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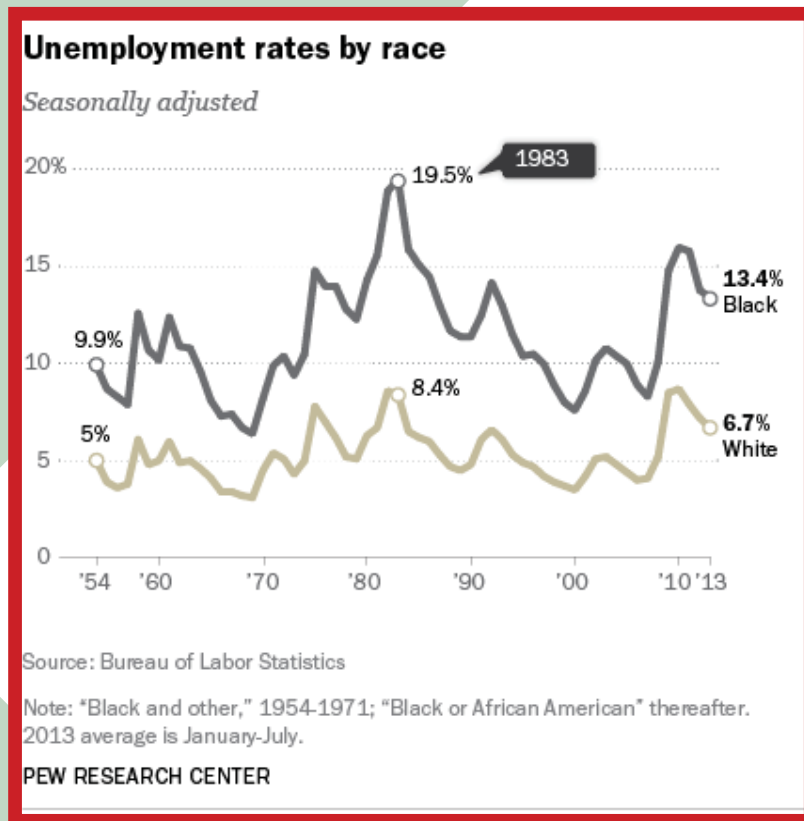
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DIVERSITY IN ACTION -

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## Black unemployment rate is consistently twice that of whites



**By Drew DeSilver**

Much has changed for African-Americans since the 1963 March on Washington (which, recall, was a march for "Jobs and Freedom"), but one thing hasn't: The unemployment rate among blacks is about double that among whites, as it has been for most of the past six decades.

In 1954, the earliest year for which the Bureau of Labor Statistics has consistent unemployment data by race, the white rate averaged 5% and the black rate averaged 9.9%. Last month, the jobless rate among whites was 6.6%; among blacks, 12.6%. Over that time, the unemployment rate for blacks has averaged about 2.2 times that

for whites.

The widest gaps, when black unemployment was as much as 2.77 times that of white unemployment, came in the late 1980s, as the manufacturing sectors that employed disproportionate shares of African-Americans shriveled. The smallest gaps, ironically, came in the summer of 2009 during the Great Recession; white unemployment rose so high, so fast, that the black jobless rate was "only" 1.67 times higher.

The black-white unemployment gap appears to have emerged in the 1940s, according to a 1999 analysis of Census data. Although labor economists, soci-

ologists and other researchers have offered many explanations for the persistent 2-to-1 gap — from the differing industrial distribution of black and white workers to a "skills gap" between them — there's no consensus on causes. One 2011 working paper, after reviewing existing research on wage and unemployment differentials among blacks and whites, concluded that "none of the existing models of race discrimination in the labor market explains the major empirical regularities."

