Inc., Docket No. 2008047498 on August 15, 2008. The following is a summary of the agency's declination of the petition:

The Division declined to issue an order because the Division does not have authority to interpret and enforce ambiguous provisions in the governing documents; or where authority over disputes lies within the jurisdiction of the courts.

A copy of the Order Declining of the Petition for Declaratory Statement may be obtained by contacting: Division Clerk, Department of Business and Professional Regulation, Division of Florida Condominiums, Timeshares, and Mobile Homes, 1940 North Monroe Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1031.

Please refer all comments to: Janis Sue Richardson, Chief Assistant General Counsel, Department of Business and Professional Regulation, Division of Florida Condominiums, Timeshares, and Mobile Homes, 1940 North Monroe Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2202.

The Construction Industry Licensing Board hereby gives notice that on March 25, 2009, it received a Petition for Declaratory Statement filed by Robert Allen Grier. The petition seeks the Board's interpretation of Section 489.105, Florida Statutes, and whether the Petitioner is generally exempt from construction industry licensing requirements pursuant to Section 489.105, Florida Statutes, for its addition and installation of collector tanks and secondary main drain lines to mitigate the direct suction of pools and spas for the federal VGB act and upcoming Florida Chapter 64E-9, F.A.C.

Copies of the petition may be obtained from G. W. Harrell, Executive Director, Construction Licensing Board, P. O. Box 5257, Tallahassee, Florida 32314-5257.

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

Notices for the Department of Environmental Protection between December 28, 2001 and June 30, 2006, go to http://www.dep.state.fl.us/ under the link or button titled "Official Notices."

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Department of Financial Services, Division of State Fire Marshal has issued an order disposing of the petition for declaratory statement filed by Mitchell Elementary School, Case #97588-08-FM on March 18, 2009. The following is a summary of the agency's disposition of the petition:

Questions and Responses: Question A. Whether a four-hour file wall can be installed in a building larger than 20,000 square feet gross thereby avoiding the sprinkler requirements of NFPA 101, requiring a building of that size to be equipped with a supervised sprinkler system throughout, if approved by the AHJ. Answer: NFPA 101-14.3.5.1.1 does not contain an exception relating to a four-hour fire wall. Question B. If yes,

would any penetrations be allowed in the four-hour fire wall; and would a parapet wall be required? Answer: Same as the answer to Question A.

A copy of the Order Disposing of the Petition for Declaratory Statement may be obtained by contacting: Lesley Mendelson, Assistant General Counsel, 200 East Gaines Street, Tallahassee, FL 32399-0340; or by e-mailing your request to Lesley.Mendelson@myfloridacfo.com.

Section VIII Notices of Petitions and Dispositions Regarding the Validity of Rules

Notice of Petition for Administrative Determination has been filed with the Division of Administrative Hearings on the following rules:

NONE

Notice of Disposition of Petition for Administrative Determination have been filed by the Division of Administrative Hearings on the following rules:

NONE

Section IX Notices of Petitions and Dispositions Regarding Non-rule Policy Challenges

NONE

Section X Announcements and Objection Reports of the Joint Administrative Procedures Committee

NONE

Section XI Notices Regarding Bids, Proposals and Purchasing

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS (Construction) The University of Florida Board of Trustees announces that General Contractor services will be required for the project listed below: PROJECT: UF-341, Corry Village Utilities Infrastructure Improvements (Gainesville, Florida)

SCOPE OF WORK:

This project entails the installation of site underground utilities, including underground medium-voltage electrical distribution service; piping systems for sanitary sewer, potable water, and stormwater; and associated sitework and site improvements. The estimated cost of construction is between \$3,000,000 and \$4,000,000.

Generally, the work is expected to commence in June 2009 and be completed by December 2009. Once pre-qualified, bidders will be given instructions for obtaining copies of the Conformed Bid Documents and allowed approximately 30 days to develop firm fixed prices for the base bid and additive alternate scopes of work. A pre-bid meeting with the Owner and design engineers will likely be held during this bidding period to clarify technical questions and allow bidders a chance to familiarize themselves with the site.

Work on an active campus, along with a constricted and steep site and the need for exceptional safety and environmental controls, will present logistical challenges to the contractor. Applicants unfamiliar with work at the University of Florida (UF) are strongly urged to familiarize themselves with the UF Design and Construction Standards, the UF General Terms and Conditions, template UF contracts, and other materials available on the Facilities Planning & Construction (FP&C) website at www.facilities.ufl.edu. At the time of application, the applicant and/or its subs must be licensed to practice as an underground utility and excavation contractor in the State of Florida AND as an electrical contractor in the State of Florida. If the applicant is a corporation, it must be chartered by the Florida Department of State to operate in Florida.

PROPOSAL: The method of delivery is design-bid-build (also known as "hard bid"), with an enhanced pre-qualification process due to the nature, location, and logistical challenges of the work. The following criteria will be used to pre-qualify potential bidders:

- 1. Past Performance
- 2. Qualifications and Experience
- 3. Financial Standing (including bonding capacity)
- 4. Workload
- 5. Safety Record

Interested applicants shall retrieve the detailed Pre-Qualification Instructions and all relevant proposal forms from the FP&C website listed above. The pre-qualification proposal shall consist of a completed Statement of Qualifications form, a copy of the applicant's contracting license, proof of the applicant's corporate status in Florida (if applicable), proof of applicant's bonding capacity, resumes, and other information as outlined in the Pre-Qualification Instructions. Unsigned proposals or proposals containing expired or invalid licenses will be disqualified. Submittal materials will not be returned, and the University may reject all proposals and stop the selection process at any time.

PRE-PROPOSAL MEETING: A mandatory Pre-Proposal Meeting will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Monday, April 13, 2009, in Room 101 of Elmore Hall (Building 465, Division of Purchasing), Radio Road, on the UF campus. The purpose will be to generally explain the pre-qualification process, the technical scope of work, and other project parameters such as site constraints and schedule. A site visit/tour will not be included at this time, but applicants will be provided an opportunity to review the not-for-construction 100% Construction Documents (plans and specifications) in order to familiarize themselves with the scope of work.

PRE-SUBMISSION INQUIRIES: Submit inquiries, questions, or comments via e-mail to the University's Project Manager identified in the Statement of Qualifications instructions. All requests for information or clarification must be submitted by 5:00 p.m. local time on Tuesday, April 21, 2009. Responses to questions or comments will be e-mailed to all applicants and/or posted to the UF FP&C web site. No hard copy reply will be issued.

SUBMISSION OF QUALIFICATIONS: Proposals – one original hard copy, plus one electronic copy on CD-ROM – shall be submitted no later than 2:00 p.m. local time on Tuesday, April 28, 2009, to the UF Division of Purchasing following the specific instructions provided in the document entitled "Instructions for Submission of Contractor's Statement of Qualifications (SOQ)." Late, electronic, or facsimile (FAX) submittals or those delivered elsewhere on the UF campus are not acceptable and will not be considered.

PUBLIC ENTITY CRIMES: As required by Section 287.133, Florida Statutes, a contractor may not submit a bid for this project if it is on the convicted vendor list for a public entity crime committed within the past 36 months. Each applicant shall warrant that it will neither utilize the services of, nor contract with, any supplier, subcontractor, or consultant in excess of \$10,000.00 in connection with this project for a period of 36 months from the date of their being placed on the convicted vendor list.

The University of Florida is an equal opportunity institution and, as such, encourages the use of Minority Business Enterprises (MBEs) in the provision of construction related services. MBEs should have a fair and equal opportunity to compete for dollars spent by the University of Florida to procure construction-related services. Competition ensures that prices are competitive and a broad vendor base is available. MBE-related information should be sent to: Division of Small Business and Vendor Diversity Relations, P. O. Box 115250, Elmore Hall, Room 106, Gainesville, Florida 32611.

NOTICE TO DESIGN/BUILD TEAMS

The Florida State University, announces that Qualifications Based Design/Build Services for the design and construction of a new residence hall, will be required for the project listed below

PROJECT NUMBER: FS-260

PROJECT NAME AND LOCATION: Wildwood Halls – Phase 2, Florida State University, Tallahassee, Florida

The project consists of the construction of an approximately 114,000 gsf apartment style student housing facility adjacent to the recently constructed Wildwood Halls. The contract may include the demolition of the International Center building. The new facility must be completed by May 2012.

The Design/Build Services contract shall be in compliance with the qualifications based Design/Build selection provisions in Section 287.055, F.S. and Rule 6C-14.007, F.A.C., including design and pre-construction fees, construction related service costs and a guaranteed maximum price. The University will contract with a single contract entity whose Design/Build Team shall provide all services including, but not necessarily limited to professional services, budgeting, construction services, labor, materials, and equipment required to design and construct the project. Blanket professional design liability insurance will be required for this project in the amount of \$1,000,000 and will be provided as a part of Basic Services.

The proposed value of this project is approximately \$30,000,000.00. The respondent must be capable of bonding at 100% of the value of the contract with a surety licensed to do business in the State of Florida with a Best rating of A, Class IX. Project development including professional services is contingent upon availability of funds.

