Contractor Bid Request

New Commercial Boiler Installation at Child Care of the Berkshires

North Adams, MA

Child Care of the Berkshires is seeking bids from qualified contractors for the installation of a new commercial boiler system.

The chosen system is the Burnham V9-07 oil-fired boiler. The project will encompass the demolition and removal of the existing boiler, piping modifications, electrical power and controls, asbestos abatement at existing gate valve, permits, insulation, chimney flue installation, chimney liner installation, gas piping, and an optional dual-fuel burner (oil/natural gas).

Scope of Work:

Boiler Selection: Install a Burnham V9-07 oil-fired commercial boiler system or equivalent, capable of meeting the heating demands of Child Care of the Berkshires' facility and meeting all current State and City Energy Codes. Work to be completed by June 15, 2024.

Bid must include:

- Purchase of and installation of the boiler system
- Demolition and Removal: Safely demolish and remove the existing boiler system and associated components.
- Piping Modifications: Modify piping as required to comply with manufacturer's warranties and to ensure optimal functionality of the new boiler system.
- Electrical Power and Controls: Provide and install all necessary electrical components and controls for the proper operation of the new boiler system.
- Asbestos Abatement: Perform professional asbestos abatement at the existing 6" gate valve as needed to ensure a safe working environment.
- Permits: Obtain all required permits from relevant authorities for the installation of the new boiler system.
- Insulation: Properly insulate all relevant components and piping of the new boiler system to enhance energy efficiency and safety.
- Chimney Flue and Liner: Install a new flue connecting the boiler to the existing chimney. Additionally, install a suitable chimney liner to ensure proper ventilation.
- Gas Piping: Provide and install gas piping for the new boiler system. Include a connection for an optional dual-fuel burner (oil/natural gas).
- Optional Dual-Fuel Burner: Include an option for the installation of a dual-fuel burner that can operate on both oil and natural gas with a separate cost estimate.
- Optional Commercial Air Conditioner unit: Include an option for the installation of a commercial air conditioning.

Submission Requirements:

Interested contractors are required to submit a comprehensive bid proposal that includes the following information:

- Detailed breakdown of costs and scope of work.
- Information on the proposed Burnham V9-07 boiler or equivalent system, including specifications and any alternative options.
- Outline of the contractor's experience with similar projects and relevant certifications.
- Estimated timeline for completion of the project, including start and finish dates.
- Proof of insurance and any necessary licenses must be provided within ten (10) calendar days from the date when the written "Notice of Award" of the Contract. In case of failure by the Bidder, the Owner may, at their option, consider that the Bidder has abandoned the Contract.
- Bids furnished by "out-of-state" corporations will not be considered unless these Corporations can furnish evidence of proof to the Owner that a permit to transact business within the State of Massachusetts has been secured.
- The Contractor shall submit a construction schedule(s) with each Bid
- Bidders must satisfy themselves by personal examination of the location of the proposed Work, by
 examination of the Plans and Specifications, by reviewing the requirements of the Work and the
 accuracy of the estimates of the quantities of the Work to be done, and shall not at any time after the
 submission of a bid, dispute or complain of such estimates nor assert that there was any
 misunderstanding in regard to the nature or amount of work to be done.
- The Contract Documents including the detailed Plans contain the provisions required for the construction of the Project. No information obtained from any officer, agent, or employee of the Owner on any such matter shall in any way effect the risk or obligation assumed by the Contractor or relieve him from fulfilling any of the conditions of the Contract.
- Bid specifications may be obtained from CHILD CARE OF THE BERKSHIRES.
- Inspection trips may be scheduled for this project by contacting ADMINISTRATIVE Office of CHILD CARE OF THE BERKSHIRES, 413-663-6593.

All contracts must comply with the Title VI of Civil Rights Act of 1963, the Equal Opportunity Clause and MA Prevailing Wage. Contractors must have a valid license and liability insurance in the minimum amount of \$200,000.

Submission Deadline:

All bids must be submitted by September 8, 2023 to the following address:

210 State Street, North Adams, MA 01247

Contact Information:

For inquiries or to schedule a site visit, please contact Amy Hall at 413-663-6593 or ahall@ccberkshire.org.

Competitive Negotiation Procedures

Contract(s) for the work shall be awarded based on Competitive Negotiation Procedures. Award of contract shall be based on the Bidder(s) who submit the highest ranked proposal as that which is determined to be the most advantageous to the Owner, considering technical merit, price and other factors. **Although price is an important factor, the award may not necessarily be made to the Bidder submitting the lowest bid.**

Owner may make such investigations as he deems necessary to determine the ability of the Bidder to perform the work, and the Bidder shall furnish to Owner all such information and data for this as the Owner may request. The Owner may request some or all of the Bidder to appear before the Evaluation Committee and make a presentation of their proposals. The Owner reserves the right to reject any Bid if the evidence submitted by, or an investigation of, such Bidder fails to satisfy the Owner that such Bidder is properly qualified to carry out the obligations of the Agreement and to complete the work contemplated therein.

The following information shall be submitted as part of the Proposal:

Bidder's Proposal, Construction schedule

Unacceptable bidders.

The following will not be allowed to bid on, or negotiate for, a contract or subcontract related to the construction of the project:

- (1) The governing body's officers, employees, or agents;
- (2) Any member of the immediate family or partners in the entities referred to in paragraphs (1), (2) of this section; or
- (3) An organization which employs, or is about to employ, any person in the entities referred to in paragraphs (1), (2) of this section.

Owner: Amy Hall, President/CEO, Child Care of the Berkshires

Child Care of the Berkshires looks forward to reviewing your proposal and selecting a qualified contractor for this important project.