One common explanation, as William A. Darity Jr. of Duke University told Salon in 2011, is that blacks are "the last to be hired in a good economy, and when there's a downturn, they're the first to be released." A 2010 article testing that "last hired, first fired" hypothesis against panel data from the Current Population Survey (from which the unemployment rate is derived) found consid-

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# BIDDING OPPORTUNITIES

RGW Construction Inc. is seeking all qualified DBE (Disadvantaged Business Enterprises) for the following project:

**State Highway in Solano County in and near Fairfield from 0.7 Mile West on Route 12 to Route 12/80 Separation and on Route 80 from Route 12/80 to Route 80/680 Separation**

**Caltrans Contract No. 04-0A5344**

**Federal Aid Project ACNHP-X095(025)N**

**Engineer Estimate: \$50,000,000 - 500 Working Days**

**Goal: DBE 10%**

**Bids: October 29, 2013 @ 2:00 PM**

**Requesting Sub-quotes for (including but not limited to)** Fabric & Oils, Construction Area Signs, Traffic Control, Cold Plane, Demolition/Bridge Removal, Clear & Grub, Hydroseeding, Erosion Control, Limetreatment, AC Dike, Grinding, Pile Driving, Prestressing Concrete Cast-in-place, Precast Concrete Girders, Concrete Block & Masonry Retaining Wall, Joint Seal, Rebar, Sign Structure, Signs Roadside, Rock Slope Protection, Concrete Curb & Sidewalk-Misc., Fencing, Object Marker, Metal Beam Guard Railing, Concrete Barrier, Thermoplastic Traffic Stripe & Marking, Painted Traffic Stripe & Marking, Pavement Marking Signal and Lighting, Message Signs, Lighting and Sign Illumination, Surveyor, Water Truck, Sweeper, Trucker, Storm Ground Underground, Waterline, Pipe Jacking, JPCP-PCC Paving, Lean Concrete Base, Rapid Strength Concrete Base, Quality Control, Rock Excavation/Blasting, Ground Improvements and Supply Import Borrow.

**Scope of Work:** Realign I-680 to connect directly with I-80/SR-12 intersection

RGW is willing to breakout any portion of work to encourage DBE participation. Contact us for a specific item list.

Plans and Specs are available to view and copy at our office or the Caltrans website [www.dot.ca.gov/hq/esc/oe/](http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/esc/oe/). Contact John Pitsch 925-606-2400 [johnp@rgwconstruction.com](mailto:johnp@rgwconstruction.com) for any questions, including bonding, lines of credit, or insurance or equipment or material suppliers. Subcontractors should be prepared to submit payment and performance bonds equal to 100% of their quotation. For bonding and other assistance, please call.

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REQUESTING BIDS FROM QUALIFIED DVBE SUBCONTRACTORS AND SUPPLIERS FOR THE FOLLOWING PROJECT:

**Route 4 Stockton Crosstown Viaduct  
San Joaquin County**

**Caltrans Project #10-0S1104**

**Bid Date: October 16, 2013 at 2:00 pm**

This is a highway project with the typical items of work associated, but not limited to: Aggregate, Rip Rap Material, Bridge Deck Overlay, CIDH Pile, Clear and Grubbing, Concrete Barrier, Concrete Crack Sealing, Construction Area Signs, Consult - Enviro Compliance, Core and Saw, Demo Bridge, Demo Minor, Earthwork and Base, Imported Borrow, Electrical H'Way, Fence & MBGR, Minor Flat Concrete, Joint Seals, K-Rail, Landscape, Erosion Control, Metal Bridge Rail, Minor Concrete Structure, Pavement Grinding, Paving PCC, Plane A C, Paving ASPH Concrete, A C Dike and Misc, Pile Drive, Pipe - Coor Steel, Precast Concrete Pipe, Prestress Concrete, Ready Mix Concrete, Rebar, Rock Slope Protect, Sign Structures, Signs Roadside, Stripe and Mark, Structure Excavate Bridge, Structure Excavate Site, Traffic Control, Trucking.

C.C. Myers, Inc. is willing to break down items of work into economically feasible units to encourage DVBE participation. If you are interested in any of this work, please provide us with a scope letter or contact us immediately. Plans and Specifications are available from Caltrans at: [www.dot.ca.gov/hq/esc/oe/](http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/esc/oe/).

Conditions or exceptions in Subcontractor's quote are expressly rejected unless expressly accepted in writing. Subcontractor and Supplier quotes are required 24 hours prior to the bid date to enable thorough evaluation.



## C.C. Myers, Inc.

3286 Fitzgerald Rd. • Rancho Cordova, CA 95742 • 916-635-9370 • Fax 916-635-1527

Each Subcontractor shall be prepared to submit faithful performance and payment bonds equal to 100% of their quotation. The Contractor will pay standard industry rates for these bonds.

