NOTICE OF CALL FOR BIDS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sealed bids will be received and publicly opened in the Commissioners' Hearing Room, 1800 Continental Place, Mount Vernon, Washington, 98273 on **Monday, November 13, 2023**, at the hour of **1:30 p.m.**, or as soon thereafter as possible, for the following work for Skagit County:

PROJECT TITLE: MOBILE MARINE REFUELING SERVICES FOR THE VEHICLE AND PASSENGER FERRY, M/V GUEMES

Skagit County is seeking bids for mobile marine refueling services. Work to be completed under this contract provides for: the purchase and delivery of marine fuel (diesel) for the vehicle and passenger ferry, M/V Guemes, in accordance with the Contract Specifications, General Provisions, Addenda, Instruction to Bidders, Vendor Services Agreement, and other related documents. The annual estimated quantity is approximately 62,000 gallons. The contract for this service shall be for a period of two (2) years, without amendment. The agreement may be extended for up to two (2) additional successive terms of one (1) year each, on the same terms and conditions as the original agreement (at the sole option and discretion of the County). In the event that the County elects to so extend the agreement, it shall provide the Contractor with written notice of extension at least thirty (30) days prior to expiration of the agreement.

Bid documents, specifications, and addenda for this project may be obtained beginning October 26, 2023, from the office of the Skagit County Public Works Department, 1800 Continental Place, Mount Vernon, Washington, 98273-5625. You may receive the bid information electronically; copies are available at www.skagitcounty.net/rfp.

All questions or correspondence relating to this bid shall be in writing and submitted **no later than 4:00 p.m., Thursday, November 2, 2023** to Rachel Rowe, Ferry Operations Division Manager, at 1800 Continental Place, Mount Vernon, WA 98273, or by e-mail to rrowe@co.skagit.wa.us with the subject line reading, "Mobile Marine Refueling Services". All addenda will be posted on-line for this project by 4:00 p.m., Monday, November 6, 2023.

All bid envelopes must be plainly marked on the outside, "Sealed Bid, Mobile Marine Refueling Services for the Vehicle and Passenger Ferry, M/V Guemes". Sealed bids shall be received by one of the following delivery methods no later than Monday, November 13, 2023 at the hour of 1:30 p.m.

- Hand-delivered: Bids delivered in person shall be received only at the office of the SKAGIT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, Reception Desk, 1800 Continental Place, Suite 100, Mount Vernon, WA 98273.
- 2. Via mail: Bids shall be mailed to the SKAGIT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, 1800 Continental Place, Suite 100, Mount Vernon, WA 98273.

Proposals are to be submitted on the forms provided in the bid proposal packet. Incomplete proposals and proposals received after the time fixed for opening cannot be considered. Oral, telephonic, telegraphic, electronic or faxed proposals will not be accepted.

BID GUARANTY: No bid will be considered unless accompanied by a surety company bid bond, or a certified or cashier's check payable to the order of Skagit County for a sum of five percent (5%) of the total bid amount. No Performance and Payment Bond will be required for this contract service.

TITLE VI: Skagit County, in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, (78 Stat. 252, 42 U.S.C. 2000d to 2000d-4) and the Regulations, hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged business enterprises will be afforded full and fair opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in consideration for an award.

For questions regarding Skagit County's Title VI Program, you may contact the Public Works Department's Title VI Coordinator, Michael See, at (360) 416-1400.

The Board of Skagit County Commissioners reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Clerk of the Board

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