

2021

PORT OF PALM BEACH DISTRICT

## INVITATION TO BID

### RAIL REHABILITATION ADVANCED MATERIAL ORDER – RAIL, TIES AND ACCESSORIES PORT OF PALM BEACH DISTRICT RIVIERA BEACH, FLORIDA

1. Sealed bids for RAIL REHABILITATION ADVANCED MATERIAL ORDER – RAIL, TIES AND ACCESSORIES at the Port of Palm Beach will be received by the Owner, PORT OF PALM BEACH DISTRICT, until 12:00 p.m., local time on Tuesday, November 2, 2021 at One East 11th Street, Riviera Beach, Florida 33404, 6th Floor Conference Room. Bids received after this time will be returned unopened. As applicable, the Purchasing Department is no longer holding public/bid openings due to the provisions of Section 119.071 (1) (b) F.S., the Florida Public Records Law. Therefore, the Port is not required to provide information until the earlier of the Port providing notice of an intended decision, or until thirty (30) days after opening the bids. Further, if the intended decision is to reissue the solicitation, the Port is not required to provide information until notice of an intended decision concerning the reissued solicitation or until the reissued solicitation is withdrawn.
2. Project consists of the fabrication, delivery and offloading of joint bars, track bolts, transition rails, ties, turnouts, switch stands and other accessories freight on board (FOB) to the Port of Palm Beach, Riviera Beach, Florida.
3. Electronic Bid Documents will be available for download no later than **Monday, October 4, 2021** from the Port of Palm Beach District website: <http://www.portofpalmbeach.com/bids.aspx>.
4. Bid Documents may be examined at the Port of Palm Beach District offices at One East 11<sup>th</sup> Street, Riviera Beach, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, during regular business hours through the closing of the bid period. Contact number is (561) 842-4201 for the Port Engineer.
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 Rail Rehabilitation Advanced Material Order – Rail Ties and Accessories 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 Bidder shall be issued by a Surety Company licensed to do business in the State of Florida. If the Bid to whom the Contract is awarded does not

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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 Bidder agrees 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 and /or delivery.
7. 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 five (5) years of experience in the manufacturing of rail materials.
7. Sealed Bids shall be addressed to the Port of Palm Beach District and plainly marked "RAIL REHABILITATION ADVANCED MATERIAL ORDER – RAIL, TIES AND ACCESSORIES" on the outside of the envelope. The Bidder's name and address shall also be included on the outside of the envelope.
9. The Bidder agrees that the Bid shall be good, and may not be withdrawn for a period ending the later of **ninety (90) calendar days** after Bid Opening, or the execution of the Contract between the successful Bidder and the Port.
10. 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.

**END OF INVITATION TO BID**