

NOTICE INVITING GENERAL CONTRACTOR PREQUALIFICATION

Prequalification Questionnaires will be received by the **University of California, Irvine (UCI)** from General Contractors (GC) and/or C-20 Subcontractors wishing to submit bids for the:

**SCIP 21/22 EG AHU HUMIDIFIER REPLACEMENT
PROJECT NO. 5112771 / CONTRACT NO. 990600**

and

**SC23-24 INRF AIR HANDLER AH-6 AND AH-7 VFDS
PROJECT NO. 5113041 / CONTRACT NO. 997323**

DESCRIPTION:

SCIP 21/22 EG AHU Humidifier Replacement: Provide labor, material, equipment, and insurance to replace humidifiers for AH-6 and AH-7; and the building steam generator. A project Alternate to replace steam pipes on floor #1 may be included.

Construction Duration: 100 Calendar Days
Estimated Construction Cost: \$645,000

SC23-24 INRF Air Handler AH-6 and AH-7 VFDs: Provide labor, material, equipment, and insurance to add VFDs to AH-6 and AH-7. This work will be shown as Alternate #2 on the construction drawings.

Construction Duration: 100 Calendar Days
Estimated Construction Cost: \$100,000

PROJECT DELIVERY: Design Bid Build

PROCEDURES: Prequalification questionnaires will be available electronically at 4:00 PM on Friday, June 6, 2025 from UCI Design & Construction Services.

Mandatory Prequalification Conference begins promptly at 11:00 AM on Monday, June 16, 2025 by Zoom meeting at: <https://uci.zoom.us/j/96613319709>.

Prequalification questionnaires must be received via email to laditam@uci.edu by 5:00 PM on June 27, 2025.

PROJECT EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENTS:

- At least two (2) projects completed within the past 5 years, **LOCATED IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA FOR WHICH THE CONSTRUCTION COST OF THE MECHANICAL SCOPE OF WORK WAS AT LEAST \$600,000 EACH.**
- At least two (2) projects that were **CONSTRUCTED IN AN OCCUPIED BUILDING THAT INCLUDED THE REPLACEMENT OF MAJOR MECHANICAL EQUIPMENT** (i.e. Humidifier, Steam Generator, and/or Air-Handling Unit). Contractor to specify the equipment type and size; and describe strategies used to mitigate disruptions, maintain air quality, and ensure safety compliance.
- At least two (2) projects that involved the **INSTALLATION OR REPLACEMENT OF VARIABLE FREQUENCY DRIVES (VFDS)** rated at a minimum of 40 horsepower (HP) for air handling units, exhaust or supply fans, and/or pumps and integrated with **BUILDING AUTOMATION SYSTEM (BAS)**. Contractor to specify the equipment type, VFD size, BAS type, and describe any control-related challenges and resolutions.
- At least two (2) projects completed within the past 5 years that were **DELIVERED WITHIN A 100-CALENDAR-DAY CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE FOR WHICH THE CONSTRUCTION COST OF THE MECHANICAL SCOPE OF WORK WAS AT LEAST \$600,000 EACH.** Contractor to describe how schedule adherence was managed.
- At least one (1) project for which your firm **SELF-PERFORMED AT LEAST 10%** of the construction.

UCI reserves the right to reject any or all responses to this notice, to waive non-material irregularities, and to deem Contractors prequalified for the project. To prequalify, Contractors must agree to comply with all conditions including state prevailing wages, 10% bid bond, 100% payment and performance bonds, and insurance requirements. General "B" and/or C-20 Subcontractor California Contractors Licenses are required.

Every effort will be made to ensure that all persons have equal access to contracts and other business opportunities with the University within the limits imposed by law or University policy. Each Bidder may be required to show evidence of its equal employment opportunity policy. The successful bidder and its subcontractors will be required to follow the nondiscrimination requirements set forth in the bid documents and to pay prevailing wage rates at the location of the work.

In addition, the University is committed to promoting and increasing participation of small business enterprises (SBEs) and disabled veteran business enterprises (DVBES) relating to all goods and services covered under the awarded agreement, subject to any and all applicable obligations under state and federal law, and University policies. The awarded contractor shall make best efforts to provide qualified SBEs and DVBES with the maximum opportunity to participate. Direct all questions to the listed Contract Administrator.

The work described in the contract is a public work subject to section 1771 of the California Labor Code. No contractor or subcontractor, regardless of tier, may be listed on a Bid for, or engage in the performance of, any portion of this project, unless registered with the Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5 and 1771.1. This project is subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the Department of Industrial Relations.

The successful Bidder shall pay all persons providing services and/or any labor on site, including any University location, no less than the UC Fair Wage (defined as \$15 per hour) and shall comply with all applicable federal, state and local working condition requirements.

Contact Ladita McBride, Senior Contracts Analyst at (949) 824-1190 or laditam@uci.edu for the questionnaire. For other opportunities: <https://www.fm.uci.edu/> and www.designandconstruction.uci.edu.

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