



City of Conway – Mayor’s Office
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Invitation and Bid 2008-32

INVITATION

TO THE VENDOR ADDRESSED:

Bidders are invited to furnish the items listed herein in accordance with the terms and conditions attached. **Sealed** bids must be in the Mayor’s Office (1201 Oak Street) no later than **10 am, on Friday, April 4th, 2008** at which time all bids will be opened and read in the Downstairs Conference Room in City Hall. Successful bidders will receive purchase order, if necessary within 30 days after approval from City Council. ***Unsigned bids will be rejected.***

MINIMUM SPECIFICATIONS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

**BID SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE PURCHASE AND NEW INSTALLATION OF
ONE (1) OUTDOOR WARNING SIREN**

- Siren must be electro-mechanical with a 130 dB output at 100 feet.
- Sirens will have 3 signals: Alert, Attack, and Tornado
- The siren will have a rotating head (not oscillating) to spread the sound through a full 360 degree rotation.
- The siren head shall have a direct drive gear for rotation.
- The siren shall have a safety slip clutch to prevent the head from getting into a bind.
- The siren system shall operate off of 48 VDC from 4 lead acid, deep cycle, wet cell batteries provided by vendor.
- The siren system shall use 120 VAC to power the chargers that keep the batteries charged. City will furnish the 120 VAC source.
- The siren will be activated and tested using the American Signal Corp. CompuLert 2-way Status/Monitoring, reporting system – RTU / FSK which will be provided by the City of Conway. RTU can be operated locally as well as via radio and contain battery backup.

- The siren system will be mounted on a wood light pole, no less than 50 feet in height, provided and installed by vendor. All enclosures, battery, electrical, RTU, etc., shall be aluminum NEMA rated. Batteries and electrical components shall be in separate enclosures. All enclosures should be located on the pole in a way that they are readily accessible for maintenance. All required batteries will be furnished by vendor.
- Installation shall be accomplished within 30 days after the arrival of the equipment at the City's storage facility.
- Vendors are encouraged to visit the City and the present siren sites to familiarize themselves with the existing system before bidding.
- The job will be considered complete once satisfactory testing has been done and the City of Conway accepts the sirens.
- Bid prices shall be firm for 90 days after the bid opening date.

MINIMUM BID SPECIFICATIONS FOR REPLACING TWO (2) OUTDOOR WARNING SIRENS

- Each siren must be electro-mechanical with a 130 dB output at 100 feet.
- Sirens will have 3 signals: Alert, Attack, Tornado
- The siren will have a rotating head (not oscillating) to spread the sound through a full 360 degree rotation.
- The siren head shall have a direct drive gear for rotation.
- The siren shall have a safety slip clutch to prevent the head from getting into a bind.
- The siren system shall operate off of 48 VDC from 4 lead acid, deep cycle, wet cell batteries provided by vendor.
- The siren system shall use 120 VAC to power the chargers that keep the batteries charged. City will furnish the 120 VAC source.
- The existing American Signal Corp. 2-way Status/Monitoring system shall be incorporated into the new equipment for activation and status reporting.
- The siren system will be mounted on an existing light pole where a siren is currently mounted. All enclosures, battery, electrical, etc., shall be aluminum NEMA rated. Batteries and electrical components shall be in separate enclosures. All enclosures should be located on the pole in a way that they are readily accessible for maintenance.

- The existing siren and all non-essential parts, brackets, etc., shall be removed from the pole and moved to a City designated storage place.
- All new conduit, hardware, cable and fixtures shall be used in the installation.
- Installation shall be accomplished within 30 days after the arrival of the equipment at the City's storage facility.
- Vendors are encouraged to visit the City and the present siren sites to familiarize themselves with the existing system before bidding.
- The job will be considered complete once satisfactory testing has been done and the City of Conway accepts the sirens.
- Bid prices shall be firm for 90 days after the bid opening date.
- This bid may be awarded on a partial bid basis.

