

**INVITATION TO BID
Section 000130**

**Affiliated Engineers, Inc.
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**South Campus Steam System Improvements
RA1173987**

1. You are invited to bid on a General Contract for **the South Campus Steam Improvements project** located at **the University of Arkansas Fayetteville** for the Board of Trustees of the University of Arkansas acting for and on behalf of the University of Arkansas at **Fayetteville**, hereinafter termed Owner. The bids shall be on a lump sum basis.
2. There will be Pre-Bid Conference held at **University of Arkansas Facilities Management Building (FAMA), 521 South Razorback Road, Room A103 (Main Conference Room), Fayetteville, AR 72701 on Thursday, February 8, 2018 at 10:00 AM.** The Owner will not accept a bid from any Bidder failing to attend mandatory meeting(s). The University reserves the right to schedule additional meetings, if it determines them to be in its best interests.
3. The Owner will receive bids until **2:00 PM**, local time, **Thursday, February 22, 2018.** Bids may be mailed or delivered to the **University of Arkansas Administration Building, Administration 321, Attention Mr. James Ezell, Fayetteville, AR 72701,** hereinafter termed **the University of Arkansas Fayetteville.** Bids received after this time will not be accepted. Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at the time and date mentioned. Interested parties are invited to attend.
4. The Owner, unless designated to another entity, supervises the bidding and awarding of all construction contracts, approves contracts, change orders, requests for payment and ensures that on-site inspections are accomplished.
5. Complete plans and specifications (electronic .pdf format only) for this project can be obtained by contacting **Affiliated Engineers, Inc. 1414 Raleigh Road, Suite 305, Chapel Hill, NC 27517, Phone (919) 419-9802, Fax (919) 419-9802, Attn: LaDawn Sanders,** during normal office hours **after January 26, 2018.**
6. Obtaining contract documents through any source other than the Design Professional listed above, or his representative(s) is not advisable due to the risks of receiving incomplete or inaccurate information, and the bidder runs the risk of basing bidder's proposal on such information. The documents obtained through the Architect/Engineer or his representative(s) are considered the official version and take precedence if any discrepancies occur.
7. **Bid Security in the amount of five percent (5%) of the bid must accompany each bid in excess of \$ 20,000.00 in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders.**
8. Bidders are hereby notified that any bidder who desires to enter into Contract for this work must comply with disclosure requirements pursuant to Governor Executive Order 98-04. Submission to the Owner of completed Disclosure forms will be a condition of the Contract. The Owner cannot enter into any contract, which does not obligate the contractor to require the submission of Disclosure forms for subcontractors.

9. **Bidders are hereby notified that Arkansas Department of Labor Prevailing Wages Rates will apply.**
10. The Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids, and to waive any formalities.
11. This invitation does not commit the Owner to pay any cost incurred in the preparation of bids.
12. **Bidders shall conform to the requirements of the Arkansas licensing laws and regulations for contractors, and shall be licensed before his bid is submitted unless the project is federally funded and therefore excepted by Ark. Code Ann. §17-25-315. There shall be only one bid submitted per State Contractors license. Bidders will be required to indicate license number on bid form beneath signature when bidding \$ 20,000.00 or more.**
13. Pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 22-9-203, the State encourages all small and minority business enterprises to submit bids for capital improvements. Encouragement is also made to all general contractors that in the event they subcontract portions of their work, consideration be given to the identified groups.