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INVITATION TO BID**

Sealed bids for **OMB/DFM Contract No. MC1002000965 – Agriculture Building Chiller & Cooling Tower Replacement** will be received by the State of Delaware, Office of Management and Budget, Division of Facilities Management, by way of the Bonfire Portal at <https://DFM.bonfirehub.com> until **1:00 p.m. local time on August 18, 2025**. Bidder bears the risk of late submission.

Bids will be opened and read aloud at 2:00 p.m. local time on August 18, 2025 at the Haslet Armory, 122 Martin Luther King Blvd. S., Dover, DE 19901.

The project involves demo and replacement of the water-cooled chiller and cooling tower. The existing chilled water and condenser water pumps, air separator, pot feeder, and expansion tank tied into the system will also be demo'd and replaced. Existing air compressor and vacuum pump to be demo'd and removed.

A **MANDATORY** Pre-Bid Meeting will be held on **July 31, 2025 at 1:30 P.M. local time** at the Department of Agriculture Main Administration Building at 2320 S. DuPont Highway, Dover, Delaware 19901., for the purpose of establishing the list of subcontractors and to answer questions. Upon arrival, attendees are to check in at the front desk for directions to pre-bid meeting room. Representatives of each party to any Joint Venture must attend this meeting. **ATTENDANCE OF THIS MEETING IS A PREREQUISITE FOR BIDDING ON THIS CONTRACT.**

Contract documents may be obtained at the office of DEDC, LLC, upon receipt of \$100.00 per paper set and/or \$25.00 per electronic 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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