



INVITATION TO FORMAL BID 22-2841-R1 TO ESTABLISH CONTRACTS FOR GENERAL PAINTING SERVICES AND PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE FOR THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF PUERTO RICO

All persons, natural or legal, who meet the minimum requirements to contract with the Government of Puerto Rico are invited to participate in the bid referenced above. Such requirements are established under Act No. 73 of July 23, 2019, as amended, known as the "General Services Administration Act for the Centralization of the Government of Puerto Rico's Purchase of 2019", as well as the applicable provisions of the Uniform Regulations for Purchases and Bids of Goods, Works, and Nonprofessional Services of the General Services Administration of the Government of Puerto Rico, Regulation No. 9230, as amended.

SCOPE OF WORK

The work to be undertaken includes, but may not be limited to:

• For the performing of all items of works required to complete exterior and interior painting of all exposed reinforced concrete/masonry, asphalt, wood, aluminum, and metal surfaces on school buildings' facades, classrooms, administrative offices, bathrooms, libraries, dining rooms, hallways, stairs, common areas, parking areas and existing site facilities, as well as the remaining items of work included on each Project's Scope of Work.

BID DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY

Any person or bidder interested in participating in the bid shall be able to obtain the bid document free of charge by accessing the ASG website, Procurement Reform (Reforma de Compras) where they shall find the corresponding link to the referenced bid. Said document will be available on Monday, October 31, 2022. Any Proponent or person interested may also communicate and/or visit the office of the Bid Board at ASG (Tel. 787-759-7676) to obtain a physical copy of the bid document.

BID BOND

Each bidder shall include a bond ("Bid Bond") when submitting its bid or proposal based on the amount set forth in this auction's *Bid Document*. ASG will not accept a bond for an amount less than that established here or in the name of another entity other than those provided in the *Bidding Document*. Failure to comply with this requirement will lead to the rejection of the offer or the cancellation of the award.

VIRTUAL PRE-BID MEETING: MANDATORY.

Attendance to the virtual pre-bid meeting shall be <u>mandatory for every bidder submitting a bid proposal</u>. Any bidder that submits a bid proposal but fails to attend the virtual pre-bid meeting shall be disqualified. The virtual pre-bid meeting will be held next <u>Thursday</u>, <u>November 4</u>, <u>2022</u>, <u>at 1:00 pm</u>. Every bidder or interested person may join the pre-bid meeting on ASG's website, Procurement Reform. In addition, they must access the link to the above-referenced bid, which shall provide them with the option to connect to the "virtual pre-bid meeting".

SUBMISSION DUE DATE

Bids must be <u>received no later than Tuesday</u>, <u>November 29</u>, <u>2022</u>, <u>at 10:00 am</u>, and must be submitted viaemail to ofertas@asg.pr.gov and in-person at the Office of the Bid Board at the Minillas Government Center, North Tower, 12th Floor, San Juan, Puerto Rico. Bids received after the prescribed deadline will not be accepted. Failure to submit via both methods (in-person in a sealed envelope and by email) shall result in the bidder's disqualification.

BID OPENING TIME AND DATE:

Bid Opening will be held on <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>November 29, 2022</u>, <u>at 1:30 pm</u>. Every person interested in attending the Bid Opening, which will be held virtually, may access the same through ASG's website, Procurement Reform. In addition, interested persons must access the link to the above-referenced bid, which shall provide them with the option to connect to the "virtual bid opening."

PROTEST BID DOCUMENTS:

Any challenge to the Invitation and/or Documents of this Bid may be settled personally before the Assistant Administrator for the Procurement Area of ASG. The protest shall be filed within three (3) business days following the date on which the Board publishes this Bid's documents in the Single Registry of Bids (RUS, Spanish acronym). All objections to the Invitation and/or Documents of this Bid submitted after the due date established herein will be rejected. Objections must comply with the provisions of Regulation No. 9230, supra.

REGISTERED AND UNREGISTERED PROPOSERS

Proposers should follow instructions in this *Bid Documents* describing RUL registration timing and requirements.

WARNINGS:

- 1. ASG and/or the Bid Board may order the partial or total cancellation of the formal bid regardless of the stage of the bid, provided, that it is prior to the execution of any contract or the issuance of a purchase order, if it is in the best interest of the Government of Puerto Rico.
- 2. ASG may amend any invitation and/or Bid Documents, if it is in the best interest of the Government of Puerto Rico.
- 3. The General Services Administration and the Bid Board shall comply with the public policy on procurement preference provided by law.
- 4. Any notice or amendment to the bid documents with respect to the date announced herein shall prevail over those stated in this invitation.

In San Juan, Puerto Rico, on October 31, 2022.

Edmarie Avilés Almenas Secretary of the Bid Board

If you have any questions with regard to this Invitation to Formal Bid, you may contact the Office of the Secretary of the Bid Board at the following e-mail address: preguntas@asg.pr.gov.