Tri-County Technical College intends to replace the existing fire protection system in our Pendleton Campus IBDC Building with a new system equivalent to SimplexGrinnell 4010 and to replace the existing fire protection system in our Pendleton Campus Fulp Hall Building with a new system equivalent to SimplexGrinnell 4100es.

The Term "Offer" Means Your "Bid" or "Proposal".

SUBMIT OFFER BY (Opening Date/Time): 3/02/2012 11:00 AM EST
QUESTIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY: 2/23/2012 11:00 AM See "Questions From Offerors" provision
NUMBER OF COPIES TO BE SUBMITTED: One Original and One Copy

Offers must be submitted in a sealed package. Solicitation Number & Opening Date must appear on package exterior.

SUBMIT YOUR SEALED OFFER TO EITHER OF THE FOLLOWING ADDRESSES:
MAILING ADDRESS:
Tri-County Technical College
PO Box 587
Pendleton, SC 29670

PHYSICAL ADDRESS:
7900 Highway 76
Ruby Hicks Library/Administration Bldg., Room 114
Pendleton, SC 29670

See "Submitting Your Offer" provision

CONFERENCE TYPE: Site Visit (non-mandatory)
DATE & TIME: 2/21/2012 2:00 PM
LOCATION: Tri-County Technical College
IBDC Building, 7900 Hwy 76,
Pendleton, SC 29670

AWARD & AMENDMENTS
Award notification will be posted at the Physical Address stated above on or about 3/07/2012. The award, this solicitation, and any amendments will be posted at the following web address:
http://www.tctc.edu/Content/About_TCTC/PurchasingSolicitation.xml

You must submit a signed copy of this form with Your Offer. By submitting a bid or proposal, You agree to be bound by the terms of the Solicitation. You agree to hold Your Offer open for a minimum of thirty (30) calendar days after the Opening Date.

NAME OF OFFEROR (Full legal name of business submitting the offer)

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE
(Person signing must be authorized to submit binding offer to enter contract on behalf of Offeror named above.)

TITLE (Business title of person signing above)

PRINTED NAME (Printed name of person signing above)

DATE SIGNED

OFFEROR'S TYPE OF ENTITY: (Check one)
- Sole Proprietorship
- Partnership
- Corporation (tax-exempt)
- Corporate entity (not tax-exempt)
- Government entity (federal, state, or local)
- Other _________________________

(See "Signing Your Offer" provision.)

STATE OF INCORPORATION (If offeror is a corporation, identify the state of incorporation.)

TAXPAYER IDENTIFICATION NO. (See “Taxpayer Identification Number” provision)

STATE VENDOR NO. (Register to Obtain S.C. Vendor No. at www.procurement.sc.gov)
HOME OFFICE ADDRESS (Address for offeror's home office / principal place of business)

NOTICE ADDRESS (Address to which all procurement and contract related notices should be sent.) (See "Notice" clause)

Area Code-Number - Extension Facsimile

E-mail Address

PAYMENT ADDRESS (Address to which payments will be sent.) (See "Payment" clause)

ORDER ADDRESS (Address to which purchase orders will be sent) (See "Purchase Orders and "Contract Documents" clauses)

Payment Address same as Home Office Address
Payment Address same as Notice Address (check only one)

Order Address same as Home Office Address
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ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF AMENDMENTS
Offerors acknowledges receipt of amendments by indicating amendment number and its date of issue. (See "Amendments to Solicitation" Provision)

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DISCOUNT FOR PROMPT PAYMENT
(See "Discount for Prompt Payment" clause)

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PREFERENCES - A NOTICE TO VENDORS (SEP. 2009): On June 16, 2009, the South Carolina General Assembly rewrote the law governing preferences available to in-state vendors, vendors using in-state subcontractors, and vendors selling in-state or US end products. This law appears in Section 11-35-1524 of the South Carolina Code of Laws. A summary of the new preferences is available at www.procurement.sc.gov/preferences. ALL THE PREFERENCES MUST BE CLAIMED AND ARE APPLIED BY LINE ITEM, REGARDLESS OF WHETHER AWARD IS MADE BY ITEM OR LOT. VENDORS ARE CAUTIONED TO CAREFULLY REVIEW THE STATUTE BEFORE CLAIMING ANY PREFERENCES. THE REQUIREMENTS TO QUALIFY HAVE CHANGED. IF YOU REQUEST A PREFERENCE, YOU ARE CERTIFYING THAT YOUR OFFER QUALIFIES FOR THE PREFERENCE YOU'VE CLAIMED. IMPROPERLY REQUESTING A PREFERENCE CAN HAVE SERIOUS CONSEQUENCES. [11-35-1524(E)(4)&(6)]

