

DELAWARE RIVER AND BAY AUTHORITY

WILMINGTON AIRPORT

CONTRACT NO. ILG-25-03

LOT D - LIGHTING AND PAID PARKING

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October 1, 2026

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed Bids for the above project will be accepted during normal business hours by the Delaware River and Bay Authority (“DRBA” or the “Authority”) Procurement Department, located at the intersection of I-295 & New Castle Avenue (DE Route 9), Administration Building #6, New Castle, Delaware, 19720, until 11:00 a.m. local time on November 10, 2026, at which time and place said Bids will be opened.

The project is located at Wilmington Airport (ILG), 151 N. Dupont Highway, New Castle, Delaware and includes a Base Bid and Additive Alternate No. 1. The Base Bid work generally includes, but is not limited to, furnishing all labor, materials, and equipment necessary for the removal of the existing asphalt parking lot and construction of a new 30,000 SF asphalt parking lot and associated grading. Other work included in the project includes the removal of trees, on-airport spoiling of materials, removal and installation of fencing, installation of DRBA-supplied parking equipment (including, but not limited to, lift gates, ticket machines and pay stations), installation of pay kiosks, installation of shuttle bus shelters, parking lot lighting and signage, underground stormwater system, and pavement marking. Additive Alternate No. 1 work includes the construction of a 1,125 SY asphalt parking and associated pavement marking.

It is the intent of the Authority to authorize the Contractor to proceed with the work in spring 2027. The Engineer will issue to the Contractor a written “Notice to Proceed” which will stipulate the date on or before which the Contractor’s allocated Contract Time will begin to accrue. The Contractor will have Two Hundred Forty (240) calendar days from the “Notice to Proceed” date to complete all awarded Work. If the Base Bid is awarded, Additive Alternate No. 1 may also be awarded, subject to the sole discretion of the Authority. No additional time will be added to the Contract Time if Additive Alternate No. 1 is awarded. The Contractor shall not work on Holidays, Saturdays or Sundays without prior permission from the Authority. **TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE.**

A non-mandatory pre-bid meeting will be held on October 9, 2026, at 11:00 a.m. local time at the Wilmington Airport Terminal Building, 151 N. Dupont Highway, New Castle, Delaware 19720. **Parking Instructions: Upon arrival, proceed to an available parking lot and utilize the intercom to enter. Parking in cellphone waiting zone and/or unsupervised access to the project site is strictly prohibited.**

Bidders may obtain contract documents from CapEx Manager (“CapEx”), the Authority’s online project management system. A link to CapEx is available at www.drba.net by clicking the “Procurement” link, then the link labeled “See Open Projects”.

All bidding firms, including joint ventures, must register as a vendor and subscribe to this project in CapEx to be eligible to submit a bid. If a bidder has the ability to submit a bid under more than one company name, the company that actually submits the bid must be registered as a bidder in CapEx. Any bid received from any firm who is not registered as a vendor in CapEx or is not subscribed to this project in CapEx, will be rejected.

ELECTRONIC AND MAILED BIDDING IS STRONGLY ENCOURAGED. Bidders are strongly encouraged to mail any hardcopy bid documents required by the Authority in advance and to use CapEx to submit their numeric bid electronically. Numeric bids that are submitted electronically may be revised, withdrawn and/or resubmitted up until bids are due. Bid documents may also be delivered in-person at DRBA Administration Building #6, located at the intersection of I-295 & New Castle Avenue (DE Route 9), New Castle, Delaware, 19720, during normal business days from 8:30AM to 4:30PM.

Bidders must either: 1) Submit the numeric portion of the bid electronically via CapEx, or 2) Submit a hard copy of the numeric portion of the bid along with the rest of the required bid forms. All required bid forms (other than the numeric portion of the bid if submitted via CapEx) must be received by the due date/time and be within a sealed envelope. The sealed envelope containing the bid forms must be marked “Bid for Contract No. ILG-25-03, LOT D - LIGHTING AND PAID PARKING”. If the bidder has submitted its numeric bid via CapEx, the envelope shall be marked: “NUMERIC BID SUBMITTED VIA CAPEX”.

