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Sealed bids will be received by the Connecticut Airport Authority (CAA) by submitting a bid electronically through <https://ctairports.procureware.com>. The CAA will not accept bids in any other manner. Vendors must be registered to access the bid in its entirety and to submit a bid. **Due date for bids is no later than 1:00 PM, April 18, 2023** at which time they will be publicly displayed for the following project. Bids must be uploaded to <https://ctairports.procureware.com>. ProcureWare cannot accept multiple files. **All bids must be uploaded as a single file.** Bidders who wish to view the bid results may do so by logging into <https://ctairports.procureware.com> at the date and time noted above. The official time is the ProcureWare time indicator. The ProcureWare system closes precisely at the time indicated above. Bids must be uploaded in their entirety with receipt of a confirmation number no later than the date and time indicated above. No bids will be able to be posted after the time noted above. All costs incurred in connection with responding to this IFB shall be borne by the Bidder.

**Taxiways 'C' South & 'D' West Shoulder
Removal, New Lighting and Signage
Groton-New London Airport
Groton, Connecticut
CAA Construction Contract No. 2023-012**

The project consists of the removal of the existing shoulder pavement, taxiway edge lights, and guidance signs along the southern portion of Taxiway C and the western portion of Taxiway D. Installation of new elevated taxiway edge lights in the new turf shoulder, and the installation of new guidance signs, new cable and conduit will be installed to all newly installed electrical items, two new regulators will be installed in the existing electrical vault, along with new wires from the project area back to the electrical vault. The existing holding position markings, surface painted holding position signs, and enhanced centerlines in the project area will be relocated, to meet current FAA requirements. The removed shoulder area and adjacent areas will be re-graded to meet current grading criteria. Topsoil, loam and seed will be installed in all disturbed areas.

The contract time for completion of all work is within **ninety (90) calendar days** from the date specified in the "Notice to Proceed".

The work performed under this Contract shall be governed by Federal Contract Provisions, as applicable, set forth in the Contract Documents, unless otherwise noted, which include, but are not restricted to, Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Subcontractor participation, Equal Employment Opportunity requirements, and compliance with State of Connecticut Wage requirements and Federal Wage and Hour requirements (Davis-Bacon Act). All requirements of the Federal funding and the CAA procurement process, as well as all administrative regulations shall apply to this project, as if herein written out in full.

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The attention of prospective bidders is called to the fact that this project is to be bid upon and the contract executed, under the Federal Funding Rules and Regulations for carrying out the provisions of:

- Civil Rights General Provisions (Title 49 United States Code, § 47123)
- Title VI Provisions of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended and supplemented,
- Buy American Preferences (Title 49 United States Code, §50101)
- Foreign Trade Restriction: Denial of Public Works Contracts on Suppliers of Goods and Services of Countries that Deny Contracts to Suppliers of Goods and Services of Countries that Deny Procurement Market Access to U.S. Contractors (DOT Regulation 49 CFR Part 30)
- Davis-Bacon Act (DOL Regulation 29 CFR Part 5)
- Affirmative Action to Ensure Equal Employment Opportunity (Executive Order 11246, as amended, and DOL Regulation 41 CFR Part 60)
- Government Debarment and Suspension and Government-wide Requirements for Drug-free Workplace (2 CFR Part 180 (Subpart C), 2 CFR part 1200, DOT Order 4200.5 DOT Suspension & Debarment Procedures & Ineligibility)

The requirements of 49 CFR Part 26, Regulations of the U.S. Department of Transportation, apply to this contract. It is the policy of the CAA to practice nondiscrimination based on race, color, sex, or national origin in the award or performance of this contract. All firms qualifying under this solicitation are encouraged to submit bids/proposals. Award of this contract will be conditioned upon satisfying the requirements of this section. These requirements apply to all bidders/offerors, including those who qualify as a DBE. This contract will utilize a **Race Neutral DBE procedure**. **There is no specific goals for this project.** The bidder/offeror shall make good faith efforts, as defined in Appendix A, 49 CFR Part 26, Appendix A. An overall DBE contract goal of ***nine and ninety-eight hundreds percent (9.98%)*** has been established for this Airport.