INSTRUCTIONS:

Teams desiring to apply for consideration shall submit a letter of interest, a completed "Design/Build Services Qualification Supplement" form (DBSQS), dated March 2009, with attachments, and additional information required as described in the DBSQS. Applications submitted in any other format will not be considered. The Design/Build Services Qualifications Supplement form dated March 2009, project information and selection criteria, may be obtained on line at www.fpc.fsu.edu. For further information, contact: Lisa Durham, Senior Project Manager, Facilities Design and Construction, 109 Mendenhall Maintenance Building A, Florida State University, Tallahassee, Florida 32306-4152, (850)644-2843.

Each applicant must be properly licensed and registered at the time of application to practice its profession in the State of Florida. If the applicant is a corporation, or a joint venture, it must be registered by the Department of State to do business in the State of Florida at the time of application. If the applicant is the contract entity and has a consultant to perform the design or construction services, the contract entity and consultant must have an agreement at the time of application to formally contract for consulting services. Firms applying as "Associations" without a registered joint venture agreement or a contract entity and consultant without an agreement will not be considered.

Selection of finalists for interview will be made on the basis of qualifications of the proposed design/build team, including team qualifications, team related experience, and ability to provide service in meeting the project requirements. Florida State University strongly encourages the use of certified Minority and Women-owned Business Enterprises ("MBEs") in the provision of design and construction-related services by providing a fair and equal opportunity to compete for, or for participation in, design and/or construction related services.

Applications that do not comply with the above instructions may be disqualified. Submittals are part of the public record and no submittal material will be returned. The plans and specifications for The Florida State University projects are subject to reuse in accordance with the provisions of Section 287.055, F.S. As required by Section 287.133, F.S., a consultant may not submit a proposal for this project if it is on the convicted vendor list for a public entity crime committed within the past 36 months. The selected consultant must warrant that it will neither utilize the services of, nor contract with, any supplier, subcontractor, or consultant in excess of \$50,000.00 in connection with this project for a period of 36 months from the date of their being placed on the convicted vendor list.

Five (5) bound copies of the required proposal data shall be submitted. Submittals must be received in the FSU Facilities Design and Construction Office, 109 Mendenhall Maintenance Building A, Florida State University, Tallahassee, Florida 32306-4152, by 2:00 p.m. (Local Time), Monday, May 1, 2009. Facsimile (FAX) or electronic submittals will not be considered.

The University reserves the right to suspend or discontinue the selection process at any time and to return or reject any or all submissions of Design/Build proposals without obligation to the respondent. The award of this contract is subject to availability of funds. If additional funding is realized, the University has the option to incorporate additional scope/funding under this contract.

INVITATION TO BID

The Florida State University Facilities Purchasing shall receive sealed bids until the dates and times shown for the following projects. Bids may be brought to the bid opening or sent to:

> Florida State University Facilities Maintenance, Purchasing 114F Mendenhall Building A

Tallahassee, Florida 32306

prior to bid opening. Bidder must reference bid number, opening date and time on outside of bid package to insure proper acceptance. Bids submitted by facsimile are not acceptable. For information relating to the Invitation(s) to Bid, contact the

Bid Number: FAC30270-09

Purchasing Agent: B.J. Lewis, Facilities

blewis@admin.fsu.edu

Mandatory Pre-Bid:April 21, 2009, 10:00 a.m. (Local Time)Location:FSU Student Union Post Office,

The special prequalification submittal package is to be turned in to Architect at time of mandatory PreBid meeting.

The special prequalification submittal package may be obtained from the Architect's office prior to the PreBid meeting. It should be completed and returned to Architect at mandatory PreBid meeting

Public Bid Opening: April 30, 2009, 2:00 p.m. (Local Time) FSU-Facilities Maintenance

969 Learning Way 125 Mendenhall, Building A Tallahassee, Florida 32306-4150 Facilities Maintenance Purchasing

Bid Documents: RE-ROOF FSU Student Union Post Office The scope of work: includes tear off and reroof approximately 25,387 square feet of low slope roof area on the Student Union Post Office. The existing roofing system is asphalt built up roofing on rigid insulation board. The new roofing system includes a temporary membrane/vapor barrier, tapered isocyanurate insulation (minimum R-20) with high density cover board, and a two ply mineral surfaced modified bitumen membrane roofing and flashing systems to provide a special manufacturer's 25 year NDL warranty, with new prefinished aluminum flashing and coping.

Contact Person: Randy Lewis

Project Architect MLD Architects 211 John Knox Road, Suite 105 Tallahassee, Florida 32303

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT OF CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SELECTION RESULTS

The Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind announces that on the date listed below ranking was determined and an intent was issued to negotiate and enter into a contract for Construction Management Services in accordance with the Consultants Competitive Negotiation Act, for the following:

DATE: March 25, 2009

NAME OF AGENCY: Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind

PROJECT NUMBER: FSDB 20090001

PROJECT NAME: Cary White Renovation

- 1. WG Mills
- 2. Danis Construction

3. AJAX Building Corporation

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE INTERNAL IMPROVEMENT TRUST FUND

Notices for the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund between December 28, 2001 and June 30, 2006, go to http://www.dep.state.fl.us/ under the link or button titled "Official Notices."

STATE BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION

Notice of Invitation to Negotiate, ITN 09-01, Investment

Reporting Services for the Florida Prepaid College Board The Florida Prepaid College Board is accepting proposals in response to an Invitation to Negotiate, ITN #09-01, to obtain proposals from qualified agencies to provide Investment Reporting Services for the Florida Prepaid College Board.

Copies of the Invitation to Negotiate, ITN #09-01, are available on or after April 3, 2009, by submitting a written request to: Thomas J. Wallace, Executive Director, Florida Prepaid College Board, 1801 Hermitage Blvd., Suite 210, Tallahassee, Florida 32308, Facsimile: (850)488-3555. All information received in regard to this ITN must be sent to the above named address.

There is no bidder's conference. Only written inquiries concerning the ITN will be accepted. No written inquiries will be accepted after 5:00 p.m. (Eastern Time), April 10, 2009. The original unbound copy and five (5) copies of each response to the ITN must be received by 12:00 Noon (Eastern Time), May 4, 2009, at: Florida Prepaid College Board, 1801 Hermitage Blvd., Suite 210, Tallahassee, Florida 32308. Proposals must be submitted in full accordance with the requirements and mandatory criteria of the ITN.

The Board reserves the right to reject any and all proposals or accept minor irregularities in the best interest of the State. Certified Minority Business Enterprises are encouraged to participate.

SPECIAL ACCOMMODATION: Any person requiring special accommodations at the bid opening because of a disability should fax a written request for same to: Thomas J. Wallace, Executive Director, Florida Prepaid College Board, (850)488-3555, no later than five (5) days prior to the bid opening.

Notice of Invitation to Negotiate, ITN 09-02, Investment Consultant Services for the Florida Prepaid College Board The Florida Prepaid College Board is accepting proposals in response to an Invitation to Negotiate, ITN #09-02, to obtain proposals from qualified agencies to provide Investment Consultant Services for the Florida Prepaid College Board. Copies of the Invitation to Negotiate, ITN #09-02, are available on or after April 3, 2009, by submitting a written request to: Thomas J. Wallace, Executive Director, Florida Prepaid College Board, 1801 Hermitage Blvd., Suite 210, Tallahassee, Florida 32308, Facsimile: (850)488-3555. All information received in regard to this ITN must be sent to the above named address.

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EXPRESSWAY AUTHORITIES

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS REMARKETING AGENT SERVICES CONTRACT NO. 000608

Orlando-Orange County The Expressway Authority (Authority) requires the services of a Remarketing Agent to provide comprehensive remarketing services. The Authority is seeking to add to its pool of remarketing agents that would be available as-needed to replace any of the current providers. Consideration will be given to only those respondents who are qualified to perform the work as determined by the Authority. Any firm wanting to be considered by the Authority should Robert Johnson at (407)690-5372, contact: email: johnsonr@oocea.com, for a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) package.

DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES: Services to be provided under the Contract include determining interest rates on, and interest periods for, the Authority's bonds and remarketing of tendered bonds.

QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS: Respondents must demonstrate they have the qualifications and abilities to serve as Remarketing Agent as specified in this RFQ and the Agreement. Respondents that are corporations must be registered to do business in Florida, prior to the submittal of the response. The Authority will evaluate and determine the relative ability of each respondent to perform the required services based upon the information provided in response to the RFQ.

NON-SOLICITATION PROVISION: From the first date of publication of this Notice, no person may contact any Authority Member, Officer, Employee, or any selection committee member, with respect to this Notice or the services to be provided, except as related to the submittal requirements detailed in the RFQ. Reference is made to the lobbying guidelines of the Authority for further information regarding this Non-Solicitation Provision.

RESPONSE DUE DATE: Responses will be received by the Authority until 3:00 p.m. (Orlando Local Time), April 17, 2009. Responses delivered or received after that time and date will be disqualified.

