Updated 09/28/10

FEDERAL PROJECT

Effective January 20, 2010
Supersedes December 1, 2008

BIDDING INSTRUCTIONS

FOR ALL PROJECTS:

1. Use pen and ink to complete all paper Bids.
2. As a minimum, the following must be received prior to the time of Bid opening:

For a Paper Bid:

a) a copy of the Notice to Contractors, b) the completed Acknowledgement of Bid Amendments form, c) the completed Schedule of Items, d) two copies of the completed and signed Contract Offer, Agreement & Award form, e) a Bid Guaranty, and f) any other certifications or Bid requirements listed in the Bid Documents as due by Bid opening.

For an Electronic Bid:

a) a completed Bid using Expedite® software and submitted via the Bid Express™ webbased service, b) a Bid Guaranty (as described below) or a faxed copy of a Bid Bond (with original to be delivered within 72 hours), and c) any other certifications or Bid requirements listed in the Bid Documents as due by Bid opening.

3. Include prices for all items in the Schedule of Items.
4. Include a Bid Guaranty. Acceptable forms are:
   a) a properly completed and signed Bid Bond on the Department's prescribed form (or on a form that does not contain any significant variations from the Department's form as determined by the Department) for 5% of the Bid Amount or
   b) an Official Bank Check, Cashier's Check, Certified Check, U.S. Postal Money Order or Negotiable Certificate of Deposit in the amount stated in the Notice to Contractors.
5. If a paper Bid is to be sent, Federal Express overnight delivery is suggested as the package is delivered directly to the DOT Headquarters Building located at 16 Child Street in Augusta.
6. Other means, such as U.S. Postal Service's Express Mail has proven not to be reliable.

IN ADDITION, FOR FEDERAL AID PROJECTS:

7. Complete the DBE Proposed Utilization form in the proper amounts, and submit with your bid on bid opening day. If you are submitting your bid electronically, you must FAX your DBE Utilization Form to (207) 624-3431.

If you need further information regarding Bid preparation, call the DOT Contracts Section at (207) 624-3410.

For complete bidding requirements, refer to Section 102 of the Maine Department of Transportation, Standard Specifications, Revision of December 2002.

January 30, 2004
Supercedes February 11, 2003

NOTICE

The Maine Department of Transportation is attempting to improve the way Bid Amendments/Addendums are handled, and allow for an electronic downloading of bid packages from our website, while continuing to maintain a planholders list.

Prospective bidders, subcontractors or suppliers who wish to download a copy of the bid package and receive a courtesy notification of project specific bid amendments, must provide an email address to Diane Barnes or Mike Babb at the MDOT Contracts mailbox at: MDOT.contracts@maine.gov. Each bid package will require a separate request.

Additionally, interested parties will be responsible for reviewing and retrieving the Bid Amendments from our web site, and acknowledging receipt and incorporating those Bid Amendments in their bids using the Acknowledgement of Bid Amendment Form.

The downloading of bid packages from the MDOT website is not the same as providing an electronic bid to the Department. Electronic bids must be submitted via http://www.BIDX.com. For information on electronic bidding contact Larry Childs at Larry.Childs@maine.gov.

NOTICE

For security and other reasons, all Bid Packages which are mailed, shall be provided in double (one envelope inside the other) envelopes. The *Inner Envelope* shall have the following information provided on it:

Bid Enclosed - Do Not Open
PIN:
Town:
Date of Bid Opening:
Name of Contractor with mailing address and telephone number:

In Addition to the usual address information, the *Outer Envelope* should have written or typed on it:

Double Envelope: Bid Enclosed
PIN:
Town:
Date of Bid Opening:
Name of Contractor:
This should not be much of a change for those of you who use Federal Express or similar services.

Hand-carried Bids may be in one envelope as before, and should be marked with the following infrormation:

Bid Enclosed: Do Not Open
PIN:
Town:
Name of Contractor:

STATE OF MAINE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Bid Guaranty-Bid Bond Form

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS THAT_____

_____, of the City/Town of _____and State of_____

as Principal, and _____as Surety, a

Corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of_____and having a usual place of

Business in _____and hereby held and firmly bound unto the Treasurer of

the State of Maine in the sum of_____,for payment which Principal and Surety bind

themselves, their heirs, executers, administrators, successors and assigns, jointly and severally.

The condition of this obligation is that the Principal has submitted to the Maine Department of Transportation, hereafter Department, a certain bid, attached hereto and incorporated as a part herein, to enter into a written contract for the construction of _____

_____

_____and if the Department shall accept said bid and the Principal shall execute and deliver a contract in the form attached hereto (properly completed in accordance with said bid) and shall furnish bonds for this faithful performance of said contract, and for the payment of all persons performing labor or furnishing material in connection therewith, and shall in all other respects perform the agreement created by the acceptance of said bid, then this obligation shall be null and void; otherwise it shall remain in full force, and effect.

