

**INVITATION TO BID
Section 00130**

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Graduate Education Building – Mechanical and Electrical Systems Renewal
Bernhard TME Project number: 04-17-0020

1. You are invited to bid on a General Contract for the Graduate Education Building – Mechanical and Electrical Systems Renewal project located in Fayetteville, Arkansas for the Board of Trustees of the University of Arkansas acting for and on behalf of the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville, hereinafter termed Owner. The bids shall be on a lump sum basis.
2. There will be Pre-Bid Conference held at 10:00 a.m. on September 5th at the Facilities Management Main Conference Room A103, 521 S. Razorback Road, Fayetteville, AR 72701. Attendance at this meeting is not mandatory, but is strongly encouraged. The University reserves the right to schedule additional meetings, if it determines them to be in its best interests.
3. The Owner will receive bids until 2:00 p.m., local time, September 18th, 2018. Bids may be mailed or delivered to the University of Arkansas – Fayetteville, UA Administration Building, ADMN/321 Attn. James Ezell, 1125 W. Maple Street, Fayetteville, AR 72701, hereinafter termed University of Arkansas – Fayetteville. Bids received after this time will not be accepted. Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at the time and date mentioned. Interested parties are invited to attend.
4. The Owner, unless designated to another entity, supervises the bidding and awarding of all construction contracts, approves contracts, change orders, requests for payment and ensures that on-site inspections are accomplished.
5. Contract documents may be examined at the office of the Design Professional or the plan rooms listed below:

Southern Reprographics Inc. 2905 Point Circle, Fayetteville, AR (479) 582-4022; Bentonville, AR (479) 271-6130; Little Rock, AR (501) 372-4011
6. A complete set of contract documents may be obtained and purchased as listed above.
7. Obtaining contract documents through any source other than listed above is not advisable due to the risks of receiving incomplete or inaccurate information, and the bidder runs the risk of basing bidder's proposal on such information.
8. **Bid Security in the amount of five percent (5%) of the bid must accompany each bid in excess of \$ 20,000.00 in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders.**
9. Bidders are hereby notified that any bidder who desires to enter into Contract for this work must comply with disclosure requirements pursuant to Governor Executive Order 98-04. Submission to the Owner of completed Disclosure forms will be a condition of the Contract. The Owner cannot enter into any contract, which does not obligate the contractor to require the submission of Disclosure forms for subcontractors.

10. The Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids, and to waive any formalities.
11. This invitation does not commit the Owner to pay any cost incurred in the preparation of bids.
12. **Bidders shall conform to the requirements of the Arkansas licensing laws and regulations for contractors, and shall be licensed before his bid is submitted unless the project is federally funded and therefore excepted by Ark. Code Ann. §17-25-315. There shall be only one bid submitted per State Contractors license. Bidders will be required to indicate license number on bid form beneath signature when bidding \$ 20,000.00 or more.**
13. Pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 22-9-203, the State encourages all small and minority business enterprises to submit bids for capital improvements. Encouragement is also made to all general contractors that in the event they subcontract portions of their work, consideration be given to the identified groups.