The CAA, in accordance with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (78 Stat. 252, 42 U.S.C. §§ 2000d to 2000d-4) and the Regulations, hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged business enterprises will be afforded full and fair opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in consideration for an award. It is the policy of the CAA to practice nondiscrimination based on race, color, sex, or national origin in the award or performance of this contract. All disadvantaged business enterprise firms qualifying under this solicitation are encouraged to submit bids/proposals. The provisions of State of Connecticut non-discrimination requirement pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4a-60 and §4a-60a will also apply. Award of this contract will be conditioned upon satisfying the requirements of this section.

All requirements of the CAA procurement process, as well as all State of Connecticut administrative regulations shall apply to this project, as if herein written out in full. In addition, the

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State of Connecticut general provisions and prosecution of work requirements will apply, including compliance with State of Connecticut Wage requirements.

Each sealed bid shall be accompanied by a certified check, cashier's check or satisfactory Bid Bond, in an amount equal to **five percent (5%)** of the bid, payable to the Connecticut Airport Authority.

The successful bidder will be required to execute and furnish a Performance Bond, and Labor and Materials Payment Bond as security for faithful performance and payment of all bills and obligations arising from the performance of the work. Each security shall be in an amount of not less than one hundred percent (100%) of the contract price and shall be in a form acceptable to the Owner.

Contract Documents will be available on **March 21, 2023** and may be downloaded at: <https://ctairports.procureware.com>. Vendors must be registered to access the contract documents in their entirety and to submit a bid.

COMMUNICATIONS:

During the period from advertisement of this IFB and until a Contract is awarded, Bidders shall not contact any employee of the CAA concerning this procurement except in writing via the clarifications tab for this solicitation that may be found at <https://ctairports.procureware.com>. **The deadline to submit questions will be April 11, 2023, 11:00 am (EST)**. The CAA reserves the right to respond to only questions it deems part of the technical process. Responses to questions will be provided to all Bidders in the form of an Addendum to the IFB, if the CAA determines it is in its best interest. Any questions received after this time will likely be unanswered. The CAA reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to respond to such questions. If a Bidder has a question related to the technical process after the question deadline noted above, then they may reach out to the CAA's Purchasing Agent via email at procurement@ctairports.org.

ATTEMPTS TO INFLUENCE THE SELECTION PROCESS

Except for clarifying written questions sent to the CAA's Purchasing Agent via email at procurement@ctairports.org as noted in the preceding paragraph, all Bidders, including any and all persons acting on their behalf, are strictly prohibited from contacting any employee of the CAA or Board official, on/or regarding any matter relating to this IFB from the time the IFB is issued until a Contract is awarded.

The CAA reserves the right to disqualify any Bidder who contacts any employee of the CAA or Board official, other than the Purchasing Agent, concerning this IFB during the period set forth in this section.

A Mandatory Pre-Bid webinar will be conducted **April 4, 2023, 11:00 am (EST)**. Bidders interested in participating must preregister to participate no later than **April 3, 2023, 3:00 pm**

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(EST) by emailing procurement@ctairports.org with the company name and email address of attendee(s). A link to the webinar will be sent to all attendees on the afternoon of **April 3, 2023**.

The webinar link will be shut down 10 minutes after the start of the meeting. Firms that have preregistered will not be able to gain access after that time and will not be eligible to bid.

There will be no site visit offered – pictures and/or a video will be presented as part of the webinar. CAA will not be obligated to schedule site visits. No claims for extra costs shall be allowed because of lack of full knowledge of verifiable conditions.

No bidder may withdraw his bid within one hundred twenty (120) days after the actual date of opening hereof.

Award of the contract shall be made to the lowest responsible and responsive bidder, whose responsive bid conforms to written requirements of the Owner.

END OF SECTION