NOTICE OF COMPETITIVE OPPORTUNITY REQUEST FOR BIDS (RFB) 24-0019MC FOR

PURCHASE OF DIESEL AND UNLEADED FUEL FOR LCPA

Lee County Port Authority (Authority) invites the submission of electronic bids from all interested and qualified individuals, corporations, partnerships, and other legal entities authorized to do business in the state of Florida to compete for the opportunity to provide the goods or perform the services specified in this Request for Bids (RFB). Solicitation documents may be accessed at https://flylcpa.ionwave.net/Login.aspx or by contacting the Procurement Office.

The following key dates have been established for the non-mandatory pre-bid meeting, sealed public opening, and the deadline for submitting any questions and requests for clarification of any information contained within the solicitation documents.

PRE-BID MEETING

A NON-MANDATORY PRE-BID MEETING has been scheduled for Thursday, May 2, 2024 at 10:00 a.m., local time. The meeting will be conducted remotely through Google Meets. Potential bidders are encouraged to attend the virtual pre-bid meeting. Attendees must have the ability to communicate with the Authority at this meeting and must provide a company and representative name for the attendance register and to also be able to ask questions or request clarifications. The pre-bid meeting may only be attended remotely through Google Meets. To access the meeting use this link:

Remote Meeting ID/Phone: https://meet.google.com/ttw-gibk-gjr Phone: (US) 413-679-0132 - PIN: 785 279 800#

The Authority will attempt to answer all questions received at this meeting; however, no additions, deletions, or modifications to the solicitation documents will be made unless and until a written addendum is issued by the Procurement Office.

DEADLINE FOR QUESTIONS AND CLARIFICATION REQUESTS

Inquiries or requests for clarifications of any information contained in this RFB must be received no later than Thursday, May 9, 2024. All inquiries, suggestions, or requests pertaining to this RFB must be made in writing and submitted in Ion Wave under the "Questions" tab or to the procurement agent listed on the page of the solicitation documents. This deadline has been established to maintain fair treatment for all potential Bidders while ensuring an expeditious selection process.

PUBLIC OPENING

The Authority is accepting electronic submissions in Ion Wave until Thursday, May 23, 2024, <u>before 2:00 p.m.</u>, <u>local time</u>. Bids sent in any manner other than electronically to Ion Wave will not be accepted. Hard copies, faxed bids, and electronically submitted bids sent directly to the Authority will not be accepted.

Everyone is welcome to view the opening remotely through Google Meets by using the following link:

Remote Meeting ID: https://meet.google.com/fge-qvom-xgo or dial: (US) 413-418-0556 PIN: 337 977 363#

Bids must be submitted in Ion Wave prior to the deadline for electronic submission. Bidders are responsible for taking all necessary steps to ensure their bid is received by the due date and time. The Authority is not responsible for technology problems or any other issues that cause the deadline for receipt of electronic bids to be missed.

Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) and Woman and Minority-Owned Business Enterprises (W/MBE) companies are encouraged to respond to this notification.