



Martin O'Malley, Governor
Anthony G. Brown, Lt. Governor
John R. Griffin, Secretary
Joseph P. Gill, Deputy Secretary

March 2, 2010

Dear Prospective Offeror:

This letter constitutes a formal request for proposal (RFP) from the Maryland Department of Natural Resources (DNR), Power Plant Research Program (PPRP). This solicitation requests the services of a qualified contractor to provide PPRP with technical assistance and general support services in the area of Biological Sciences (RFP-K00R0400172) as it relates to the siting, licensing and operation of electric power plants and ancillary facilities including solid waste disposal sites and transmission lines within or affecting Maryland.

A description of the services requested, necessary qualifications, and format for responding to this solicitation is contained in the RFP, which can be obtained by calling (410) 260-8660 or by downloading it from the DNR-PPRP web site (<http://www.dnr.maryland.gov/Bay/pprp>). If you choose not to respond to this solicitation, we would appreciate your feedback which can be given by completing the form on the back of this letter, indicating why you choose not to respond.

The solicitation has a 10 percent Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) participation goal. The issuing office has extended an invitation to numerous MBE firms to attend the pre-proposal conference in an effort to encourage MBEs to submit proposals and/or develop teams that could submit proposals in response to this RFP. The pre-proposal conference will be held on March 18, 2010 and will begin promptly at 2:00 p.m. in the C-1 Conference Room within the Tawes State Office Building located at 580 Taylor Avenue in Annapolis Maryland.

The State of Maryland reserves the right to reject any and all proposals received by reason of this request without cost or obligation. Respondents whose proposals are not accepted will be notified in writing. Proposals are not restricted to institutions located within Maryland. All proposals must be received no later than 2:00 p.m. on April 6, 2010. All proposals and/or unsolicited amendments thereto received after the closing date and time will not be considered. Please carefully read the RFP for additional important information including, but not limited to, the required contents of each proposal package, delivery information and important dates and deadlines.

Sincerely,

Sandra Patty
Contract Manager

VENDOR COMMENTS

In order to help us improve the quality of State proposal solicitations, and to make our procurement process more responsive and business friendly, we ask that you take a few minutes and provide comments and suggestions regarding the enclosed solicitation. Please fax this completed form to the attention of Shiela Harrison at (410) 260-8670. Thank you for your assistance.

Solicitation No: PRFP-K00R0400172, entitled: Technical Assistance in Biological Sciences

I. If you have responded with a "no bid", please indicate the reason(s) below:

- Other commitments preclude our participation at this time.
- The subject of the solicitation is not in our business line.
- We lack experience in the work/commodities required.
- The scope of work is beyond our present capacity.
- We cannot be competitive. (Please explain below.)
- The specifications are either unclear or too restrictive (Please explain below.)
- Bid/proposal requirements, other than the specifications, are unreasonable or too risky. (Please explain below.)
- Time for completion is insufficient.
- Start-up time is insufficient.
- Bonding/Insurance requirements are prohibitive. (Please explain below.)
- Doing business with government is simply too complicated.
- Prior experience with State of Maryland contracts was unprofitable or otherwise unsatisfactory. (Please explain below.)
- Other: _____

II. Please explain your response further, offer suggestions, or express concerns.
(Please feel free to use additional pages if necessary)

REMARKS: _____

OPTIONAL:

Vendor Name: _____ Date: _____

Contact: _____ Phone: _____

Address or email: _____

THANK YOU!!