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY STATEMENT: The Orlando-Orange County Expressway Authority, in accordance with the provisions of Title VI and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, sex, national origin, age, religion and disability. The Authority hereby notifies all respondents and individuals that it requires and encourages equal employment opportunity for minority and women as employees in the workforce.

MINORITY / WOMEN / DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PARTICIPATION: The Orlando-Orange County Expressway Authority hereby notifies all respondents and individuals that it will require affirmative efforts be made to ensure participation of local minority and women business enterprises on contracts awarded by the Authority.

DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT SERVICES

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT FOR CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTORS TO PROVIDE CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT AT RISK SERVICES

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS (RFQ): The Department of Management Services, Division of Real Estate Development and Management, request qualifications for licensed general contractors, to submit for Construction Management at Risk services on the following project:

PROJECT NUMBER: FDVA-27028000

PROJECT NAME: Phase II Renovations, Emory L. Bennett Veterans Nursing Home

LOCATION: Daytona Beach, Florida

ESTIMATED CONSTRUCTION BUDGET: \$4,250,000.00

The award will be made in accordance with Section 255.29, F.S., and the procedures and criteria of the Departments Division of Real Estate Development and Management.

For details please visit the Department's website listed below and click on "Search Advertisements – Division of Real Estate Development and Management." http://fcn.state.fl.us/owa_ vbs/owa/vbs_www.main_menu

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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NOTICE OF INVITATION TO BID BID NO. BDC 86-08/09

The Department of Environmental Protection, Division of Recreation and Parks, Bureau of Design and Construction is soliciting formal competitive bids from Certified or Registered General Contractors for the project listed below:

PROJECT NAME: Edward Ball Wakulla Springs State Park-Lodge Lobby and Guestroom ADA Restroom Alterations SCOPE OF WORK: The contractor shall provide all labor, materials, equipment and supervision to construct an ADA accessible unisex restroom and anteroom on the first floor of the historic Wakulla Springs Lodge in the existing Lobby Storage Room, and an ADA accessible bathroom in Guestroom #29 and Guestroom #34.

PROJECT BUDGET: \$200,000.00

PARK LOCATION: Edward Ball Wakulla Springs State Park, 41 miles south of Tallahassee on SR 267 & SR 61

PROJECT MANAGER: Steven J. Gertel, Bureau of Design and Construction, Alfred B. Maclay Gardens State Park, 3540 Thomasville Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32309, (850)488-5372, Fax: (850)488-3537.

MINORITY BUSINESS REQUIREMENT: The Department of Environmental Protection supports diversity in its Procurement Program and requests that all sub-contracting opportunities afforded by this bid embrace diversity enthusiastically. The award of sub-contracts should reflect the full diversity of the citizens of the State of Florida. The Department will be glad to furnish a list of Minority Owned Firms that could be offered sub-contracting opportunities.

PREQUALIFICATION: When the total Bid including Alternates exceeds \$200,000, each Bidder whose field is governed by Chapter 399, 455, 489 or 633, Florida Statutes, for licensure or certification, must submit the following prequalification data of their eligibility to submit bids 240 hours (10 days) PRIOR TO the Bid Opening date, unless the Bidder has been previously qualified by the Department of Environmental Protection for the current biennium (July 1-June 30) of odd numbered years in accordance with subsection 60D-5.004(2), F.A.C., as evidenced by a letter from DEP to the Bidder, which letter shall be presented to DEP upon request. If the Department requires clarification or additional information, Bidder shall submit such information by 120 hours (5 days) prior to Bid Opening. Material submitted after those deadlines shall disqualify the Bidder.

INSTRUCTIONS: Any firm desiring plans and bid specifications for this project may obtain a copy by writing the address or calling the telephone number below. Compact Disk (CD) containing the plans and specifications will be available on April 3, 2009 at: Edward Ball Wakulla Springs State Park, 550 Wakulla Park Dr., Wakulla Springs, Florida 32327, Attention: Brian Fugate, Park Manager, (850)926-0700, Fax: (850)561-7282.

ADA REQUIREMENTS: Any person with a qualified disability shall not be denied equal access and effective communication regarding any bid/proposal documents or the attendance at any related meeting or bid/proposal opening. If accommodations are needed because of disability, please contact: Michael Renard, Bureau of Design and Construction, (850)488-5372 at least five (5) workdays prior to openings. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Florida Relay Services by calling 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

BID SUBMITTAL DUE DATE: No later than 3:30 p.m. (ET), Tuesday, April 28, 2009, to the below address: Florida Department of Environmental Protection, Bureau of Design and Construction, 3540 Thomasville Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32309, Attention: Michael Renard, Construction Projects Administrator, Bureau of Design and Construction at (850)488-5372. The Department reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

BID POSTING DATE: No later than 2:00 p.m. (ET), Monday, May 4, 2009, unless extended by the Department for good cause.

NOTICE OF RIGHTS: Notice of Intent to Protest the Bid Specifications must be filed with (received by) the: Agency Clerk, Lea Crandall, Department of Environmental Protection, Office of General Counsel, MS 35, 3900 Commonwealth Blvd., Tallahassee FL 32399-3000, (850)245-2242, Fax: (850)245-2303, Lea.Crandall@dep.state.fl.us during the 72-hour period after Bid Specifications are posted on the Vendor Bid System. Failure to file a Notice of Intent to Protest or a formal, written Protest in accordance with Chapter 28-110, F.A.C., within ten days after the 72-hour period ends, as prescribed in Section 120.57(3), Florida Statutes, shall constitute a waiver of your right to an administrative hearing on the Bid Specifications under Chapter 120, Florida Statutes. Rules for bid protests can be found in Sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S., and Chapter 28-110, Florida Administrative Code. A bid protester shall comply with these statutes and rules.

CANAVERAL PORT AUTHORITY

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES NOTICE-GENERAL ENGINEERING SERVICES (#RFQ-09-003)

The Canaveral Port Authority (CPA) is requesting technical proposals and qualifications from consulting firms interested in providing GENERAL ENGINEERING SERVICES on a continuing basis. These services will be acquired in compliance with the Consultants Competitive Negotiation Act, Section 287.055, Florida Statutes.

SCOPE OF WORK:

The Scope of Work required by the CPA on a continuing contract basis to perform general port engineering services to accomplish routine and recurring work as outlined below:

- 1. Inventory and Management of CPA Property
 - (a) Provide legal descriptions for leases

(b) Review plans and specifications submitted by tenants of the port for new constructions and alterations

- (c) Maintain and periodically update:
- Land holdings of the CPA
- Utility and road easements of the CPA
- Utility location drawings
- Storm water drainage drawings
- Survey data and monuments pertinent to CPA real property
- Map showing the leases issued by CPA
- Maintain record of construction and as-built drawings for all improvements on CPA property, piers, roadways, terminals, warehouses, etc.
- Maintain inventory of soil boring logs and test data
- 2. Above Ground and Under Water Inspection of CPA Facilities
- 3. Prepare Plans and Specifications for Marine/Waterfront Facilities as needed
- 4. Master Planning and Conceptual Design of Future Port Facilities
- Provide conceptual layouts with cost estimates for new port facilities
- 5. Attendance by a representative of the consulting engineer at the monthly commission meetings of the CPA.

TERMS OF CONTRACT

The CPA desires a continuing contract for the consulting engineer for a period of five (5) years, renewable each year on its anniversary. At the end of the five-year period, the Contract shall be re-advertised in accordance with Florida Statues. The selected firm will be required to perform all contract services under a standard CPA continuing services contract, a sample of which may be requested by contacting: Peggy Gooch, Senior Administrative Assistant, Engineering, Canaveral Port Authority by email: pgooch@portcanaveral.org or via phone at (321)783-7831, ext. 218. All notices will be posted on our website: http://www.portcanaveral.org/general/bids.php.

SELECTION CRITERIA

As a pre-requisite for consideration for this contract, respective firms must:

- (a) Have the following engineering disciplines with their firm: structural, marine, civil, mechanical, electrical, and environmental permitting.
- (b) Have experience and a proven track record in port work, including design and inspection of deep draft facilities.
- (c) Provide evidence of a local office with adequate staff to address Port needs

PROPOSAL CONTENT

Each responding firm shall provide six (6) copies of their proposal and one (1) CD (containing complete proposal in pdf format), giving detailed information on the following:

- 1. Firm history, location, capabilities, areas of expertise (including port experience) etc.
- 2. GSA Standard Form 330 or equivalent;
- 3. Previous experience with providing similar services in the recent past. Include a brief description of the work and individuals to be contacted with telephone numbers.
- 4. A list of services which would not be performed in-house and a list of sub-consultants which would provide services for the firm.
- 5. A schedule of current commitments and the degree of completion of each.
- 6. An organizational chart and other information which will be useful in evaluating the proposal service.
- 7. Outline of methodology for implementation of the proposed scope of work.
- 8. Resumes of Key individuals to be involved in the various aspects of the project and an explanation of each individual's role in the project.
- 9. Location of the office where work involved in performance with this contract will be performed.

