins in any of the original peoples of North America; or
- Female

In order to qualify as a Minority Business Enterprise, the vendor must have a majority ownership of minority partners and must:

- Be a NC Department of Administration certified Historically Underutilized Business
- Be a NC Department of Transportation certified Disadvantaged Business Enterprise; or
- Seek approval as a qualified MBE at least two (2) weeks prior to the due date of the responsive submittal to the associated procurement process.

Vendors or team member vendors that are qualified MBEs need to complete and return the Attachment with the submittal documents for this project. Evaluation committee members will be given guidance on scoring MBE participation rate based on the role of the MBE vendor (prime or sub), the number of MBE vendor(s) on the team, and the experience of the team members working with the MBE vendor(s) proposed.

PROPOSAL ATTACHMENTS

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It is the intent of the Town to accept the lowest responsible/responsive proposal. The selected proposal will be the most advantageous regarding price, quality of service, vendor qualifications and capabilities to provide the specified materials. The Town reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals and to waive irregularities therein.

The undersigned hereby submits the following proposal for the cost of materials as described within this Request for Proposal document:

Business Name _____

Representative Name/Title _____

Address _____

Office Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Website Email _____

Material Costs	Labor Costs	Other / Note

Total Cost _____

Payment will be made to the contractor within 30 days upon receiving the materials and invoice.

Authorized Signature _____ Date _____

Certification Regarding Lobbying

The undersigned Firm certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal Contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal Contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.

If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for making lobbying contacts to an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal Contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form--LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions [as amended by "Government-wide Guidance for New Restrictions on Lobbying," 61 Fed. Reg. 1413 (1/19/96). Note: Language in paragraph (2) herein has been modified in accordance with Section 10 of the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 (P.L. 104-65, to be codified at 2 U.S.C. 1601, et seq.)]

The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all sub-awards at all tiers (including Sub-contracts, sub-grants, and Contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all sub-recipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by 31, U.S.C. § 1352 (as amended by the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995). Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

[Note: Pursuant to 31 U.S.C. § 1352(c)(l)-(2)(A), any person who makes a prohibited expenditure or fails to file or amend a required certification or disclosure form shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such expenditure or failure

Signature of Firm's Authorized Official_____

Name and Title of Firm's Authorized Official_____

Date_____

Note: This form may be signed electronically. All firms proposed for the contract must sign and return this form as part of the solicitation response.

Intent to Perform as a Minority Business Enterprise Firm or Sub-firm

All Minority Business Enterprises (MBE) proposed for the following solicitation must fill out this portion of the form.

Firm is proposed as: Prime firm Sub-firm

Is the firm a NC Department of Administration certified Historically Underutilized Business?

Yes No

Is the firm a NC Department of Transportation certified Disadvantaged Business Enterprise?

Yes No

If the answer is no to both questions above, is the firm an approved Minority Business Enterprise by the Town of Landis?

Yes N/A (firm is qualified under one of the two methods above)

Legal name of the firm and physical address: _____

As a duly authorized representative, I certify the above information is accurate.

Signature of Firm's Authorized Official

Printed Name and Title of Firm's Authorized Official

Date