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PRE-BID INTERPRETATION No. 1

Date: November 1, 2023
To: All Plan Holders
Project: Vancouver City Centre Healthcare Facility (BidCentral # 2023-005025)
Bid Calling Authority: Lower Mainland Health Authorities Facility Management

As allowed under Rule 1. F. Pre-Bid Interpretations, we are hereby issuing the following clarification to all plan holders. Unless defined herein the Standard Exclusions will apply; *General Contractors are responsible to include all work that may be excluded from a BidCentral Online Bidding for Subcontractor's (BOBS) Bid as they deem necessary.* This document does not imply a requirement to include work not specified.

NOTICE: New BOBS Bidding Platform

BidCentral has developed a new, straightforward bidding system for BOBS. The new system keeps BOBS Bidders in the BOBS Wizard with no external website. It also allows BOBS Bidders to bid to all General Contractors at one time.

The process for General Contractors receiving BOBS Bids is also changing. General Contractors will now access their BOBS Bids directly via the BidCentral Website.

Visit BOBS Active Project Listings at www.bidcentral.ca/bobs

Webinar: "How to Submit a BOBS Trade Bid on the new BidCentral BOBS Bidding Platform"

BidCentral is hosting a webinar for BOBS trade Bidders (mechanical and electrical.) The purpose is to provide an overview of the new BOBS Bid submission process to confirmed General Contractors.

BOBS M&E Bidders are strongly encouraged to attend, with no limit to the number of attendees each firm can register.

General Contractors are also strongly encouraged to attend, with no limit to the number of attendees each firm can register. This webinar will cover the new process to retrieve their BOBS Bids.

Date: November 8, 2023

Time: 10:00 am PT

Register: https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_4P1PLTeQSh29kuqJ50Oucw

A recording will be made available.

General Contractors are encouraged to forward this notice to all mechanical and electrical contractors to whom they have issued copies of the project documents and invited to bid.

Rules of Procedure for BOBS

BOBS is governed by The Rules of Procedure. They are available [here](#).

All BOBS Bidders – Bid Submission Process

To submit a BOBS bid, use the BOBS Wizard, which can be accessed through the BOBS Active Project Listings at www.bidcentral.ca/bobs.

E-bonds are accepted only from Mobile Bonds, Trisura and Xenex Enterprises on the BOBS Appendix C, Bond Form. Refer to the Rules 3(F) for further information on bonding.

General Contractors Registration (process changes noted in green)

General Contractors must confirm their GC Intention to Bid no later than two (2) Working Days (to the hour) prior to the BOBS closing date and time as per the requirements in the BOBS Rules of Procedure.

To confirm a GCs Intention to Bid, use the BOBS Wizard, which can be accessed through the BOBS Active Project Listings at www.bidcentral.ca/bobs. For the purposes of registration, use the BidCentral number noted above.

When registering you will provide your contact information for communications and **receiving the BOBS Bids via their BidCentral Bids Portal** and must declare and identify any BOBS trades they will be Bidding Own Forces.

Each General Contractor will receive a notification to the provided email address to access their BOBS Bids via a secure unique link after BOBS closing. **This secure link will take them to their Bids Portal which will be available through that BidCentral account.**

Mechanical

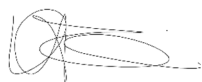
This Bid shall include Division 21 Fire Suppression, Division 22 Plumbing, Division 23 HVAC and Division 25 Integrated Automation. Appendix A, Standard Exclusions shall apply; General Contractors shall include for the work as they deem necessary.

Electrical

This Bid shall include Electrical Specifications Divisions 26 Electrical, Division 27 Communications and Communication Specification drawings T-5 and T-6 and Division 28 Electronic Safety and Security. Appendix A, Standard Exclusions shall apply; General Contractors shall include for the work as they deem necessary.

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Katy E. Fairley, Administrator

All Plan Holders should ensure that copies of this Pre-Bid Interpretation are forwarded to all those to whom they have issued copies of the project documents.