Additional Information

The bidder shall include all charges, including taxes, fees, shipping (if applicable)

The bidder needs to include an anticipated delivery date. (if applicable)

In submitting this bid, it is understood by the undersigned bidder that the right is reserved by the City of Conway to reject any and all bids:

Contact Information:
David Anthony, Communication Coordinator
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City of Conway IT Department
501-513.35210

Bid Specifications can be obtained from our website:
www.cityofconway.org

City of Conway
IT Department
Bid Number: 2008-32
Bid Opening Date: Friday, April 4th, 2008 @ 10:00am

Outdoor Warning Sirens

Total Cost of (1) New Outdoor Warning Siren

\$ _____

Total Cost of (2) Replacement Outdoor Warning Siren

\$ _____

Unsigned bids will be rejected:

Authorized Agent Bidding on this project:

Company Name

Company Representative Name

Representative's Signature

Address Email Address

City State Zip

Telephone Number Fax Number

Date

City of Conway
TERMS AND CONDITIONS
Important – Read Carefully

By Submission of bid, bidder certifies that he has read all terms and conditions and that bid is submitted in accordance therewith.

1. Prices quoted will be considered to be net prices unless otherwise stated by the bidder. Cash discounts requiring payments in less than 30 days will not be considered in making awards.
2. Prices quoted shall be FOB Conway unless otherwise specifically stated on proposal. In either case, delivery charges must be prepaid.
3. All fees and taxes shall be included in prices quoted.
4. Bidder certifies that he will make delivery of items for which he bids within 10 days after receipt of award – unless otherwise specifically stated. Time of delivery in excess of 10 days may be considered a factor in making awards.
5. In case of default of contractor in making deliveries as per contract, the City may procure the articles or services from other sources and hold the contractor responsible for all excess costs occasioned thereby. Bidder's record as to satisfactory performance under previous contracts will be considered a factor in making awards and retention on bid lists.
6. The City reserves the right to reject any or all bids, in part or in whole and to waive information in bids received.
7. If not otherwise specified, bidder must furnish brand names with catalog number, if any, on items which are offered as "equal." In all such cases the burden of establishing equality is upon the bidder and failure to do so within a reasonable time may result in rejection. Alternative bids will not be considered unless no other type bid for the item is received.
8. In the case of equal or tie bids, preference will be given to Arkansas bidders. Other than as stated in the first sentence, awards on tie bids will be made at the discretion of the purchasing official. In such cases, "splitting" will be avoided and awards of previous contract(s) to one or more of the bidders will not be a factor.
9. In the event that bidder is unable to furnish all of an item, bids on portions thereof may be considered.
10. Final inspections and acceptance or rejection will be made after delivery. Items rejected because of non-conformance shall be removed and replaced immediately with those which meet specifications, all at the expense of the contractor. In the event that necessity requires the use of non-conforming items, payment therefore will be made at a proper reduction in price which shall be not greater than contractor's actual cost by purchase, fabrication, manufacture or other production method plus transportation paid to carriers. All costs in connection with testing items that do not meet specifications shall be paid by contractor.
11. Quality, time of performance, probability of performance, and location of bidder will be factors in awards of all contracts.
12. The City reserves the right to purchase any, all or none of the items listed, in combinations thereof that may be in the best interest of the City of Conway.
13. The City reserves the right to change any specifications, terms and/or conditions at any time, with adequate notice in writing to bid invitees of those changes, if any.
14. The City is qualified for "GSA" pricing schedules, if available and applicable.
15. The City reserves the right to waive any informalities or minor defects, but this shall not be construed to indicate waiver of any specification, term and/or condition unless in the best interest of the City in the judgment of the City.
16. **CONSTRUCTION/INSTALLATION:** Any construction work that is worth \$20,000 or more must comply with Arkansas Code Annotated § 22-9-204.
17. **PROHIBITED INTEREST CONDITION:** No official of the City authorized on behalf of the City to specify, plan, design, negotiate, make, accept or approve, or take part in specifying, planning, negotiating, making, accepting or approving any construction or material purchase contract or any subcontract in connection with any purchase made by the City of Conway shall become directly or indirectly interested personally in the purchase in the purchase or any part thereof.
18. **EQUAL OPPORTUNITY IN EMPLOYMENT:** All qualified bidders will receive consideration without regard to race, color, religion, sex, age, disability or national origin.