All Bidders, and any Subcontractor expected to perform twenty percent (20%) or more of the total value of work of the Contract (not including the cost of materials, equipment or supplies incidental to the performance of the subcontract), must complete and submit a “Qualification Questionnaire” form contained herein with the corresponding Bid.

Bids received after the due date and time will not be considered. The DRBA reserves the right to reject any or all bids or portions thereof, or to waive minor irregularities as may be permitted by law.

Each bid must be accompanied by one (1) of the following forms of bid guaranty:

- (i) A cashier’s check, made payable to “The Delaware River and Bay Authority”, in the sum of not less than one percent (1%) of the Total Price, except that the amount of the check need not exceed \$20,000 and shall not be less than \$2,000;

OR

- (ii) A Bid Bond, on the form to be furnished by the Authority and included in the Contract Documents, for a sum of not less than ten percent (10%) of the Total Price.

Any Bid that is not accompanied by one (1) of the above forms of Bid Guaranty at the time of Bid opening will not be accepted.

As applicable, any cashier's checks submitted as bid guaranty will be returned to each non-awarded Bidder as soon as possible following the bid opening.

Together, parts (i) and (ii) below, as modified by any special provision(s) or by documents of any description furnished by the DRBA as part of this project, shall form the "Standard Specifications" and shall govern the execution of the project:

- (i) Division 100 – General Provisions of the *Delaware River and Bay Authority Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction*, dated December 15, 2014; and
- (ii) Divisions 200 through 1000 of the *Delaware Department of Transportation ("DelDOT") Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction*, dated January 2025, including any Standard Items and Special Provisions, as published on the [DeIDOT website](#) ("DelDOT Standard Specifications").

Registered Bidders who subscribe to this project are provided with, via CapEx, a digital edition of Division 100 – General Provisions of the DRBA's Standard Specifications. Any applicable provision set forth in the Standard Specifications, as defined above, that is not modified by or in conflict with a Special Provision made thereto shall be understood to remain in full force and effect.

Any questions, clarifications, or requests for revisions to the Contract Documents must be forwarded to the Authority in writing via CapEx no later than six (6) business days prior to the bid opening date and time. The Authority has no obligation to answer any question received after the above-stated time. Questions, answers, and approved modifications, if any, will be included as Contract Addenda and released to all subscribed parties prior to the bid due date.

Prior to submitting a bid, it is the responsibility of each Bidder to carefully review the Authority's Example Form of Contract and minimum insurance coverages required to be carried by the Contractor and any sub-contractor (See GENERAL/SPECIAL PROVISIONS – PART I, Section 103.10 Insurance). Following the designated Question/Answer period, the act of submitting a bid shall represent that Bidder's acceptance of the Authority's Example Form of Contract and insurance requirements, and any subsequent attempt to revise any portion of such will be disregarded and shall be just cause for disqualification.

Bidders are advised that THE CONTRACTOR IS FULLY RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL RISK, LOSS AND/OR DAMAGE TO THE WORK FROM ANY CAUSE WHATSOEVER AND FOR THE PROTECTION OF THE WORK UNTIL FINAL ACCEPTANCE BY THE AUTHORITY. The awarded Contractor is advised to purchase builder's risk insurance coverage for its own protection against potential losses and damages that may occur during the project.

The DRBA prioritizes open competition in the procurement of goods and services, ensuring that the selection of suppliers, consultants and contractors are the best equipped to meet its needs. This

commitment is driven by a belief that engaging a diverse supply base is mutually beneficial: fostering competition; creating opportunity; and generating value by broadening the pool of supplier expertise, perspectives, and capabilities. The DRBA seeks to expand access to its contracts and purchasing opportunities by ensuring that all interested bidders are afforded the opportunity to demonstrate their capabilities through the competitive bid process.

Bidders are advised that the construction cost of this Authority-funded project is estimated to exceed \$2,000,000, thus, this project is subject to the DRBA's Prevailing Wage Policy per DRBA Resolution 15-12. **For each laborer and mechanic providing work on this Project, the Contractor shall utilize the State of Delaware *or* Federal prevailing wage rate for New Castle County, Heavy *or* Highway, whichever rate is highest.**

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By: M. Earl Ransome, Chairman
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