

DeIDOT Temporary Bid Opening Changes

All interested parties;

As you may be aware on Friday March 13, 2020 Governor Carney declared a State of Emergency due to the public health threat of COVID-19 and issued a proclamation authorizing all public meetings of executive branches to be conducted electronically, either telephonically or via videoconference.

Out of an abundance of caution, DeIDOT is changing the public bid opening process to the below format. This change will be in effect until further notice.

- **There is no change to contractors' submittal of the Bids.**

Bids may still be dropped off in the Bidder's Room prior to 2:00 P.M. local time on the bid opening date. People who drop-off bids are not permitted to remain in the building.

- **There will be no in-person meeting for the opening of the bids.**

Instead, the public meeting will be conducted telephonically.

No one will be permitted to dial in telephonically from DeIDOT's building.

- **Members of the public and interested parties may call in to hear the reading of the bids.**

- **The telephone number to call is 1-(408) 418-9388**

When prompted, enter Meeting number (access code): 718 025 157#

- The dial-in information will also be posted on bids.delaware.gov;

Look on the 'Bid Solicitation Details' page of the project, in the "Contract Specific Message:" section,

It is anticipated all telephonic public meetings will utilize the same telephone number each week.

- Bids will be opened immediately after 2:00 P.M. using the same format used in the public meetings;

- The Bid Opening will be video recorded.

The Department thanks you for your cooperation.

Governor's Proclamation Authorizing Public Bodies to Meet Electronically:

<https://governor.delaware.gov/proclamation-173292-03132020/>