Signed and sealed this_____day of _____20_____

WITNESS:

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PRINCIPAL:

By_____

By:_____

By:_____

SURETY:

By_____

By:_____

Name of Local Agency: _____

SAMPLE

NOTICE

Bidders:

Please use the attached "Request for Information" form when faxing questions and comments concerning specific Contracts that have been Advertised for Bid. Include additional numbered pages as required. Questions are to be faxed to the number listed in the Notice to Contractors. This is the only allowable mechanism for answering Project specific questions. Maine DOT will not be bound to any answers to Project specific questions received during the Bidding phase through other processes.

State of Maine
Department of Transportation

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

Date _____ Time _____

Information Requested: **PIN:** _____ **Town(s):** _____

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Request by: _____ **Phone: (_____)**_____
Bid Date: _____ **Fax: (_____)**_____

Complete top portion of form and transmit to the number listed in the Notice to Contractors

RFI No: _____ **RFI received:** _____

Response:_____

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Response By:_____ Date: _____

NOTICE

Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Proposed Utilization

All Bidders must submit the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Proposed Utilization form with their bid.

The Contractor's Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Proposed Utilization Plan form contains information that is required by U.S. DOT.

The Maine Department of Transportation's Contractor's Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Proposed Utilization Plan form must be used.

A copy of the new Contractor's Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Proposed Utilization Plan and instructions for completing it are attached.

Note: Questions about DBE firms, or to obtain a printed copy of the DBE Directory, contact The Office of Civil Rights at (207) 624-3066.

MDOTs DBE Directory of Certified firms can also be obtained at www.maine.gov/mdot/disadvantaged-business-enterprises/dbe-home.php

INSTRUCTIONS FOR PREPARING THE CONTRACTOR'S DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE UTILIZATION PLAN

The Contractor Shall:

1. Submit a completed Contractor's Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Utilization Plan with your bid on the Bid day.

2. Extend equal opportunity to MDOT certified DBE firms (as listed in MDOT's DBE Directory of Certified Businesses) in the selection and utilization of Subcontractors and Suppliers.

SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE FORM:

Insert Contractor name, the name of the person(s) preparing the form, and that person(s) telephone, fax number and e-mail address.

Provide total Bid price, Federal Project Identification Number, and location of the Project work.

In the columns, name each subcontractor, DBE and non-DBE firm to be used, provide the Unit/Item cost of the work/product to be provided by the subcontractor, give a brief description and the dollar value of the work.

DBE GOAL NOTICE

Maine Department of Transportation
Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program

Notice is hereby given that in accordance with US DOT regulation 49 CFR Part 26, the Maine Department of Transportation has established a DBE Program for disadvantaged business participation in the federal-aid construction program; MaineDOT contracts covered by the program include consulting, construction, supplies, manufacturing, and service contracts.

For FFY 2010 (October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2010), MaineDOT has established a DBE participation goal of 5.9% to be achieved through race/gender neutral means.

Interested parties may view MaineDOT's DBE goal setting methodology posted on this website. If you have questions regarding this goal you may contact the Maine Department of Transportation, Civil Rights Office by telephone at (207) 624-3042 or by e-mail at: theresa.savoy@maine.gov.

This DBE goal, at the request of Federal Highway Administration, has been recalculated and was resubmitted for approval on May 6, 2010. This goal remains in effect through September 30, 2012 unless otherwise determined by Federal Highway Administration.

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MaineDOT CONTRACTOR'S DBE/SUBCONTRACTOR UTILIZATION FORM

All Bidders must furnish this form with their bid on Bid Opening day

Contractor:_____ **Telephone:** _____ **Ext.** _____

Contact Person:_____ **Fax:** _____

E-mail: _____

BID PRICE: $_____ **BID DATE:** _____/_____/_____

FEDERAL PROJECT PIN # _____ **PROJECT LOCATION:** _____

TOTAL ANTICIPATED DBE _____ % PARTICIPATION FOR THIS SUBMISSION

WBE•	DBE•	Non DBE	Firm Name	Item Number & Description of Work	Quantity	Cost per Unit/Item	Actual $ Value
						Subcontractor Total ›	
						DBE Total >	

NOTE: THIS INFORMATION IS USED TO TRACK AND REPORT ANTICIPATED DBE PARTICIPATION IN ALL FEDERALLY FUNDED MAINE DOT CONTRACTS. THE ANTICIPATED DBE AMOUNT IS VOLUNTARY AND WILL NOT BECOME A PART OF THE CONTRACTUAL TERMS.

Equal Opportunity Use:

Form received: ___/___/___ Verified by: _____

cc: ☐ Contracts ☐ Other _____

For a complete list of certified firms and company designation (WBE/DBE) go to http://www.maine.gov/mdot

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Maine Department of Transportation Civil Rights Office

Directory of Certified Disadvantaged Business Enterprises

Listing can be found at:

www.maine.gov/mdot/disadvantagedbusiness-enterprises/dbe-home.php

For additional information and guidance contact: Civil Rights Office at (207) 624-3066

It is the responsibility of the Contractor to access the DBE Directory at this site in order to have the most current listings.

September 14, 2007

Vendor Registration

Prospective Bidders must register as a vendor with the Department of Administrative & Financial Services if the vendor is awarded a contract. Vendors will not be able to receive payment without first being registered. Vendors/Contractors will find information and register through the following link –
http://www.maine.gov/purchases/vendorinfo/vss.htm