SUBMITTAL SCHEDULE

Firms desiring to provide such professional services to the CPA must furnish six (6) copies of their expression of interest to:

Canaveral Port Authority

Attn.: Peggy Gooch, Senior Administrative Assistant,

Engineering

P. O. Box 267

445 Challenger Road

Cape Canaveral, FL 32920

All proposals shall be delivered to the Canaveral Port Authority no later than 2:00 p.m., Friday, May 1, 2009.

SELECTION PROCESS

A committee established by the Chief Executive Officer will meet to review and recommend for approval a ranking of qualified firms to the CPA Commission at their regularly scheduled meeting to be held at 2:00 p.m., May 27, 2009, at which time selections will be established.

FLORIDA DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES COUNCIL, INC.

Request for Proposals (FDDC #2009-HC-8100) Community Action Campaign to Reduce Fetal Alcohol Syndrome in Florida

The Florida Developmental Disabilities Council, Inc. (FDDC) is pleased to announce that this request for proposals (RFP #2009-HC-8100) is released in order to fund activities that will gather champions and stakeholders to identify groups for targeted intervention, materials to be used in media/education campaigns, and development of a working alliance that will establish goals and action steps necessary for sustaining a statewide campaign to eliminate the use of alcohol by pregnant women throughout the state.

Individuals, not-for-profit, and for-profit agencies may submit proposals in response to this RFP. FDDC has set aside \$80,000 to \$148,000 of federal funds for a period not to exceed one (1) year for fiscal support of this RFP, and may approve up to two continuation contracts on an annual basis, however funding may be reduced during subsequent years.

Copies of this RFP can be downloaded from the FDDC website (www.fddc.org) or copies may be requested by writing: FDDC, 124 Marriott Drive, Suite 201, Tallahassee, FL 32301, or calling (850)488-4180 or Toll Free 1(800)580-7801 or TDD Toll Free 1(888)488-8633.

The deadline for submitting written questions and letters of intent for this RFP is April 17, 2009. Letters of intent are encouraged but not mandatory. Letters of Intent will only be accepted by fax, mail, or hand delivery. Letters of Intent by email will not be accepted. All answers to written questions will be posted on the FDDC website during the week of May 4, 2009. The deadline for submitting proposals for this RFP to FDDC is June 8, 2009, 2:00 p.m. (EDT).

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY AVIATION AUTHORITY

NOTICE TO CONSULTANTS

LAND SURVEYING AND MAPPING SERVICES

The Hillsborough County Aviation Authority hereby requests, pursuant to the Consultants Competitive Negotiation Act, Florida Statutes 287.055, letters of interest from land surveying and mapping firms or individuals desiring to render professional services as stated below:

LAND SURVEYING AND MAPPING SERVICES

This agreement provides for services to include all aspects of surveying to support architectural and engineering design related to particular capital improvement projects and as needed to support property acquisition. All survey work will be accomplished in accordance with the Florida minimum technical standards for land surveying and mapping.

A more detailed scope of services will be included in the formal request for proposal.

Significant Dates:

Letters of interest due:	NLT 5:00 p.m., April 8, 2009
RFP posted on web site:	After 12:00 Noon, April 15, 2009
Mandatory pre-proposal	
conference:	At 2:00 p.m., May 5, 2009
Proposals Due:	By 5:00 p.m., May 20, 2009

For additional information on submitting letters of interest, location of meeting and other project details, go to the Authority website at: www.tampaairport.com; Quick Links, Airport Business, Notice of Bids. The RFP will be posted on the Authority website after 12:00 Noon, April 15, 2009.

To receive automated e-mail notifications of future business opportunities, please visit our website at: tampaairport.com and register using the Authority's Business and Supplier Registration Program.

NASSAU COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

NOTICE OF INTENT TO BID

Sealed bids will be received by the Food Service Director of the School Board of Nassau County Florida, 1201 Atlantic Avenue, Food Service Office, Fernandina Beach, FL 32034 up until 2:30 p.m., April 28, 2009, at which time and place bids received will be tabulated for furnishing the following for the period of July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010.

The estimated dollar value of Bread and Bakery Bid, Bid #2009-02 is \$45,000.00 annually.

This will include delivery to 16 schools.

Only vendors who request a bid package in person, in writing, or by fax will receive the complete bid package. Call: (904)491-9924 or Fax: (904)277-9033.

TOWER-OHL GROUP

INVITATION FOR PRE-QUALIFIED CONTRACTORS TO SUBMIT SEALED BIDS

Project: Regional Training Institute, Phase 4 Camp Blanding

5629 State Road 16 West Starke, Florida 32091

Call for Bids: Tower-OHL Group has been selected by the State of Florida, Department of Military Affairs, Construction and Facility Management Office for negotiations as the Construction Manager at Risk on the above referenced project. Tower-OHL Group is requesting Sealed Bids from Pre-Qualified Trade Contractors for all applicable trades for construction on the above referenced project until 2:00 p.m., Tuesday May 5, 2009.

Project Scope: RTI, Phase 4 primarily includes construction of the following: 2-story, 20,500sf Billeting Bldg. East Wing; 3-story, 41,500sf Billeting Bldg. West Wing, 6,800sf Dining Facility Expansion, 1,200sf Pre-Engineered Weapons Cleaning Canopy, 7,000sf Pre-Engineered Covered Dining Patio, interconnecting Covered Walkways for all of RTI, Landscaping and Irrigation for all of RTI, two new Chillers, Combative Pit, 1/2 mile Running Track, Emergency Access Road, Milling and Re-Surfacing of Apalachicola and Panama City Roads, Expansion to Parking Lots, Stairway Finish Upgrades at the Phase 2 Billeting Bldg., and Floor Finish Upgrades at the existing RTI Administration Building. Design and construction materials will be consistent with the earlier phased construction of the RTI Complex.

Pre-Qualification: Only bidders that meet pre-qualification criteria will be allowed to bid. Pre-Qualification Packages are available at: Jacksonville office, 11315 Business Park Blvd., Jacksonville, FL, starting April 3, 2009. As part of the pre-qualification an executed original of the Tower-OHL Master Subcontract Agreement must accompany the submission of the fully completed and signed pre-qualification forms. Pre-qualification packages are due to Tower-OHL by 2:00 p.m., Friday, April 10, 2009, to be considered for evaluation. Tower-OHL will review all properly received Pre-Qualification Packages for eligibility to bid. Evaluation of the Pre-Qualification Packages and response by fax to all that submitted Pre-Qualification Packages will be by Thursday, April 16, 2009. Bid packages for the project will be available in our office starting Friday, April 17, 2009, for those that have pre qualified.

Minority Program: Minority Business Enterprises (MBE) are encouraged to participate in this Invitation to Bid. Utilization of MBE participation is highly encouraged from all Bidders. MBE's must be certified by the office of Supplier diversity.

Bonding Requirements: 100% labor and performance bonds may be required from successful bidders. The cost of the material and performance bond shall be listed in the space on the proposal form as a net add to the base bid.

Bid Packages: Bid Packages will be available and may be picked up at the office of Tower-OHL/Jacksonville starting Friday, April 17, 2009.

Bid Submittal: Sealed bids will be received on Tuesday, May 5, 2009.

Questions: Questions concerning bidding and project scope are to be sent by Fax to: Tower-OHL, Fax: (904)292-4865, Attention: Questions received after Friday, April 24, 2009 will not be accepted. All questions that have been submitted will be answered in an addendum on April 28, 2009.

Section XII Miscellaneous

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES

Tobacco Marketing Order

The Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services announces a referendum on the proposed Amended Tobacco Marketing Order in which all producers and handlers of tobacco in Florida are invited to participate.

TIME PERIOD FOR REFERENDUM: Ballots and copies of the proposed order will be mailed to all tobacco producers or handlers affected who are in the state and whose names and addresses are known on April 20, 2009. Ballots and copies of the proposed order may be obtained from county extension offices in Alachua, Columbia, Gilchrist, Hamilton, Lafayette, and Suwannee counties by producers or handlers not receiving them by mail, or by calling: Marshall Wiseheart at (850)488-4366.

The date by which ballots must be returned to the Department is Monday, May 11, 2009.

GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE REFERENDUM: The Department received application from over 10 percent of the affected producers via the Tobacco Production Research Advisory Council who stated they have reason to believe that an increase in the rate of assessment under the marketing order will tend to effectuate the declared policy of Sections 573.101-.124, Florida Statutes.

On February 16, 2009, the Department held a public hearing concerning the potential amendment of the Tobacco Marketing Order. The Department finds that the proposed amended order will tend to accomplish the objectives and purposes of Sections 573.101-.124, Florida Statutes.

The proposed amended marketing order raises the assessment from 25 cents to one dollar per hundred pounds of tobacco sold, but not to exceed 50 cents per hundred pounds of tobacco sold during the 2009 state fiscal year.

