

**INVITATION TO BID FOR
SLIP #3 ADVANCED DRAINAGE WORK
PORT OF PALM BEACH DISTRICT
RIVIERA BEACH, FLORIDA**

1. Sealed bids for Slip #3 – Advanced Drainage and Paving Work at the Port of Palm Beach will be received by the Owner, PORT OF PALM BEACH DISTRICT, **until 2:00 p.m.**, local time **Thursday, January 5, 2012** at One East 11th Street, Engineering Department, 6th Floor, Riviera Beach, Florida 33404. Bids received after this time will be returned unopened. Bids submitted will be opened publicly and read aloud thereafter.
2. Project consists generally of site improvements. A more detailed description includes but is not limited to, demolition, removal and legal disposal of existing pavement and drainage structures. The new construction will include the installation of the drainage systems, associated utilities improvements, site grading, paving, and striping.
3. Bid Documents will be available on **December 6, 2011**, at **9:00 a.m.** Bidders may obtain complete sets of Bidding Documents in CD format from the Port of Palm Beach at One East 11th Street, Riviera Beach, on the Maritime Office Complex 6th Floor.
4. Each Bid shall be accompanied by Bid Security in the form of a surety company Bid Bond, cashiers or certified check, drawn upon any State or National Bank in Florida, payable to the Port in an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the amount of the Slip #3 – Advanced Drainage and Paving Work project base bid amount. The Bond executed by the Bidders shall be issued by a Surety Company licensed to do business in the State of Florida. Any bid received without Bid Security will be rejected and returned. Bid Security will be returned to all except the three lowest Bidders within **seven (7) days** after the opening of Bids, and the remaining Bid Securities will be returned within **seven (7) days** after the Port and the awarded Bidder have executed the Contract, or if no Contract has been awarded, **within ninety (90) days** after the date of opening of Bids, or upon demand of Bidder at any time thereafter, so long as it has not been notified of acceptance of its Bid. If the Bidder to whom the Contract is awarded does not execute the Contract and furnish the required documentation within **ten (10) days** of the date of Notice of Award, the Bid Security shall be paid to the Port as liquidated damages. The Bidders agree with the Port that the amount of Bid Security fairly and reasonably represents the amount of damages the Port will suffer due to the failure of the Bidder to fulfill its obligations required herein.
5. Bidders will be permitted to withdraw their Bids at any time prior to Bid opening.

6. The successful Bidder shall be required to execute **Performance and Payment Bonds** in the amount of **one hundred percent (100%)** of the Contract amount. The bonds are subject to approval by the Port of Palm Beach District.
7. The Port may not award a Contract to any Bidder who cannot prove to the satisfaction of the Port that they have a minimum of five (5) years of experience in the type of construction called for in the Contract Documents and is financially able and organized to successfully carry out the Work covered by the Contract Documents in the required time. Bidder must have a valid Florida general contractor's license at the time of Bid opening for the Work to be performed, in order for their Bid to be considered. A copy of the Bidder's license, in the name of the Bidder shown on the Bid Proposal Page, must be submitted with the Bid. Should Bidder's license and certification not be current as referenced in this paragraph, the Bid may be rejected.
8. Sealed Bids shall be addressed to the Port of Palm Beach District and plainly marked "**SLIP #3 – ADVANCED DRAINAGE AND PAVING WORK BID**" on the outside of the envelope. The Bidder's name and address shall also be included on the outside of the envelope.
9. The Bidder agrees that the Bid shall be good, and may not be withdrawn for a period ending the latter of **120 calendar days** after Bid Opening, or the execution of the Contract between the successful Bidder and the Port.
10. The Port reserves the right to waive any technicalities/irregularities and/or to reject any and/or all Bids. The Port further reserves the right to award a contract to that Bidder whose submittal best serves the interests of the Port, in the sole discretion of the Port.
11. Bidders may attend a Pre-Bid Conference to be held at One East 11th Street, 6th Floor, Riviera Beach, Florida 33404, on **December 6, 2011, at 9:00 a.m.** local time.

END OF INVITATION TO BID

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