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INVITATION TO BID**

Sealed bids for **DEARNG Contract 2024-10; Biden NGRC Lighting Controls Replacement** will be received by the Delaware Army National Guard by mail or at the Security Officers Desk in the Main Lobby of the Biden National Guard/Reserve Center, 1 Vavala Way, New Castle, Delaware 19720 until **1:00 PM local time on June 25, 2026**, at which time they will be publicly read aloud in the Multi-Purpose Room.

Bidders are required to show identification at the Guard Booth when entering the site and must sign in at the Security Officers desk once inside. Please allow sufficient time to comply with these requirements. No exceptions. Bidder bears the risk of late delivery. Any bids received after the stated time will be returned unopened.

Project involves the replacement of the lighting controls located within the Biden National Guard Reserve Center located at 1 Vavala Way, New Castle, DE 19720.

Attention is called to the construction schedule as detailed in the Contract Documents.

A **MANDATORY** Pre-Bid Meeting will be held on **June 4, 2026, at 11:00 AM local time** at the Biden National Guard Readiness Center, 1 Vavala Way, New Castle, DE 19720, for the purpose of establishing the listing of subcontractors and to answer questions. Representatives of each party to any Joint Venture must attend the meeting. **ATTENDANCE OF THIS MEETING IS A PREREQUISITE FOR BIDDING ON THIS CONTRACT.**

Sealed bids shall be mailed and addressed to the Delaware Army National Guard, 1 Vavala Way, New Castle, Delaware 19720; **ATTN: Christopher Watkins, Business Manager, State Contracting.** The outer envelope should clearly indicate: **“DEARNG Contract 2024-10; Biden NGRC Lighting Controls Replacement – SEALED BID – DO NOT OPEN.”**

Contract documents (one electronic USB drive) can be obtained at the Pre-Bid Meeting or before, by calling (302)738-7172 upon receipt of \$25.00 per set/non-refundable. Checks are to be made payable to “DEDC LLC.”

Bidders will not be subject to discrimination on the basis of race, creed, color, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or national origin in consideration of this award, and Minority Business Enterprises, Disadvantaged Business Enterprises, Women-Owned Business Enterprises and Veteran-Owned Business Enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids on this contract. Each bid must be accompanied by a bid security equivalent to ten percent of the bid amount and all additive alternates. The successful bidder must post a performance bond and payment bond in a sum equal to 100 percent of the contract price upon execution of the contract. The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any informalities therein. The Owner may extend the time and place for the opening of the bids from that described in the advertisement, with not less than two calendar days notice by certified delivery, facsimile machine or other electronic means to those bidders receiving plans.

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