If you have any questions, please call: Marshall Wiseheart at (850)488-4366.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this referendum is asked to advise the Department by contacting: Marshall Wiseheart at Inc., Docket No. 2008047498 on August 15, 2008. The following is a summary of the agency's declination of the petition:

The Division declined to issue an order because the Division does not have authority to interpret and enforce ambiguous provisions in the governing documents; or where authority over disputes lies within the jurisdiction of the courts.

A copy of the Order Declining of the Petition for Declaratory Statement may be obtained by contacting: Division Clerk, Department of Business and Professional Regulation, Division of Florida Condominiums, Timeshares, and Mobile Homes, 1940 North Monroe Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1031.

Please refer all comments to: Janis Sue Richardson, Chief Assistant General Counsel, Department of Business and Professional Regulation, Division of Florida Condominiums, Timeshares, and Mobile Homes, 1940 North Monroe Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2202.

The Construction Industry Licensing Board hereby gives notice that on March 25, 2009, it received a Petition for Declaratory Statement filed by Robert Allen Grier. The petition seeks the Board's interpretation of Section 489.105, Florida Statutes, and whether the Petitioner is generally exempt from construction industry licensing requirements pursuant to Section 489.105, Florida Statutes, for its addition and installation of collector tanks and secondary main drain lines to mitigate the direct suction of pools and spas for the federal VGB act and upcoming Florida Chapter 64E-9, F.A.C.

Copies of the petition may be obtained from G. W. Harrell, Executive Director, Construction Licensing Board, P. O. Box 5257, Tallahassee, Florida 32314-5257.

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

Notices for the Department of Environmental Protection between December 28, 2001 and June 30, 2006, go to http://www.dep.state.fl.us/ under the link or button titled "Official Notices."

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Department of Financial Services, Division of State Fire Marshal has issued an order disposing of the petition for declaratory statement filed by Mitchell Elementary School, Case #97588-08-FM on March 18, 2009. The following is a summary of the agency's disposition of the petition:

Questions and Responses: Question A. Whether a four-hour file wall can be installed in a building larger than 20,000 square feet gross thereby avoiding the sprinkler requirements of NFPA 101, requiring a building of that size to be equipped with a supervised sprinkler system throughout, if approved by the AHJ. Answer: NFPA 101-14.3.5.1.1 does not contain an exception relating to a four-hour fire wall. Question B. If yes,

would any penetrations be allowed in the four-hour fire wall; and would a parapet wall be required? Answer: Same as the answer to Question A.

A copy of the Order Disposing of the Petition for Declaratory Statement may be obtained by contacting: Lesley Mendelson, Assistant General Counsel, 200 East Gaines Street, Tallahassee, FL 32399-0340; or by e-mailing your request to Lesley.Mendelson@myfloridacfo.com.

Section VIII Notices of Petitions and Dispositions Regarding the Validity of Rules

Notice of Petition for Administrative Determination has been filed with the Division of Administrative Hearings on the following rules:

NONE

Notice of Disposition of Petition for Administrative Determination have been filed by the Division of Administrative Hearings on the following rules:

NONE

Section IX Notices of Petitions and Dispositions Regarding Non-rule Policy Challenges

NONE

Section X Announcements and Objection Reports of the Joint Administrative Procedures Committee

NONE

Section XI Notices Regarding Bids, Proposals and Purchasing

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS (Construction) The University of Florida Board of Trustees announces that General Contractor services will be required for the project listed below: PROJECT: UF-341, Corry Village Utilities Infrastructure Improvements (Gainesville, Florida)

SCOPE OF WORK:

This project entails the installation of site underground utilities, including underground medium-voltage electrical distribution service; piping systems for sanitary sewer, potable water, and stormwater; and associated sitework and site improvements. The estimated cost of construction is between \$3,000,000 and \$4,000,000.

Generally, the work is expected to commence in June 2009 and be completed by December 2009. Once pre-qualified, bidders will be given instructions for obtaining copies of the Conformed Bid Documents and allowed approximately 30 days to develop firm fixed prices for the base bid and additive alternate scopes of work. A pre-bid meeting with the Owner and design engineers will likely be held during this bidding period to clarify technical questions and allow bidders a chance to familiarize themselves with the site.

Work on an active campus, along with a constricted and steep site and the need for exceptional safety and environmental controls, will present logistical challenges to the contractor. Applicants unfamiliar with work at the University of Florida (UF) are strongly urged to familiarize themselves with the UF Design and Construction Standards, the UF General Terms and Conditions, template UF contracts, and other materials available on the Facilities Planning & Construction (FP&C) website at www.facilities.ufl.edu. At the time of application, the applicant and/or its subs must be licensed to practice as an underground utility and excavation contractor in the State of Florida AND as an electrical contractor in the State of Florida. If the applicant is a corporation, it must be chartered by the Florida Department of State to operate in Florida.

PROPOSAL: The method of delivery is design-bid-build (also known as "hard bid"), with an enhanced pre-qualification process due to the nature, location, and logistical challenges of the work. The following criteria will be used to pre-qualify potential bidders:

- 1. Past Performance
- 2. Qualifications and Experience
- 3. Financial Standing (including bonding capacity)
- 4. Workload
- 5. Safety Record

Interested applicants shall retrieve the detailed Pre-Qualification Instructions and all relevant proposal forms from the FP&C website listed above. The pre-qualification proposal shall consist of a completed Statement of Qualifications form, a copy of the applicant's contracting license, proof of the applicant's corporate status in Florida (if applicable), proof of applicant's bonding capacity, resumes, and other information as outlined in the Pre-Qualification Instructions. Unsigned proposals or proposals containing expired or invalid licenses will be disqualified. Submittal materials will not be returned, and the University may reject all proposals and stop the selection process at any time.

PRE-PROPOSAL MEETING: A mandatory Pre-Proposal Meeting will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Monday, April 13, 2009, in Room 101 of Elmore Hall (Building 465, Division of Purchasing), Radio Road, on the UF campus. The purpose will be to generally explain the pre-qualification process, the technical scope of work, and other project parameters such as site constraints and schedule. A site visit/tour will not be included at this time, but applicants will be provided an opportunity to review the not-for-construction 100% Construction Documents (plans and specifications) in order to familiarize themselves with the scope of work.

PRE-SUBMISSION INQUIRIES: Submit inquiries, questions, or comments via e-mail to the University's Project Manager identified in the Statement of Qualifications instructions. All requests for information or clarification must be submitted by 5:00 p.m. local time on Tuesday, April 21, 2009. Responses to questions or comments will be e-mailed to all applicants and/or posted to the UF FP&C web site. No hard copy reply will be issued.

SUBMISSION OF QUALIFICATIONS: Proposals – one original hard copy, plus one electronic copy on CD-ROM – shall be submitted no later than 2:00 p.m. local time on Tuesday, April 28, 2009, to the UF Division of Purchasing following the specific instructions provided in the document entitled "Instructions for Submission of Contractor's Statement of Qualifications (SOQ)." Late, electronic, or facsimile (FAX) submittals or those delivered elsewhere on the UF campus are not acceptable and will not be considered.

PUBLIC ENTITY CRIMES: As required by Section 287.133, Florida Statutes, a contractor may not submit a bid for this project if it is on the convicted vendor list for a public entity crime committed within the past 36 months. Each applicant shall warrant that it will neither utilize the services of, nor contract with, any supplier, subcontractor, or consultant in excess of \$10,000.00 in connection with this project for a period of 36 months from the date of their being placed on the convicted vendor list.

The University of Florida is an equal opportunity institution and, as such, encourages the use of Minority Business Enterprises (MBEs) in the provision of construction related services. MBEs should have a fair and equal opportunity to compete for dollars spent by the University of Florida to procure construction-related services. Competition ensures that prices are competitive and a broad vendor base is available. MBE-related information should be sent to: Division of Small Business and Vendor Diversity Relations, P. O. Box 115250, Elmore Hall, Room 106, Gainesville, Florida 32611.

NOTICE TO DESIGN/BUILD TEAMS

The Florida State University, announces that Qualifications Based Design/Build Services for the design and construction of a new residence hall, will be required for the project listed below

PROJECT NUMBER: FS-260

PROJECT NAME AND LOCATION: Wildwood Halls – Phase 2, Florida State University, Tallahassee, Florida

The project consists of the construction of an approximately 114,000 gsf apartment style student housing facility adjacent to the recently constructed Wildwood Halls. The contract may include the demolition of the International Center building. The new facility must be completed by May 2012.

The Design/Build Services contract shall be in compliance with the qualifications based Design/Build selection provisions in Section 287.055, F.S. and Rule 6C-14.007, F.A.C., including design and pre-construction fees, construction related service costs and a guaranteed maximum price. The University will contract with a single contract entity whose Design/Build Team shall provide all services including, but not necessarily limited to professional services, budgeting, construction services, labor, materials, and equipment required to design and construct the project. Blanket professional design liability insurance will be required for this project in the amount of \$1,000,000 and will be provided as a part of Basic Services.

The proposed value of this project is approximately \$30,000,000.00. The respondent must be capable of bonding at 100% of the value of the contract with a surety licensed to do business in the State of Florida with a Best rating of A, Class IX. Project development including professional services is contingent upon availability of funds.

