



REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Mobile Maritime Domain Security Trailer

RFP 22-3

Abstract

This request for proposal is for the purchase of a Mobile Maritime Domain Security Trailer.

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Overview

Plaquemines Port Harbor & Terminal District (Plaquemines Port) is the “Gateway to the Mississippi River” that provides layered maritime domain security along the 100 miles of the lower Mississippi River to the Gulf of Mexico. Plaquemines Port is a member of the lower Mississippi River Port-Wide Strategic Security Council, a group comprised of the (5) deep-draft ports operating on the lower Mississippi River, that share a communications network, with the ability to share real-time video surveillance streams and utilize remote operation capabilities at each of the member ports through the integrated Maritime Security Operations Centers (MSOCs) at each of the ports.

Because Plaquemines Parish encompasses the last shipping lanes on the lower Mississippi River, it is the site of several oil refineries, which rely on the shipping lanes for moving their product. The Mississippi River Delta of Plaquemines is also a base for assistance to offshore oil rigs. Due to its vulnerable location, the Plaquemines Port maintains a readiness to respond to any emergency in the area, whether it be intentional, accidental or natural. Plaquemines Port also provides support to the United States Coast Guard Station (USCG) located in Venice, Louisiana, by continuously patrolling this vital link of the lower Mississippi River up to the Plaquemines Parish boundary at mile 81.7 AHP.

Plaquemines Port is located in the New Orleans Captain of the Port (COTP) Zone which is designated as the Federal Maritime Security Coordinator (FMSC). The Port area is included in the COTP’s responsibility of establishing the AMSC and developing an AMS Plan. Plaquemines Port is classified as a Tier I Port representing the highest security risk, based on the need for protection of critical port infrastructure from terrorism. Approximately 300 million tons of traffic pass through the Plaquemines Port annually. Unfortunately, along with this commerce comes the possibility of terrorist intent on conducting radical devastation and chaotic activity.

Plaquemines Port, charged with the responsibility of providing maritime security in its territorial jurisdiction, is also accountable for rescue operations, fire protection, and traffic control for Plaquemines Parish Government. This includes being designated as the motor vehicle authority stationed within 100 yards of both active Mississippi River ferry crossings at Belle Chasse and Point-à-la-Hache. These areas are extremely susceptible to terrorist-related activities whose objective is to cause the loss of innocent lives along with disruption of the flow of Mississippi River traffic.

Objectives

The Port's primary objective is to solicit sealed bids for a Mobile Maritime Domain Security Trailer up to 12' wide no longer than 46' long, including delivery complete with all utilities, electric, sewer, HVAC and plumbing.

This Request for Proposal (RFP) is issued to invite Proposers to submit proposal(s). Issuance of this RFP in no way constitutes a commitment by the Port to select a Proposer and/or award a contract. The Port reserves the right to accept or reject any of the proposals submitted and to waive any formalities.

Deliverables

Bids must be submitted on the Bid Form furnished for this purpose and must be filled out with ink, or typewritten, and signed in ink and submitted by time of the bid opening. Bidders shall provide pricing including any delivery charges, ownership documents, documentation of date built, descriptive literature and or complete manufacturer's specifications, pictures (interior and exterior) and all other necessary data in the proposed trailer.

Should the Bidder's trailer not comply with minimum specifications or requirements, Bidder shall provide detailed explanation as to the variances. Failure to explain exceptions to minimum bid specifications shall be cause for rejection of bid.

Insurance Requirements

During the term of the Contract, the successful proposer shall carry the following insurance coverages:

- A. Professional Liability Insurance coverage in the amount of \$1,000,000.00. The successful proposer shall provide a copy of the Certificate of Insurance to the Port.
- B. Workers Compensation Insurance at the full force and level required by law. Coverage should include maritime law coverage (Jones Act) if working over water.
- C. Commercial General Liability Insurance shall have a minimum limit per occurrence of \$1,000,000.00 and a minimum general aggregate of \$2,000,000.00.
- D. Automobile Liability Insurance covering all owned, hired and non-owned vehicles and equipment as required by law.

Award Selection

The purpose and intention of this invitation to bid is to afford all bidders an equal opportunity to bid on all material, supplies and/or equipment listed in this bid proposal. All equipment, materials and components are to be in good and sufficient condition and functional.

Proposals must be received via Sealed Bid by 2:00 PM Tuesday April 19, 2022.

Sealed bids will be received as follows: Hand Delivered:
Plaquemines Port, Harbor & Terminal District
Attention: Kerry Cosse', Marine Inspector
8056 Hwy 23 / 3rd Floor
Belle Chasse, LA 70037

Or Mailed to:
Plaquemines Port, Harbor & Terminal District
Attention: Kerry Cosse', Marine Inspector
P.O. Box 547
Belle Chasse, LA 70037

THIS BID PACKAGE MUST BE RETURNED IN ITS ENTIRETY. ALL BIDS SHALL BE PREPARED ON THE BID FORM AND RETURNED IN A SEALED ENVELOPE WITH THE APPROPRIATE BID ITEM SO MARKED ON THE OUTSIDE OF THE ENVELOPE. BID SPECIFICATIONS CAN ALSO BE ACQUIRED ON OUR WEBSITE: www.portofplaquemines.com. Failure to comply with these requirements may cause your bid to be disqualified.

Proposer is solely responsible for timely delivery of its proposals. Failure to meet the proposals opening date and time shall result in rejection of the proposals.

The Port reserves the right to reject any or all bids for just cause. Any such action will be in accordance with the Louisiana Revised Statute 38.

For questions or additional information please contact Kerry Cosse, Marine Inspector at (504) 682-7920 or kcosse@pphtd.com.

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