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July 15, 2024

RE: SH 99 Grand Parkway Segment B-1 Project Round Two Pre-Procurement One-on-One Meeting Invitation

Dear Interested Colleague:

The Texas Department of Transportation intends to hold a second round of pre-procurement partnering one-on-one meetings with potential offerors to further discuss the development, procurement, and implementation of the SH 99 Grand Parkway Segment B-1 (Project), consistent with the procedures and protocols set forth in <u>Attachment 1</u>. The one-on-one meetings will be held at the Houston District Office located at 7600 Washington Avenue, Houston, Texas 77077 on August 13 and 14, 2024. **TxDOT is offering these meeting opportunities to design-build contractors, as well as prime contractors or lead engineering firms, who may participate either together or separately. Those who wish to attend a one-on-one meeting regarding the Project must express their interest by July 24, 2024**. One-on-one meetings will be conducted in-person only, and attendance at the meetings will be limited to 10 people. Attendance at the prior one-on-one meetings is not a prerequisite to attending the upcoming one-on-one meetings.

Interested design-build teams, prime contractors, or lead engineering firms will be notified of the assigned date, time, and specific location for each one-on-one meeting by e-mail.

The Texas Department of Transportation welcomes this opportunity to have a meaningful discourse with all potential offerors concerning TxDOT's approach to the procurement and implementation of this Project at the upcoming one-on-one meetings. Attendance at the recent workshop, prior one-on-one meetings, and upcoming one-on-one meetings is not mandatory, and interested parties will remain eligible to submit a qualifications statement if they do not participate in these pre-procurement activities.

We look forward to your attendance at the one-on-one meetings, and to continuing to work with you during the upcoming procurement of the Project.

Sincerely,

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Attachment

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Attachment 1 Confidentiality/Public Information Act

All written correspondence, exhibits, photographs, reports, other printed material, tapes, electronic disks, and other graphic and visual aids submitted to TxDOT in response to this Pre-Procurement One-on-One Meeting invitation are, upon their receipt by TxDOT, the property of the State of Texas, may not be returned to the submitting parties, and are subject to the Public Information Act, Chapter 522, Texas Government Code (the "Act"). Respondents should familiarize themselves with the provisions of the Act. In no event shall the State of Texas, TxDOT, or any of their agents, representatives, consultants, directors, officers, or employees be liable to a respondent for the disclosure of all or a portion of the information submitted in response to the workshop invitation and subsequent one-on-one meetings.

If TxDOT receives a request for public disclosure of all or any portion of a response, TxDOT will use reasonable efforts to notify the applicable respondent of the request and give such respondent an opportunity to assert, in writing and at its sole expense, a claimed exception under the Act or other applicable law within the time period specified in the notice issued by TxDOT and allowed under the Act.

The Texas Department of Transportation will submit a request for an opinion from the Office of the Attorney General prior to disclosing any documents which might contain confidential information. The respondent shall then have the opportunity to assert its basis for non-disclosure to the Office of the Attorney General; however, it is the sole responsibility of the respondent to monitor such proceedings and make timely filings. TxDOT may, but is not obligated to, make filings of its own concerning possible disclosure; however, TxDOT is under no obligation to support the positions of the respondent. Under no circumstances will TxDOT be responsible or liable to a respondent or any other party as a result of disclosing any such labeled materials, whether the disclosure is deemed required by law, by an order of court, or occurs through inadvertence, mistake or negligence on the part of TxDOT or its officers, employees, contractors or consultants.

The Texas Department of Transportation will not advise a submitting party as to the nature or content of specific documents entitled to protection from disclosure under the Act or other Texas laws or as to the interpretation of such laws. Each respondent is advised to contact its own legal counsel concerning the effect of applicable laws to the submitting party's own circumstances. In the event of any proceeding or litigation concerning the disclosure of any material submitted by the submitting party, TxDOT will be a stakeholder retaining the material until otherwise ordered by a court or such other authority having jurisdiction with respect thereto, and the submitting party shall be responsible for otherwise prosecuting or defending any action concerning the materials at its sole expense and risk; provided, however, that TxDOT reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to intervene or participate in the litigation in such manner as it deems necessary or desirable.

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