INSTRUCTIONS:

Teams desiring to apply for consideration shall submit a letter of interest, a completed "Design/Build Services Qualification Supplement" form (DBSQS), dated March 2009, with attachments, and additional information required as described in the DBSQS. Applications submitted in any other format will not be considered. The Design/Build Services Qualifications Supplement form dated March 2009, project information and selection criteria, may be obtained on line at www.fpc.fsu.edu. For further information, contact: Lisa Durham, Senior Project Manager, Facilities Design and Construction, 109 Mendenhall Maintenance Building A, Florida State University, Tallahassee, Florida 32306-4152, (850)644-2843.

Each applicant must be properly licensed and registered at the time of application to practice its profession in the State of Florida. If the applicant is a corporation, or a joint venture, it must be registered by the Department of State to do business in the State of Florida at the time of application. If the applicant is the contract entity and has a consultant to perform the design or construction services, the contract entity and consultant must have an agreement at the time of application to formally contract for consulting services. Firms applying as "Associations" without a registered joint venture agreement or a contract entity and consultant without an agreement will not be considered.

Selection of finalists for interview will be made on the basis of qualifications of the proposed design/build team, including team qualifications, team related experience, and ability to provide service in meeting the project requirements. Florida State University strongly encourages the use of certified Minority and Women-owned Business Enterprises ("MBEs") in the provision of design and construction-related services by providing a fair and equal opportunity to compete for, or for participation in, design and/or construction related services.

Applications that do not comply with the above instructions may be disqualified. Submittals are part of the public record and no submittal material will be returned. The plans and specifications for The Florida State University projects are subject to reuse in accordance with the provisions of Section 287.055, F.S. As required by Section 287.133, F.S., a consultant may not submit a proposal for this project if it is on the convicted vendor list for a public entity crime committed within the past 36 months. The selected consultant must warrant that it will neither utilize the services of, nor contract with, any supplier, subcontractor, or consultant in excess of \$50,000.00 in connection with this project for a period of 36 months from the date of their being placed on the convicted vendor list.

Five (5) bound copies of the required proposal data shall be submitted. Submittals must be received in the FSU Facilities Design and Construction Office, 109 Mendenhall Maintenance Building A, Florida State University, Tallahassee, Florida 32306-4152, by 2:00 p.m. (Local Time), Monday, May 1, 2009. Facsimile (FAX) or electronic submittals will not be considered.

The University reserves the right to suspend or discontinue the selection process at any time and to return or reject any or all submissions of Design/Build proposals without obligation to the respondent. The award of this contract is subject to availability of funds. If additional funding is realized, the University has the option to incorporate additional scope/funding under this contract.

INVITATION TO BID

The Florida State University Facilities Purchasing shall receive sealed bids until the dates and times shown for the following projects. Bids may be brought to the bid opening or sent to:

> Florida State University Facilities Maintenance, Purchasing 114F Mendenhall Building A

Tallahassee, Florida 32306

prior to bid opening. Bidder must reference bid number, opening date and time on outside of bid package to insure proper acceptance. Bids submitted by facsimile are not acceptable. For information relating to the Invitation(s) to Bid, contact the

Bid Number: FAC30270-09

Purchasing Agent: B.J. Lewis, Facilities

blewis@admin.fsu.edu

Mandatory Pre-Bid:April 21, 2009, 10:00 a.m. (Local Time)Location:FSU Student Union Post Office,

The special prequalification submittal package is to be turned in to Architect at time of mandatory PreBid meeting.

The special prequalification submittal package may be obtained from the Architect's office prior to the PreBid meeting. It should be completed and returned to Architect at mandatory PreBid meeting

Public Bid Opening: April 30, 2009, 2:00 p.m. (Local Time) FSU-Facilities Maintenance

969 Learning Way 125 Mendenhall, Building A Tallahassee, Florida 32306-4150 Facilities Maintenance Purchasing

Bid Documents: RE-ROOF FSU Student Union Post Office The scope of work: includes tear off and reroof approximately 25,387 square feet of low slope roof area on the Student Union Post Office. The existing roofing system is asphalt built up roofing on rigid insulation board. The new roofing system includes a temporary membrane/vapor barrier, tapered isocyanurate insulation (minimum R-20) with high density cover board, and a two ply mineral surfaced modified bitumen membrane roofing and flashing systems to provide a special manufacturer's 25 year NDL warranty, with new prefinished aluminum flashing and coping.

Contact Person: Randy Lewis

Project Architect MLD Architects 211 John Knox Road, Suite 105 Tallahassee, Florida 32303

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT OF CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SELECTION RESULTS

The Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind announces that on the date listed below ranking was determined and an intent was issued to negotiate and enter into a contract for Construction Management Services in accordance with the Consultants Competitive Negotiation Act, for the following:

DATE: March 25, 2009

NAME OF AGENCY: Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind

PROJECT NUMBER: FSDB 20090001

PROJECT NAME: Cary White Renovation

- 1. WG Mills
- 2. Danis Construction

3. AJAX Building Corporation

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE INTERNAL IMPROVEMENT TRUST FUND

Notices for the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund between December 28, 2001 and June 30, 2006, go to http://www.dep.state.fl.us/ under the link or button titled "Official Notices."

STATE BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION

Notice of Invitation to Negotiate, ITN 09-01, Investment

Reporting Services for the Florida Prepaid College Board The Florida Prepaid College Board is accepting proposals in response to an Invitation to Negotiate, ITN #09-01, to obtain proposals from qualified agencies to provide Investment Reporting Services for the Florida Prepaid College Board.

Copies of the Invitation to Negotiate, ITN #09-01, are available on or after April 3, 2009, by submitting a written request to: Thomas J. Wallace, Executive Director, Florida Prepaid College Board, 1801 Hermitage Blvd., Suite 210, Tallahassee, Florida 32308, Facsimile: (850)488-3555. All information received in regard to this ITN must be sent to the above named address.

There is no bidder's conference. Only written inquiries concerning the ITN will be accepted. No written inquiries will be accepted after 5:00 p.m. (Eastern Time), April 10, 2009. The original unbound copy and five (5) copies of each response to the ITN must be received by 12:00 Noon (Eastern Time), May 4, 2009, at: Florida Prepaid College Board, 1801 Hermitage Blvd., Suite 210, Tallahassee, Florida 32308. Proposals must be submitted in full accordance with the requirements and mandatory criteria of the ITN.

The Board reserves the right to reject any and all proposals or accept minor irregularities in the best interest of the State. Certified Minority Business Enterprises are encouraged to participate.

SPECIAL ACCOMMODATION: Any person requiring special accommodations at the bid opening because of a disability should fax a written request for same to: Thomas J. Wallace, Executive Director, Florida Prepaid College Board, (850)488-3555, no later than five (5) days prior to the bid opening.

Notice of Invitation to Negotiate, ITN 09-02, Investment Consultant Services for the Florida Prepaid College Board The Florida Prepaid College Board is accepting proposals in response to an Invitation to Negotiate, ITN #09-02, to obtain proposals from qualified agencies to provide Investment Consultant Services for the Florida Prepaid College Board. Copies of the Invitation to Negotiate, ITN #09-02, are available on or after April 3, 2009, by submitting a written request to: Thomas J. Wallace, Executive Director, Florida Prepaid College Board, 1801 Hermitage Blvd., Suite 210, Tallahassee, Florida 32308, Facsimile: (850)488-3555. All information received in regard to this ITN must be sent to the above named address.

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EXPRESSWAY AUTHORITIES

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS REMARKETING AGENT SERVICES CONTRACT NO. 000608

Orlando-Orange County The Expressway Authority (Authority) requires the services of a Remarketing Agent to provide comprehensive remarketing services. The Authority is seeking to add to its pool of remarketing agents that would be available as-needed to replace any of the current providers. Consideration will be given to only those respondents who are qualified to perform the work as determined by the Authority. Any firm wanting to be considered by the Authority should Robert Johnson at (407)690-5372, contact: email: johnsonr@oocea.com, for a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) package.

DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES: Services to be provided under the Contract include determining interest rates on, and interest periods for, the Authority's bonds and remarketing of tendered bonds.

QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS: Respondents must demonstrate they have the qualifications and abilities to serve as Remarketing Agent as specified in this RFQ and the Agreement. Respondents that are corporations must be registered to do business in Florida, prior to the submittal of the response. The Authority will evaluate and determine the relative ability of each respondent to perform the required services based upon the information provided in response to the RFQ.

NON-SOLICITATION PROVISION: From the first date of publication of this Notice, no person may contact any Authority Member, Officer, Employee, or any selection committee member, with respect to this Notice or the services to be provided, except as related to the submittal requirements detailed in the RFQ. Reference is made to the lobbying guidelines of the Authority for further information regarding this Non-Solicitation Provision.

RESPONSE DUE DATE: Responses will be received by the Authority until 3:00 p.m. (Orlando Local Time), April 17, 2009. Responses delivered or received after that time and date will be disqualified.