Contact C. C. Myers, Inc. for assistance with bonds, insurance, lines of credit, equipment, supplies or project plans and specifications. C.C. Myers, Inc., is a Union Contractor.

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WE ARE REQUESTING QUOTES FROM ALL CERTIFIED DVBE/MBE/DBE/WBE CONTRACTORS FOR THE FOLLOWING PROJECT:

**Monroe Elementary School, Project No. 11501  
260 Madrid Street, San Francisco, CA 94112**

**BID DATE/TIME:**

**Tuesday, October 15, 2013 @ 2:00 PM**

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Extensive modernization and voluntary partial seismic strengthening: Modernize existing building including but not limited to construction of accessible restrooms, new finishes throughout, remodel all classrooms, provide new casework, provide new warming kitchen, modernize and expand multipurpose room, modernize library, braced frame modifications and footing upgrades, fire sprinkler & fire alarm systems, and hazmat abatement. Disconnect and demolish (e) portable classroom & toilet buildings. Site work including but not limited to replacement of fence & gates, play structure modifications and new safety mats, ADA ramps & door landings, Hazmat abatement, and resurfacing and striping of yard.

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**PLA/PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENT**

Plans are available to view at the Fine Line Construction office or you can contact us in writing and request that we send them electronically to you. You may also purchase or view them at the following locations: ARC Northern California; Asian Inc; Most all Northern CA Builder Exchanges; EBidboard; El Dorado Builder Exchange; Marin Builders Association; McGraw-Hill/Dodge-Daily Pacific Builder; Reed Construction Data; Sub-Hub.

**Trades Needed (but not limited to):** SITE CONSTRUCTION, CONCRETE, METALS, WOOD AND PLASTICS, THERMAL AND MOISTURE PROTECTION, DOORS AND WINDOWS, FINISHES, SPECIALTIES, EQUIPMENT, FURNISHINGS, SPECIAL CONSTRUCTION, MECHANICAL, ELECTRICAL, AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS.

**PLEASE SEND BIDS TO (415) 512-7688 NO LATER THAN 1:00 PM ON THE DATE OF BID**

*Fine Line Construction is signatory to the Carpenter's and Laborer's Agreements. Successful Subcontractors will be expected to execute a standard Fine Line Construction Subcontract Agreement.*

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We are requesting bid quotations from all DVBE, SBE, CBE, WBE, & MBE Subcontractors and Suppliers for the following:

**Project: Monroe Community Wellness Center 9119 Haskell Avenue, North Hills, CA 91343**

Description: Design-Build, New 1-story building. Wood frame structure. Approximately 13,600 SF.

- Prevailing Wage
- Local hiring requirements

**Bid Due Date: October 18, 2013 at 2pm**

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Contact: **Monica Jimenez (626) 304-1190**  
199 S. Los Robles, Suite 300 • Pasadena, CA. 91101

# BIDDING OPPORTUNITIES

## Sukut Construction, LLC

Is requesting sub-bids/supplier quotes from qualified SBE, VSBE, MBE, WBE, DVBE, LBE, and OBE Subcontractors, Suppliers, and Manufacturers for the following (but not limited to) work:

### Subcontractors

Electrical, Electrical Trenching, Rail Installation, Asphalt Paving, Concrete Paving, Concrete Curb & Gutter, Demolition, Structural Steel Erection, Fence and Barriers, Painting, Striping, Hazardous Material Removal, Reinforcing Steel, Survey

### Vendors

Reinforced Concrete Pipe, PVC Pipe, Ductile Iron Pipe & Fittings, Ready Mix Concrete, Aggregates, K Rail, Misc. Metal, Pre-Fab Buildings, Pre-Fab Canopy, Signs, Trucking, Temporary Offices, Geotextiles, Pre-Cast Concrete Vaults, CPM Scheduling, SWPPP

