

INVITATION TO BID FOR

**SOUTH GATE COMPLEX
CARGO AREA SITE PACKAGE
PORT OF PALM BEACH DISTRICT
RIVIERA BEACH, FLORIDA**

1. Sealed bids for the South Gate Complex – Cargo Area Site Package at the Port of Palm Beach will be received by the Owner, PORT OF PALM BEACH DISTRICT, until **2:00 p.m.**, local time on **January 09, 2007**, at One East 11th Street, Engineering Department, 4th Floor, Riviera Beach, Florida 33404. Bids received after this time will be returned unopened. Bids submitted will be opened publicly and read aloud thereafter.
2. Project consists generally of demolition of existing site paving and site structures, construction of new site grading, drainage improvements, new asphalt paving, site lighting, and pavement striping. Project will be constructed in phases inclusive of all necessary site work, demolition and utility work.
3. Bid Documents will be available on **November 15, 2006**, at **10:00 a.m.** Bidders may obtain complete sets of Bidding Documents from the office of the Port of Palm Beach upon payment of **\$100.00** per set, including tax; checks payable to Port of Palm Beach District. Payment amount is non-refundable.
4. Bidding Documents may be examined at the Port of Palm Beach District (contact Thomas J. Lundeen at 561/383-4100) and will be on file at the following local plan rooms:

F.W. Dodge 2617 N. Australian Ave., Suite B West Palm Beach, FL 33407 561/802-9939	Palm Beach County Resource Center, Inc. 2001 Broadway, Suite 250 Riviera Beach, FL 33404 561/863-0895
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5. Each Bid shall be accompanied by Bid Security in the form of a surety company Bid Bond, cashiers or certified check, drawn upon any State or National Bank in Florida, payable to the Port in an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the amount of the Phase 8 Improvements Base Bid amount. Any bid received without Bid Security will be rejected and returned. Bid Security will be returned to all except the three lowest Bidders within **seven (7) days** after the opening of Bids, and the remaining Bid Securities will be returned within **seven (7) days** after the Port and the awarded Bidder have executed the Contract, or if no Contract has been awarded, **within ninety (90) days** after the date of opening of Bids, or upon demand of Bidder at any time thereafter, so long as it has not been notified of acceptance of its Bid. The Bond executed by the Bidders shall be issued by a Surety Company licensed to do business in the State of Florida. If the Bidder to whom the Contract is awarded does not execute the Contract and furnish the required

- documentation within **ten (10) days** of the date of Notice of Award, the Bid Security shall be paid to the Port as liquidated damages. The Bidders agree with the Port that the amount of Bid Security fairly and reasonably represents the amount of damages the Port will suffer due to the failure of the Bidder to fulfill its obligations required herein.
6. Bidders will be permitted to withdraw their Bids at any time prior to Bid opening.
 7. The successful Bidder shall be required to execute **Performance and Payment Bonds** in the amount of **one hundred percent (100%)** of the Contract amount. The bonds are subject to approval by the Port.
 8. The Port will not award a Contract to any Bidder who cannot prove to the satisfaction of the Port that they have a minimum of two (2) years of experience in the type of construction called for in the Contract Documents and is financially able and organized to successfully carry out the Work covered by the Contract Documents in the required time. Bidder must have a valid Florida general contractors license at time of Bid opening for the Work to be performed, in order for their Bid to be considered. A copy of the Bidder's license, in the name of the Bidder shown on the Bid Proposal Page, must be submitted with the Bid. Should Bidder's license and certification not be current as referenced in this paragraph, the Bid shall be rejected.
 9. Sealed Bids shall be addressed to the Port of Palm Beach District and plainly marked "**BID FOR SOUTH GATE COMPLEX – CARGO AREA SITE PACKAGE**" on the outside of the envelope. The Bidder's name and address shall also be included on the outside of the envelope.
 10. The Bidder agrees that the Bid shall be good, and may not be withdrawn for a period ending no later than **ninety (90) calendar days** after Bid Opening, or the execution of the Contract between the successful Bidder and the Port.
 11. The Port reserves the right to waive any technicalities/irregularities and/or to reject any and/or all Bids. The Port further reserves the right to award a contract to that Bidder whose submittal best serves the interests of the Port, in the sole discretion of the Port.
 12. Bidders shall attend a Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference to be held at One East 11th Street, Engineering Department, 4th Floor, Riviera Beach, Florida 33404, on **November 28, 2006, at 10:00 a.m.**

END OF INVITATION TO BID