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY STATEMENT: The Orlando-Orange County Expressway Authority, in accordance with the provisions of Title VI and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, sex, national origin, age, religion and disability. The Authority hereby notifies all respondents and individuals that it requires and encourages equal employment opportunity for minority and women as employees in the workforce.

MINORITY / WOMEN / DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PARTICIPATION: The Orlando-Orange County Expressway Authority hereby notifies all respondents and individuals that it will require affirmative efforts be made to ensure participation of local minority and women business enterprises on contracts awarded by the Authority.

DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT SERVICES

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT FOR CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTORS TO PROVIDE CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT AT RISK SERVICES

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS (RFQ): The Department of Management Services, Division of Real Estate Development and Management, request qualifications for licensed general contractors, to submit for Construction Management at Risk services on the following project:

PROJECT NUMBER: FDVA-27028000

PROJECT NAME: Phase II Renovations, Emory L. Bennett Veterans Nursing Home

LOCATION: Daytona Beach, Florida

ESTIMATED CONSTRUCTION BUDGET: \$4,250,000.00

The award will be made in accordance with Section 255.29, F.S., and the procedures and criteria of the Departments Division of Real Estate Development and Management.

For details please visit the Department's website listed below and click on "Search Advertisements – Division of Real Estate Development and Management." http://fcn.state.fl.us/owa_ vbs/owa/vbs_www.main_menu

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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NOTICE OF INVITATION TO BID BID NO. BDC 86-08/09

The Department of Environmental Protection, Division of Recreation and Parks, Bureau of Design and Construction is soliciting formal competitive bids from Certified or Registered General Contractors for the project listed below:

PROJECT NAME: Edward Ball Wakulla Springs State Park-Lodge Lobby and Guestroom ADA Restroom Alterations SCOPE OF WORK: The contractor shall provide all labor, materials, equipment and supervision to construct an ADA accessible unisex restroom and anteroom on the first floor of the historic Wakulla Springs Lodge in the existing Lobby Storage Room, and an ADA accessible bathroom in Guestroom #29 and Guestroom #34.

PROJECT BUDGET: \$200,000.00

PARK LOCATION: Edward Ball Wakulla Springs State Park, 41 miles south of Tallahassee on SR 267 & SR 61

PROJECT MANAGER: Steven J. Gertel, Bureau of Design and Construction, Alfred B. Maclay Gardens State Park, 3540 Thomasville Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32309, (850)488-5372, Fax: (850)488-3537.

MINORITY BUSINESS REQUIREMENT: The Department of Environmental Protection supports diversity in its Procurement Program and requests that all sub-contracting opportunities afforded by this bid embrace diversity enthusiastically. The award of sub-contracts should reflect the full diversity of the citizens of the State of Florida. The Department will be glad to furnish a list of Minority Owned Firms that could be offered sub-contracting opportunities.

PREQUALIFICATION: When the total Bid including Alternates exceeds \$200,000, each Bidder whose field is governed by Chapter 399, 455, 489 or 633, Florida Statutes, for licensure or certification, must submit the following prequalification data of their eligibility to submit bids 240 hours (10 days) PRIOR TO the Bid Opening date, unless the Bidder has been previously qualified by the Department of Environmental Protection for the current biennium (July 1-June 30) of odd numbered years in accordance with subsection 60D-5.004(2), F.A.C., as evidenced by a letter from DEP to the Bidder, which letter shall be presented to DEP upon request. If the Department requires clarification or additional information, Bidder shall submit such information by 120 hours (5 days) prior to Bid Opening. Material submitted after those deadlines shall disqualify the Bidder.

INSTRUCTIONS: Any firm desiring plans and bid specifications for this project may obtain a copy by writing the address or calling the telephone number below. Compact Disk (CD) containing the plans and specifications will be available on April 3, 2009 at: Edward Ball Wakulla Springs State Park, 550 Wakulla Park Dr., Wakulla Springs, Florida 32327, Attention: Brian Fugate, Park Manager, (850)926-0700, Fax: (850)561-7282.

ADA REQUIREMENTS: Any person with a qualified disability shall not be denied equal access and effective communication regarding any bid/proposal documents or the attendance at any related meeting or bid/proposal opening. If accommodations are needed because of disability, please contact: Michael Renard, Bureau of Design and Construction, (850)488-5372 at least five (5) workdays prior to openings. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Florida Relay Services by calling 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

BID SUBMITTAL DUE DATE: No later than 3:30 p.m. (ET), Tuesday, April 28, 2009, to the below address: Florida Department of Environmental Protection, Bureau of Design and Construction, 3540 Thomasville Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32309, Attention: Michael Renard, Construction Projects Administrator, Bureau of Design and Construction at (850)488-5372. The Department reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

BID POSTING DATE: No later than 2:00 p.m. (ET), Monday, May 4, 2009, unless extended by the Department for good cause.

NOTICE OF RIGHTS: Notice of Intent to Protest the Bid Specifications must be filed with (received by) the: Agency Clerk, Lea Crandall, Department of Environmental Protection, Office of General Counsel, MS 35, 3900 Commonwealth Blvd., Tallahassee FL 32399-3000, (850)245-2242, Fax: (850)245-2303, Lea.Crandall@dep.state.fl.us during the 72-hour period after Bid Specifications are posted on the Vendor Bid System. Failure to file a Notice of Intent to Protest or a formal, written Protest in accordance with Chapter 28-110, F.A.C., within ten days after the 72-hour period ends, as prescribed in Section 120.57(3), Florida Statutes, shall constitute a waiver of your right to an administrative hearing on the Bid Specifications under Chapter 120, Florida Statutes. Rules for bid protests can be found in Sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S., and Chapter 28-110, Florida Administrative Code. A bid protester shall comply with these statutes and rules.

CANAVERAL PORT AUTHORITY

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES NOTICE-GENERAL ENGINEERING SERVICES (#RFQ-09-003)

The Canaveral Port Authority (CPA) is requesting technical proposals and qualifications from consulting firms interested in providing GENERAL ENGINEERING SERVICES on a continuing basis. These services will be acquired in compliance with the Consultants Competitive Negotiation Act, Section 287.055, Florida Statutes.

SCOPE OF WORK:

The Scope of Work required by the CPA on a continuing contract basis to perform general port engineering services to accomplish routine and recurring work as outlined below:

- 1. Inventory and Management of CPA Property
 - (a) Provide legal descriptions for leases

(b) Review plans and specifications submitted by tenants of the port for new constructions and alterations

- (c) Maintain and periodically update:
- Land holdings of the CPA
- Utility and road easements of the CPA
- Utility location drawings
- Storm water drainage drawings
- Survey data and monuments pertinent to CPA real property
- Map showing the leases issued by CPA
- Maintain record of construction and as-built drawings for all improvements on CPA property, piers, roadways, terminals, warehouses, etc.
- Maintain inventory of soil boring logs and test data
- 2. Above Ground and Under Water Inspection of CPA Facilities
- 3. Prepare Plans and Specifications for Marine/Waterfront Facilities as needed
- 4. Master Planning and Conceptual Design of Future Port Facilities
- Provide conceptual layouts with cost estimates for new port facilities
- 5. Attendance by a representative of the consulting engineer at the monthly commission meetings of the CPA.

TERMS OF CONTRACT

The CPA desires a continuing contract for the consulting engineer for a period of five (5) years, renewable each year on its anniversary. At the end of the five-year period, the Contract shall be re-advertised in accordance with Florida Statues. The selected firm will be required to perform all contract services under a standard CPA continuing services contract, a sample of which may be requested by contacting: Peggy Gooch, Senior Administrative Assistant, Engineering, Canaveral Port Authority by email: pgooch@portcanaveral.org or via phone at (321)783-7831, ext. 218. All notices will be posted on our website: http://www.portcanaveral.org/general/bids.php.

SELECTION CRITERIA

As a pre-requisite for consideration for this contract, respective firms must:

- (a) Have the following engineering disciplines with their firm: structural, marine, civil, mechanical, electrical, and environmental permitting.
- (b) Have experience and a proven track record in port work, including design and inspection of deep draft facilities.
- (c) Provide evidence of a local office with adequate staff to address Port needs

PROPOSAL CONTENT

Each responding firm shall provide six (6) copies of their proposal and one (1) CD (containing complete proposal in pdf format), giving detailed information on the following:

- 1. Firm history, location, capabilities, areas of expertise (including port experience) etc.
- 2. GSA Standard Form 330 or equivalent;
- 3. Previous experience with providing similar services in the recent past. Include a brief description of the work and individuals to be contacted with telephone numbers.
- 4. A list of services which would not be performed in-house and a list of sub-consultants which would provide services for the firm.
- 5. A schedule of current commitments and the degree of completion of each.
- 6. An organizational chart and other information which will be useful in evaluating the proposal service.
- 7. Outline of methodology for implementation of the proposed scope of work.
- 8. Resumes of Key individuals to be involved in the various aspects of the project and an explanation of each individual's role in the project.
- 9. Location of the office where work involved in performance with this contract will be performed.