### HARBOR DEPARTMENT of the CITY OF LOS ANGELES

#### Port of Los Angeles

#### Berths 142-143 Backland Improvements

#### San Pedro, CA

#### Specification No. 2756

#### BID DATE October 15, 2013 @ 2:45 p.m.

#### Sub & Vendor Bids Due Prior



## Sukut Construction, LLC

4010 W. Chandler Avenue, Santa Ana, CA 92704

Contact: Steve Reiser

Phone: (714) 540-5351 • Fax: (714) 545-2003 • Email: estimating@sukut.com

Plans/specs are available from owner and for viewing at our office – please call for an appointment. Subcontractors must be prepared to furnish 100% performance and payment bonds and possess current insurance and workers' comp coverage. Sukut Construction will assist Qualified Subcontractors in obtaining bonds, insurance, and/or lines of credit. Please contact Sukut Construction for assistance in responding to this solicitation. Subcontractors/Vendors will be required to sign Sukut's Standard Subcontract/Purchase Order. Copies are available for examination.

Sukut Construction's listing of a Subcontractor in its bid to the agency is not to be construed as an acceptance of all of the Subcontractor's conditions or exceptions included with Subcontractor's price quotes. Quotations must be valid for the same duration as specified by Owner for contract award.

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## REQUESTING SUB-BIDS

From All Qualified Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE) and other Small Businesses (SBE, WBE, MBE, VOSB, , Other) Subcontractors/Sub-consultants/Suppliers/Vendors registered as a DBE or small business for:

### Lakeview Avenue Railroad Grade Separation Project Specification No. 02-2034

Owner: Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA)

Reyes Construction is requesting bids for: (Subcontractors) Asphalt Grinding, Architectural Treatment, Asphalt Concrete, Bar Reinforcing, Bottom Trucks, Concrete Barriers, Concrete Pavement, Demolition, Drainage Structures, End Dump Truck, Excavation, Fencing, Jack & Bore, Landscape and Irrigation, Metal Railing, Minor Concrete, MSE Walls, Pile Driving, Pre-Cast Girders, Sanitary Sewer System, Shoring, Storm Drain System, Street Lighting, Street Sweeping, Striping & Signage, Structural Concrete, Surveying, Traffic Control, Traffic Signals, Trucking, Water System, Water Trucks (Suppliers): Aggregate Products, Asphalt, BMP/SWPPP Materials, Concrete Piles, Detectable Warning Surface, Drainage System Supplier, Filter Fabric Geocomposite Drain, Miscellaneous Metals, Plastic Pipe, Pre-cast Concrete, Ready Mix Concrete, Reinforced Concrete Pipe, Riprap, Steel Casing, Steel Pipes, Traffic Control Equipment & Materials, VCP Pipe, Waterworks Material.

**BID DATE: October 29, 2013 @ 11:00 am**

## Reyes Construction, Inc.

State License Number 507561

1383 South Signal Drive, Pomona, CA 91766

Phone: 909-622-2259 • Fax: 909-622-3053

Contact: Estimating Mon-Fri 8am-5pm

Assistance will be available for obtaining Bonds, Lines of Credit, and/or Insurance, necessary equipment, supplies, materials or related assistance services.

Plans and Specifications can be viewed online at no additional cost at

- 1.) <http://www.bidmail.com/Sublogin.aspx> (To request an invite please email [estimating@reyesconstruction.com](mailto:estimating@reyesconstruction.com))
- 2.) OCTA website <https://camnet.octa.net/procurements/landing/Default.aspx?id=22034#>

Please fax quotes to: 909.622.3053

RGW Construction Inc. is seeking all qualified DBE (Disadvantaged Business Enterprises) for the following project:

### State Highway in Placer County in and near Loomis, Penryn, Newcastle, Weimar, and Magra from 0.1 Mile West of Brace Road Overcrossing to 0.1 Mile East of Magra Overcrossing

Caltrans Contract No. 03-3E1004 • DBE Goal: 13%  
Engineer Estimate: • \$20,000,000 - 90 Working Days

Bids: October 22, 2013 @ 2:00 PM

Requesting Sub-quotes for (including but not limited to) Fabric and Oils, Construction Area Signs, Traffic Control, Raise Iron-Utilities, Cold Plane, Demolition/Bridge Removal (portion), Clear & Grub, Landscaping, Hydroseeding, Erosion Control, Irrigation, AC Dike, Joint Seal, Reinforcing Steel, Sign Structure, Signs Roadside, Concrete Curb & Sidewalk-Misc., Fencing, Object Marker, MBGR, Metal Railing, Concrete Barrier, Thermoplastic & Painted Traffic Stripe & Marking, Pavement Marking, Signal and Lighting, Message Signs, Lighting & Sign Illumination, SWPPP, Water Truck, Sweeper, Polyester Concrete Overlay & Trucker.

