SUMMARY STATEMENT


COMMITTEE: Operations & Maintenance

COMMITTEE MEETING DATE: July 20, 2011

BOARD ACTION DATE: August 17, 2011

PROPOSAL: That the Board authorizes staff to negotiate a construction contract with the firm of Chammings Electric, Inc. to perform the installation of new electrical substations at the Betsy Ross and Walt Whitman bridges to replace existing substations.

Amount: $1,101,775.00

Contractor: Chammings Electric, Inc.
271 W. Elmer Rd.
Vineland, NJ 08360

Other Bidders:
- Carr & Duff, Inc. $1,224,800.00
- Esco Electric $1,282,770.00
- Ray Angelini, Inc. $1,366,500.00
- Vanalt Electrical Construction, Inc. $1,627,000.00
- Philips Brothers Electrical NON-RESPONSIVE
- Wescott Electric Company NON-RESPONSIVE

Engineers Estimate: $747,000.00

PURPOSE: To replace aging electrical equipment nearing the end of its useful life at the Betsy Ross and Walt Whitman bridges.

BACKGROUND: The existing substations contain original equipment nearing the end of its useful life. The equipment distributes power to various bridge systems on the roadway of the Betsy Ross Bridge and to the administration building and toll plaza at the Walt Whitman Bridge. Based on recommendations from DRPA Operations staff at the bridges and an Engineering evaluation, the aging electrical equipment located under the Betsy Ross Bridge and at the Walt Whitman Bridge administration building is to be replaced with new equipment. This project will ensure the continued delivery of reliable electrical power to the aforementioned areas.
The project was publicly advertised and bid documents were offered to the public beginning on May 3, 2011 with a bid opening date of June 16, 2011. Twelve (12) sets of documents were sold. A total of seven (7) bids were received. Two (2) of the received bids were deemed unresponsive for failure to provide the required bid bond, leaving five (5) accepted bids. The low responsive and responsible bid was submitted by Chammings Electric, Inc. in the amount of $1,101,775.00.

Staff has completed the evaluation of bids and recommends that the contract be awarded to Chammings Electric, Inc. in the amount of $1,101,775.00 as the low responsive and responsible bidder.

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Capital Project #:  AB1101  
Operating Budget:  N/A  
Master Plan Status:  N/A  
Other Fund Sources:  N/A  
Duration of Contract:  6 Months  
Other Parties Involved:  N/A  
Estimated Number ofJobs Supported:  32
RESOLUTION

RESOLVED: That the Board of Commissioners of the Delaware River Port Authority accepts the bid of $1,101,775.00 to replace aging electrical substations, and that the proper officers of the Authority be and hereby are authorized to negotiate a contract with Chammings Electric, Inc. for the required work in an amount not to exceed $1,101,775.00, as per the attached Summary Statement; and be it further

RESOLVED: The Chairman, Vice Chairman and the Chief Executive Officer must approve and are hereby authorized to approve and execute all necessary agreements, contracts, or other documents on behalf of the DRPA. If such agreements, contracts, or other documents have been approved by the Chairman, Vice Chairman and Chief Executive Officer and if thereafter either the Chairman or Vice Chairman is absent or unavailable, the remaining Officer may execute the said document(s) on behalf of DRPA along with the Chief Executive Officer. If both the Chairman and Vice Chairman are absent or unavailable, and if it is necessary to execute the said document(s) while they are absent or unavailable, then the Chief Executive Officer shall execute such documents on behalf of DRPA.

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