SUBMITTAL SCHEDULE

Firms desiring to provide such professional services to the CPA must furnish six (6) copies of their expression of interest to:

Canaveral Port Authority

Attn.: Peggy Gooch, Senior Administrative Assistant,

Engineering

P. O. Box 267

445 Challenger Road

Cape Canaveral, FL 32920

All proposals shall be delivered to the Canaveral Port Authority no later than 2:00 p.m., Friday, May 1, 2009.

SELECTION PROCESS

A committee established by the Chief Executive Officer will meet to review and recommend for approval a ranking of qualified firms to the CPA Commission at their regularly scheduled meeting to be held at 2:00 p.m., May 27, 2009, at which time selections will be established.

FLORIDA DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES COUNCIL, INC.

Request for Proposals (FDDC #2009-HC-8100) Community Action Campaign to Reduce Fetal Alcohol Syndrome in Florida

The Florida Developmental Disabilities Council, Inc. (FDDC) is pleased to announce that this request for proposals (RFP #2009-HC-8100) is released in order to fund activities that will gather champions and stakeholders to identify groups for targeted intervention, materials to be used in media/education campaigns, and development of a working alliance that will establish goals and action steps necessary for sustaining a statewide campaign to eliminate the use of alcohol by pregnant women throughout the state.

Individuals, not-for-profit, and for-profit agencies may submit proposals in response to this RFP. FDDC has set aside \$80,000 to \$148,000 of federal funds for a period not to exceed one (1) year for fiscal support of this RFP, and may approve up to two continuation contracts on an annual basis, however funding may be reduced during subsequent years.

Copies of this RFP can be downloaded from the FDDC website (www.fddc.org) or copies may be requested by writing: FDDC, 124 Marriott Drive, Suite 201, Tallahassee, FL 32301, or calling (850)488-4180 or Toll Free 1(800)580-7801 or TDD Toll Free 1(888)488-8633.

The deadline for submitting written questions and letters of intent for this RFP is April 17, 2009. Letters of intent are encouraged but not mandatory. Letters of Intent will only be accepted by fax, mail, or hand delivery. Letters of Intent by email will not be accepted. All answers to written questions will be posted on the FDDC website during the week of May 4, 2009. The deadline for submitting proposals for this RFP to FDDC is June 8, 2009, 2:00 p.m. (EDT).

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY AVIATION AUTHORITY

NOTICE TO CONSULTANTS

LAND SURVEYING AND MAPPING SERVICES

The Hillsborough County Aviation Authority hereby requests, pursuant to the Consultants Competitive Negotiation Act, Florida Statutes 287.055, letters of interest from land surveying and mapping firms or individuals desiring to render professional services as stated below:

LAND SURVEYING AND MAPPING SERVICES

This agreement provides for services to include all aspects of surveying to support architectural and engineering design related to particular capital improvement projects and as needed to support property acquisition. All survey work will be accomplished in accordance with the Florida minimum technical standards for land surveying and mapping.

A more detailed scope of services will be included in the formal request for proposal.

Significant Dates:

Letters of interest due:	NLT 5:00 p.m., April 8, 2009
RFP posted on web site:	After 12:00 Noon, April 15, 2009
Mandatory pre-proposal	
conference:	At 2:00 p.m., May 5, 2009
Proposals Due:	By 5:00 p.m., May 20, 2009

For additional information on submitting letters of interest, location of meeting and other project details, go to the Authority website at: www.tampaairport.com; Quick Links, Airport Business, Notice of Bids. The RFP will be posted on the Authority website after 12:00 Noon, April 15, 2009.

To receive automated e-mail notifications of future business opportunities, please visit our website at: tampaairport.com and register using the Authority's Business and Supplier Registration Program.

NASSAU COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

NOTICE OF INTENT TO BID

Sealed bids will be received by the Food Service Director of the School Board of Nassau County Florida, 1201 Atlantic Avenue, Food Service Office, Fernandina Beach, FL 32034 up until 2:30 p.m., April 28, 2009, at which time and place bids received will be tabulated for furnishing the following for the period of July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010.

The estimated dollar value of Bread and Bakery Bid, Bid #2009-02 is \$45,000.00 annually.

This will include delivery to 16 schools.

Only vendors who request a bid package in person, in writing, or by fax will receive the complete bid package. Call: (904)491-9924 or Fax: (904)277-9033.

TOWER-OHL GROUP

INVITATION FOR PRE-QUALIFIED CONTRACTORS TO SUBMIT SEALED BIDS

Project: Regional Training Institute, Phase 4 Camp Blanding

5629 State Road 16 West Starke, Florida 32091

Call for Bids: Tower-OHL Group has been selected by the State of Florida, Department of Military Affairs, Construction and Facility Management Office for negotiations as the Construction Manager at Risk on the above referenced project. Tower-OHL Group is requesting Sealed Bids from Pre-Qualified Trade Contractors for all applicable trades for construction on the above referenced project until 2:00 p.m., Tuesday May 5, 2009.

Project Scope: RTI, Phase 4 primarily includes construction of the following: 2-story, 20,500sf Billeting Bldg. East Wing; 3-story, 41,500sf Billeting Bldg. West Wing, 6,800sf Dining Facility Expansion, 1,200sf Pre-Engineered Weapons Cleaning Canopy, 7,000sf Pre-Engineered Covered Dining Patio, interconnecting Covered Walkways for all of RTI, Landscaping and Irrigation for all of RTI, two new Chillers, Combative Pit, 1/2 mile Running Track, Emergency Access Road, Milling and Re-Surfacing of Apalachicola and Panama City Roads, Expansion to Parking Lots, Stairway Finish Upgrades at the Phase 2 Billeting Bldg., and Floor Finish Upgrades at the existing RTI Administration Building. Design and construction materials will be consistent with the earlier phased construction of the RTI Complex.

Pre-Qualification: Only bidders that meet pre-qualification criteria will be allowed to bid. Pre-Qualification Packages are available at: Jacksonville office, 11315 Business Park Blvd., Jacksonville, FL, starting April 3, 2009. As part of the pre-qualification an executed original of the Tower-OHL Master Subcontract Agreement must accompany the submission of the fully completed and signed pre-qualification forms. Pre-qualification packages are due to Tower-OHL by 2:00 p.m., Friday, April 10, 2009, to be considered for evaluation. Tower-OHL will review all properly received Pre-Qualification Packages for eligibility to bid. Evaluation of the Pre-Qualification Packages and response by fax to all that submitted Pre-Qualification Packages will be by Thursday, April 16, 2009. Bid packages for the project will be available in our office starting Friday, April 17, 2009, for those that have pre qualified.

Minority Program: Minority Business Enterprises (MBE) are encouraged to participate in this Invitation to Bid. Utilization of MBE participation is highly encouraged from all Bidders. MBE's must be certified by the office of Supplier diversity.

Bonding Requirements: 100% labor and performance bonds may be required from successful bidders. The cost of the material and performance bond shall be listed in the space on the proposal form as a net add to the base bid.

Bid Packages: Bid Packages will be available and may be picked up at the office of Tower-OHL/Jacksonville starting Friday, April 17, 2009.

Bid Submittal: Sealed bids will be received on Tuesday, May 5, 2009.

Questions: Questions concerning bidding and project scope are to be sent by Fax to: Tower-OHL, Fax: (904)292-4865, Attention: Questions received after Friday, April 24, 2009 will not be accepted. All questions that have been submitted will be answered in an addendum on April 28, 2009.

Section XII Miscellaneous

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES

Tobacco Marketing Order

The Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services announces a referendum on the proposed Amended Tobacco Marketing Order in which all producers and handlers of tobacco in Florida are invited to participate.

TIME PERIOD FOR REFERENDUM: Ballots and copies of the proposed order will be mailed to all tobacco producers or handlers affected who are in the state and whose names and addresses are known on April 20, 2009. Ballots and copies of the proposed order may be obtained from county extension offices in Alachua, Columbia, Gilchrist, Hamilton, Lafayette, and Suwannee counties by producers or handlers not receiving them by mail, or by calling: Marshall Wiseheart at (850)488-4366.

The date by which ballots must be returned to the Department is Monday, May 11, 2009.

GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE REFERENDUM: The Department received application from over 10 percent of the affected producers via the Tobacco Production Research Advisory Council who stated they have reason to believe that an increase in the rate of assessment under the marketing order will tend to effectuate the declared policy of Sections 573.101-.124, Florida Statutes.

On February 16, 2009, the Department held a public hearing concerning the potential amendment of the Tobacco Marketing Order. The Department finds that the proposed amended order will tend to accomplish the objectives and purposes of Sections 573.101-.124, Florida Statutes.

The proposed amended marketing order raises the assessment from 25 cents to one dollar per hundred pounds of tobacco sold, but not to exceed 50 cents per hundred pounds of tobacco sold during the 2009 state fiscal year.

If you have any questions, please call: Marshall Wiseheart at (850)488-4366.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this referendum is asked to advise the Department by contacting: Marshall Wiseheart at