#### Scope of Work: Improving Vertical Clearance

RGW is willing to breakout any portion of work to encourage DBE participation. Contact us for a specific item list.

Plans and Specs are available to view and copy at our office or the Caltrans website [www.dot.ca.gov/hq/esc/oe/](http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/esc/oe/). Contact **Derrick Woods 925-606-2400** [derrick.woods@rgwconstruction.com](mailto:derrick.woods@rgwconstruction.com) for questions, including bonding, lines of credit, or insurance or equipment or material suppliers. Subcontractors should be prepared to submit payment and performance bonds equal to 100% of their quotation. For bonding and other assistance, please call.

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## Black unemployment rate

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erable support for the “first fired” part but not for the “last hired” part: Blacks are in fact disproportionately likely to lose their jobs as the business cycle weakens, but the hiring side is more complex: “[E]arly in the business cycle, those blacks with a stronger attachment to the labor force (i.e., the unemployed) are the first hired. Blacks who are nonparticipants tend to be hired late in the business cycle when labor demand is particularly strong.”

Source: 2013 Pew Research Center



# PUBLIC LEGAL ADVERTISEMENTS

## SAN JOSE STATE UNIVERSITY

**NOTICE TO PROPOSERS  
REQUEST FOR STATEMENT  
OF QUALIFICATIONS  
For  
Modified Design-Build Project  
CAMPUS VILLAGE PHASE 2,  
Project Number: SJSU-279  
San Jose State University  
One Washington Square  
San Jose, CA 95192-0010**

The Trustees of the California State University (Trustees) are requesting Statements of Qualifications (SOQ) from interested and qualified entities herein called Respondents who wish to participate in a competitive selection process for the design and construction of the Campus Village Phase 2, Project Number SJSU-279 at San Jose State University. The Project is approximately an 850 bed student resident hall, 10 stories, 221,000 GSF, and will include common study rooms, multi-purpose lounge, learning center, recreation space, music room and other support spaces. The Project is located at the corner of 9th Street and Paseo de San Carlos, across from the existing Campus Village Phase 1.

The delivery method for this project is modified from CSU's design-build process and is called Design-Risk. In this new process the design build team, consisting of general contractor and architect, is selected based on qualifications and fees. The schematic design competition is not utilized. A contract will be executed with the successful Respondent for programming and schematic design. Upon acceptance of schematic design, a design build contract with a guaranteed maximum price will be executed to complete the design for construction. A non-mandatory presentation of this process is scheduled for October 15, 2013 at 10:00am and all interested parties are invited. The location of the presentation is given in the RFQ. Attendees are asked to pre-register not later than October 14, 2013 by calling the Facilities Development and Operations' office at 408-924-1950.

Respondents must hold a General Building Contractor (B License) and shall be prequalified with the Trustees, and shall submit their prequalification application no less than 10 business days prior to submittal date. For information regarding prequalification please go to [http://www.calstate.edu/cpdc/cm/contractor\\_prequal\\_bidders.shtml](http://www.calstate.edu/cpdc/cm/contractor_prequal_bidders.shtml).

The SOQ Submittal Due Date is October 31, 2013. The estimated Construction Cost is given in the RFQ.

Interested parties may obtain an RFQ after October 1, 2013 by registering at <http://www.planetbids.com/portal/portal.cfm?CompanyID=15275#>. Once registration is completed, log into planetbids.com at <http://www.planetbids.com/hub/hub.cfm> and search for "Campus Village Phase 2, Project Number: SJSU-279" and download the RFQ.

The Trustees require a three percent Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise participation. This project is public works project and is subject to prevailing wages rate laws.