PREFERENCES - ADDRESS AND PHONE OF IN-STATE OFFICE: Please provide the address and phone number for your in-state office in the space provided below. An in-state office is necessary to claim either the Resident Vendor Preference (11-35-1524(C)(1)(i)&(ii)) or the Resident Contractor Preference (11-35-1524(C)(1)(iii)). Accordingly, you must provide this information to qualify for the preference. An in-state office is not required, but can be beneficial, if you are claiming the Resident Subcontractor Preference (11-35-1524(D)).

In-State Office Address same as Home Office Address
In-State Office Address same as Notice Address (check only one)
Extension, Questions & Answers

Extension: The bid due date has been extended to Friday, March 2 at 2:00 PM.

Questions & Answers:

1. Who will be responsible for the fire watch during the renovation of the fire alarm systems in the IBDC and Fulp Hall? It will be the owner’s responsibility.
2. With regards to the IBDC building specifically, since the codes do not require the fire alarm system to be in a raceway other than vertical runs (7) feet from the floor, is there any reason TCTC would require a full raceway system? No
3. Can the new network system be an EST system which can be networked? New system must be able to work on our current analog dial up system but have the capabilities to network in the future. The new system must have network system already installed for future use.
4. It looks like we got an equivalent to bid against that 4100 ES panel. What do we need to do to get the panels approved? Vendor to provide written proof with bid response that it is equivalent.
5. On the non-sprinkled job (Industrial Business & Development Center design build), I am assuming the occupancy would be existing/ non-sprinkled educational? Yes
6. Since that is non-sprinkled, will this building be “manual” or “complete” as defined by NFPA 72? We should at least know this so that we bid the same thing. I would assume it should be complete; however, this could be the call of the AHJ. What provisions for smoke detection throughout or in corridors are being considered with regards to this design, i.e. Manual system with NFPA 72 requirements of smoke detection in corridors only? This will be a complete system. Only smoke detection currently is in the HVAC duct work. It would be an automatic system for smoke in the hallways.
7. Will everyone be bidding a re-wire to this system? Yes
8. Are these required in Pipe? Or pipe where wire trays do not exist? What plenum requirements are there? Pipe where wire trays do not exist. Cables for plenum use should meet all requirements set by the UL910/NFPA 262 test.
9. You are showing a voice evac panel on this equivalent spec. Does the equivalent panel only need to have voice evac included or just have the capabilities? There is no mention of voice in the specifications; however, the data sheet for Simplex 4100ES shows a voice panel. Should meet data sheet for Simplex 4100ES system.
10. Currently, how are the duct detectors that exist being powered at each building - Locally through the HVAC system or by the fire alarm system? Currently how are the fans being shut down at each facility - again,
through the FA or locally? Will both require global fan shut-down? Locally thru fire panel. Same. No.

11. Are there any doors that would be propped in the design build that would require door holders to close fire doors at the design build (Industrial Business & Development Center design build)? No.

12. Please tell me you understand that networkable panels are proprietary in function. We can meet this specification for a networkable solution; however, you do understand that my networkable FA system will not communicate with a proprietary Simplex panel? Simplex is PROPRIETARY equipment. We are asking that each system in each building must be able in the future to work with some type of system that one system would be able to work with all panels to network.

13. Do these 2 buildings need to be networkable to each other? If so how? The panel specifications are different so I assume not. Each building’s system will be able to work with some type of system that one system would be able to work with all panels to network.

14. How will these systems be monitored? Will you supply phone lines? If so, where? Currently two telephone lines presently already hooked up to current system.

15. Would it be possible to get a to-scale blueprint of the building and the proposed system? We have a print that you would have to carry and have your own print made and return. We have no print of the proposed system.