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PRE-BID INTERPRETATION No. 1

Date: September 20, 2024
To: All Plan Holders
Project: VGH Emergency Department Expansion (BidCentral # 2024-005508)
Bid Calling Authority: Facilities Management for Vancouver Coastal Health Authority

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.

Rules of Procedure for BOBS & Resources

BOBS is governed by The Rules of Procedure. They are available [here](#). Further help resources 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* on the BOBS Appendix C, Bond Form and electronically signed and sealed by a provider meeting the criteria and intent of the language provided here <https://suretycanada.com/common/Uploaded%20files/SAC-Files/PDFs/SAC-E-bonding-Sample-Language--English-March2020.pdf>. Refer to the Rules 3(F) for further information on bonding.

General Contractors Registration

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 20 Mechanical, 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 Division 26, Division 27 and Division 28. Appendix A, Standard Exclusions shall apply; General Contractors shall include for the work as they deem necessary.

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BidCentral Online Bidding for Subcontractors per;

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.