**Please direct all questions in writing to:**

**Sylvia Sosa-Galindo  
Sr. Contracts Specialist  
San Jose State University  
Facilities Development & Operations  
One Washington Square  
San Jose, CA 95192-0010  
Email: [sylvia.sosa@sjsu.edu](mailto:sylvia.sosa@sjsu.edu)  
Phone: 408-924-2246**



## CITY & COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

**NOTICE TO SUBCONTRACTORS  
REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS  
DESIGN ASSIST CORE TRADE  
SUBCONTRACTORS  
MOSCONI CONVENTION CENTER  
FACILITIES EXPANSION PROJECT  
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA  
JOB No. 7731A-01 – Electrical;  
7731A-02 – Mechanical;  
7731A-03 – Plumbing; 7731A-04 – Low Voltage  
7731A-05 – Structural Steel; 7731A-06 – Fire  
Protection; 7731A-07 – Curtain Wall**

The City and County of San Francisco (City) seeks responses to a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) from Core Trade Subcontractors interested in bidding the Design Assist scope of work on the contract for the Moscone Convention Center Facilities Expansion Project located in San Francisco, California.

The City seeks Core Trade Subcontractors with significant experience in major urban, multi-story civic, institutional or convention center projects including providing design assist services. Qualified Core Trade Subcontractors shall have successfully completed projects that are LEED@ Gold certified or higher.

Core Trade Subcontractors selection will be a three step process: (1) Core Trade Subcontractors prequalification, (2) Prequalified Core Trade Subcontractors will submit bids for Design Assist services only, and (3) If the proposed project is approved and CEQA review is completed, the selected Core Trade Subcontractor will submit a bid for construction for the project. Core Trade Subcontractors who are evaluated and deemed pre-qualified to perform work will be invited to submit a bid for design-assist services. Core Trade

Subcontractors who do not submit the pre-qualification information will not be allowed to bid for design-assist services.

The potential environmental impacts of the proposed Project must be evaluated through the CEQA review process. The City is in the process of environmental review with Planning Department's consultant, with a current anticipated schedule of completing the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) or Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) process by September 2014. Construction work will not commence until the CEQA review process is completed, the City approves the Project, and the City notifies the General Contractor that it may begin construction work. If the City does not approve the Project, the construction work will not commence and any Agreements will be terminated.

If the City, in its sole discretion, chooses to recommend any of the contract work to the Moscone Expansion District for its approval, the Core Trade Subcontractor will be asked to comply with all City contract requirements, including those of the City's Contract Monitoring Division (CMD) of the General Services Administration. Additionally, the Core Trade Subcontractor's contract would be novated to the Moscone Expansion District (MED) which in turn would novate the contract to the CM/GC. Eventually, Core Trade Subcontractor may be required to provide bid bond and payment and performance bond in the event the proposed project is approved for construction.

The estimated date for issuing the Notice to Proceed (NTP) for Design Assist services is December 2013.

Trade Subcontractors shall submit and will be evaluated on information with respect to their requisite experience on projects of similar size, scope and complexity. The information shall include general and specific experience, claim and surety history, financials, ability to meet schedule and budget requirements and experience in general management and coordination. Resumes

of key personnel who will manage and supervise the construction shall be provided in the RFQ response.

Each Core Trade Subcontractors must hold a valid contractor license in their respective fields at the time of response to the RFQ. For Electrical (C10), Mechanical (C20), Plumbing (C36), Low Voltage (C7), Structural Steel (C51), Fire Protection (C16), Curtain Wall (B-General Building) and must demonstrate the ability to obtain corporate surety (payment & performance) bonds and insurance in order to be eligible for the pre-qualification (RFQ) evaluation. RFQ packages are available from the City only. Interested Core Trade Subcontractors should contact <https://stgint.sfdpw.org/biddocs/pages/default.aspx> to receive a RFQ package.

Core Trade Subcontractors shall submit four (4) copies of their RFQ responses no later than 2:00 p.m. on October 18th, 2013, to Department of Public Works, 30 Van Ness Avenue, Suite 4100, San Francisco, CA, 94102.

The City at its own discretion may conduct interviews with any or all of the Subcontractors responding to the RFQ to better determine their qualifications to perform work required under the project.

The evaluation of the RFQ is solely for the purpose of determining Core Trade Subcontractors who would be deemed qualified to bid for and perform the work outlined in this RFQ.

The City reserves the right to reject any or all responses to the RFQ and to waive minor discrepancies in any response received.

10/10/13

**CNS-2543250#**

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