

TOWN OF TRUMBULL, CONNECTICUT
REQUEST FOR QUOTATION (RFQ)
FOUR COLUMN MOBILE LIFTING SYSTEM

RFQ 6009

DUE: September 11, 2013, 2013 at 3:00 PM

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

The Town of Trumbull, Connecticut (hereinafter referred to as Town), through the Office of the Purchasing Agent, will accept sealed bids for a **FOUR COLUMN MOBILE LIFTING SYSTEM** for the Town Highway Department as detailed in the attached specifications.

1. **PREPARATION OF PROPOSALS**

- a) Bids shall be submitted by using the enclosed BID PROPOSAL FORM that accompanies this request. Submit one (1) ORIGINAL and one (1) EXACT COPY. Bidders should submit bids in a clear, concise and legible manner to permit proper evaluation of responsive bids.
- b) Bidders may also submit, under separate cover with their proposal, any samples of reports and documents that are necessary to meet the requirements (deliverables) of this request should a purchase order be awarded

2. **BID SUBMISSION**

Bids are to be submitted in DUPLICATE and sealed in a sealed envelope and addressed as follows:

Bid 6009 - Due: September 11, 2013, 2013

Purchasing Agent - Town of Trumbull
5866 Main Street, Trumbull, CT 06611

Be advised that the person signing the formal proposal must be authorized by you organization to contractually bind your firm with regard to prices and related contractual obligations for the delivery period requested.

3. **BID TIME AND BID FORMS**

- a) Bids shall be received at the office of the Purchasing Agent, Town Hall, prior to the advertised hour of opening, at which time all proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud.
- b) A bidder may withdraw a proposal at any time prior to the above scheduled date and time. **Any bid received after the above scheduled date and time shall not be considered or opened.**
- c) All bid documents contained herein must be completed in their entirety; failure to do so may disqualify a bid.

4. **TOWN OPTIONS**

- a) The Town of Trumbull reserves the right to reject any and all bids and does not bind itself to accept the lowest bid or any proposal. The Town reserves the right to ask for new bids in whole or in part, or to reject any or all bids, or any part thereof, and to waive any requirements, irregularities, technical defects or service therein when it is deemed to be in the best interest of the Town.
- b) If a bid proposal does not meet or better the required specifications, requirements, and scope of work requested on all points that must be outlined in a letter attached to the bid proposal otherwise it will be presumed that the bid as proposed is in accordance with the required specifications.
- c) If your product does not meet or better the required specifications on all points that must be outlined in a letter otherwise it will be presumed that a proposal is in accordance with the required specifications.
- d) In addition to consideration of a favorable bid, the Purchasing Department may give consideration to the most favorable delivery date and past experience.

5. **TAXES**

All purchases made by the Town, and associated with the award of this requirement shall be tax exempt. Any taxes must not be included in bid prices. A Town Tax Exemption Certificate shall be furnished upon request.

6. **INQUIRIES**

- a) All inquiries regarding this request shall be answered up to the close of business on **September 9, 2013**, after which time no additional questions will be accepted. To ensure consistent interpretation of certain items, answers to questions the Town deems to be in the interest of all bidders will be made available in writing or by Fax as appropriate to all bidders. Inquiries of a technical nature may be directed to **Mr. Joseph Mitre (203-650-5071) jmitri@trumbull-ct.gov**.
- b) The Town reserves the right to communicate with any or all of the bidders to clarify the provisions of Proposals. The Town further reserves the right to request additional information from any bidder at any time after proposals are opened.
- c) **It is the sole responsibility of a bidder to verify any addendums that may have been issued relating to this request prior to submission of a proposal. Any notice of addendum shall be published on the Purchasing Department Website www.trumbull-ct.gov. Failure to submit a response that does not address any changes or addendums may result in a disqualification of a proposal submission.**

7. **AWARD AND AUTHORITY**

The Town will issue notification of award in the form of a Purchase Order.

8. **PRICING**

- a) All prices quoted are to be firm for a period of one (1) year following bid opening.
- b) Special Consideration will be given to responses with extended firm price dates. The Town is always interested in any and all cost reduction opportunities.

9. **ASSIGNMENT OF RIGHTS, TITLES, AND INTERESTS**

Any assignment or subcontracting by a bidder, vendor, or contractor for work to be performed, or goods and/or services to be provided, in whole or in part, and any other interest in conjunction with a Town procurement shall not be permitted without the express written consent of the Town of Trumbull.

10. **HOLD HARMLESS CLAUSE**

Bidder agrees to indemnify, hold harmless and defend the Town from and against any and all liability for loss, damage or expense which the Town may suffer or for which the Town may be held liable by reason of injury, including death, to any person or damage to any property arising out of or in any manner connected with the operations to be performed under an agreement with the Town, whether or not due in whole or in part of any act, omission or negligence of the Town or any of his representatives or employees.

11. **WORK REGULATIONS AND STANDARDS**

All work activities performed in association with this request must be performed and completed for the Town in accordance with current Federal State and Local regulations. All services performed shall also conform to the latest OSHA standards and/or regulations.

12. **CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

No purchase shall be made from nor shall services (other than services as an officer, agent, or employee of the Town) be secured from any officer or employee of the Town, or from any partnership or corporation in which such officer or employee is a partner or officer, or holds a substantial interest, unless such relationship and the fact that such purchase is contemplated shall be made known in writing to the agency making such purchase, and notice thereof posted, for at least five (5) days before such purchase be made, in the office of the agency making such purchase and in a public place in the Trumbull Town Hall.

13. **EQUAL TO ITEMS**

Any "Equal-To" items proposed in response to this request must be approved by the Town; the Town reserves the right to reject any proposal offering equipment and/or materials, which, if in its opinion does not meet the standard of quality established by the attached specifications. Any such decision shall be considered final and not subject to further recourse.

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SPECIFICATIONS

FOUR COLUMN -Wheel Engaging - Battery Powered -Wireless - Hydraulic-Portable - Mobile Column Lifting System with 72,000 Lb. Capacity

GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

A surface mounted, wheel engaging lifting system designed to elevate vehicles for the purpose of inspection, repairs and maintenance. The Lifting System shall be capable of operation on a reasonably level, concrete surface. One Lifting System shall consist of four (4) electric-hydraulic lifting units capable of sustaining a 72,000 lb. capacity load (18,000 lb. per column). All lifting units shall operate synchronously from any one of the four (4) lifting units by means of simple and reliable exchangeable circuit boards communicating wirelessly.

In addition to the other requirements outlined herein, the equipment, shall comply with all applicable requirements of ANSI/ All ALCTV2006 standard. "Safety Requirements for the Construction, Testing and Use of Automotive Lifts," as published by the American national Standards Institute. The lift company's Quality Management System shall be ISO9001 certified. The Lifting System shall be manufactured in the United States, and be third party certified in accordance with Allstandards.

Parts and service must be available from a local factory authorized distributor, within a 50 mile radius. Emergency service, including replacement parts must be available within four hours. Normal service and parts must be available within 24 hours. Further, seller must meet the following requirements:

- Must utilize direct employees who are Factory Trained and Authorized to Install, Inspect and Repair the equipment proposed.
- Must maintain a suitable inventory of factory replacement parts for this lifting system at their location within a 50 miles radius.

Minimum requirements are:

- System must be hydraulic, not a mechanical screw.
 - Total capacity of 72,000#, 18,000# per individual column, minimum 70" Rise.
 - Must be battery operated, with built in waterproof battery charger.
 - System shall not have a "master or slave" columns. All columns must be identical, and system must have capability of adding columns at later date without modification.
- All connections and communication between columns must be accomplished wirelessly. The system must not use any cords or connectors. The system must provide multiple frequencies to allow several systems to operate at the same time.
- Lifting forks must be adjustable to allow for wheel with diameters from 10" to 24.5"
 - Wheel must be spring loaded to retract when lift is loaded. Jacking devices are not acceptable.
 - System must have programmable height limiting feature, provide live height readings, and include a lowering alarm.
 - Must have two lowering speeds, providing for fine adjustments if desired.
 - Each Column must be equipped with LED under vehicle lighting.
 - Each unit must have built in forklift pockets.
 - Lifting carriage must travel on steel bearing rollers.
 - Must have Emergency Stop and emergency lowering feature.
 - Minimum Warranty must be:
 - Two years on entire system
 - Two years on electronics, five years on cylinders
 - Lifetime on carriage bearings.
 - Must be manufactured in the United States

OPTIONAL EQUIPMENT:

Four (4) Under-Lift Safety Stands, including:

- 18,000# capacity each stand
- Spring assisted height adjustment from 55.3" to 82.3"
- Screw type fine adjustment feature
- Spring assisted casters for moving around the service area.

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BID PROPOSAL

THE UNDERSIGNED AFFIRMS AND DECLARES that this Bid is executed with full knowledge and acceptance of the specifications, requirements, terms and conditions contained herein and with complete understanding and full compliance of system requirements and hereby submits this Bid for the request contained herein and certifies that this Bid meets all the specifications and conditions requested herein. Any substitutions to the specifications requested are clearly and completely noted. Any alternate Bids are presented in a similar format to those requested and are attached herein.

PROPOSED PRICE FOR FOUR COLUMN MOBILE LIFTING SYSTEM \$ _____

Above Price Shall Remain Firm for _____ Days

Delivery(FOB Trumbull): _____ Days ARO (After Receipt of Order)

Warranty: _____

The undersigned, as bidder, declares that no person, or persons, other than those named herein, are interested in this Proposal; that this Proposal is made without collusion with any person, firm or corporation; that no person or persons acting in any official capacity for the Town is directly or indirectly interested therein or in any portion of the profit.

Company Name

By (Signature)

Address

Print Name

Address

Title

Date

Telephone/Fax