

DATE: 2/21/2024
BID NO.: 50-00144505

INVITATION TO BID
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JEFFERSON PARISH

PURCHASING DEPARTMENT
P.O. BOX 9
GRETNA, LA. 70054-0009
504-364-2678

PURCHASING SPECIALIST:
MBUTTERY@jeffparish.net

BIDS WILL BE RECEIVED ONLINE VIA WWW.JEFFPARISHBIDS.NET UNTIL 2:00 PM, 3/26/2024 AND PUBLICLY OPENED THEREAFTER IN THE WEST BANK PURCHASING DEPT, SUITE 4400, JEFFERSON PARISH GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDING, 200 DERBIGNY STREET, GRETNA, LA 70053. At no charge, bidders are to submit via Jefferson Parish's electronic procurement page by visiting www.jeffparishbids.net to register for this free site. Additional instructions are included in the text box highlighting electronic procurement.

LATE BIDS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED

NOTE: ONLY BIDS WRITTEN IN INK OR TYPEWRITTEN, AND PROPERLY SIGNED BY A MEMBER OF THE FIRM OR AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE, WILL BE ACCEPTED. PENCIL AND/OR PHOTOSTATIC FIGURES OR SIGNATURES SHALL RESULT IN BID REJECTION. HOWEVER, ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES AS DEFINED IN LSA - R.S. 9:2620(8) ARE ACCEPTABLE. SIGNATURE MUST BE A SECURED DIGITAL SIGNATURE.

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR BIDDERS AND GENERAL CONDITIONS
THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS APPLY TO ALL BIDS**

All bids submitted are subject to these instructions and general conditions and any special conditions and specifications contained herein, all of which are made part of this bid proposal reference. By submitting a bid, vendor agrees to comply with all provisions of Louisiana Law as well be in compliance with the Jefferson Parish Code of Ordinances, Louisiana Code of Ethics, applicable Jefferson Parish ethical standards and Jefferson Parish Resolution No. 136353 and/or Resolution No. 141125 as amended.

Jefferson Parish adheres to the Louisiana Code of Governmental Ethics, contained in Louisiana Revised Statutes Annotated, R.S. 42:1101, et seq. Vendor/Proposer by this submission, warrants that there are no "conflicts of interest" related to this procurement that would violate applicable Louisiana Law. Violation of the Louisiana Code of Governmental Ethics may result in rescission of contract, permit or licenses, and the imposition of fines and/or penalties, without contractual liability to the public in accordance with applicable law.

All vendors submitting bids should register as a Jefferson Parish vendor if not already yet registered. Registration forms may be downloaded from <http://purchasing.jeffparish.net> and by clicking on Vendor Information. Current W-9 forms with respective Tax Identification numbers and vendor applications may be submitted at any time; however, if your company is not registered and/or a current W-9 form is not on file, vendor registration is mandatory. Vendors may experience a delay in payment if your company is not a registered vendor with Jefferson Parish.

All quotations shall be based on F.O.B. Agency warehouse or job site, anywhere within the Parish as designated by the Purchasing Department. This provision does not apply to public works projects

JEFFERSON PARISH requires all products to be new (current) and all work must be performed according to standard practices for the project. Unless otherwise specified, no aftermarket parts will be accepted. Unless otherwise specified, all workmanship and materials must have at least one (1) year guaranty, in writing, from the date of delivery and/or acceptance of the project. Any deviations or alterations from the specifications must be indicated and/or supporting documentation supplied with bid submission.

Bidders should submit all questions in writing via email to the Purchasing Specialist's email address as indicated above, no later than Five (5) working days prior to the bid opening. Bid numbers should be mentioned in all requests. If submitting online, vendors may send questions via the E-Procurement site no later than Five (5) working days prior to the bid opening.

If this bid requires a pre-bid conference (see Additional Requirements section), bidders are advised that such conference will be held to allow bidders the opportunity to identify any discrepancies in the bid specifications and seek further clarification regarding instructions. The Purchasing Department will issue a written response to bidders' questions in the form of an Addendum. Please note that all official communication will be expressed in the form of an addendum.

Visit our website at [HTTP://PURCHASING.JEFFPARISH.NET](http://PURCHASING.JEFFPARISH.NET)

All formal Addenda require written acknowledgement on the bid form by the bidder. Failure to acknowledge any Addendum on the bid form shall cause the bid to be rejected. JEFFERSON PARISH reserves the right to award bid to next lowest responsive and responsible bidder in this event.

JEFFERSON PARISH will accept one price for each item unless otherwise indicated. Two or more prices for one item will result in bid rejection. Bidders are required to complete, sign and return the bid form and/or complete and return the associated line item pricing forms as indicated. Vendors must not alter the bid forms. Doing so will cause the bid to be rejected.

A corporate resolution or written evidence of the individual signing the bid having such authority must be submitted with the bid. Failure to comply will cause bid to be rejected. For corporate entities, such written evidence may be a printout of the Louisiana Secretary of State's website listing the signatory as an officer. Such printout shall be included with the bid submission. Bids submitted by Owners or Sole Proprietorships must include certification that he or she owns the entity for which the bid is signed. This documentation must be submitted with the bid. Failure to do so will result in bid rejection.

NOTE: A sample corporate resolution can be downloaded from our website <http://purchasing.jeffparish.net> or you may provide your own document. A sample certification of sole proprietorship can also be downloaded from our website <http://purchasing.jeffparish.net> or you may provide your own document.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR BIDDERS AND GENERAL CONDITIONS

A. AWARD OF CONTRACT: JEFFERSON PARISH reserves the right to award contracts or place orders on a lump sum or individual item basis, or such combination, as shall in its judgment be in the best interest of JEFFERSON PARISH. Every contract or order shall be awarded to the LOWEST RESPONSIVE and RESPONSIBLE BIDDER, taking into consideration the CONFORMITY WITH THE SPECIFICATIONS and the DELIVERY AND/OR COMPLETION DATE. SPLIT AWARDS MADE TO SEVERAL VENDORS WILL ONLY BE GRANTED TO THOSE DEEMED RESPONSIVE AND RESPONSIBLE.

All bid prices shall remain valid for 45 days. Jefferson Parish and the lowest responsive and responsible bidder(s) by mutual written consent may mutually agree to extend the deadline for award by one (1) or more extensions of thirty (30) calendar days.

PROTESTS: Only those vendors that submit bids in response to this solicitation may protest any element of the procurement, in writing to the Director of the Purchasing Department. Written protest must be received within 48 hours of the release of the bid tabulation by the Purchasing Department. After consultation, the Parish Attorney's Office will then respond to protests in writing. (For more information, please see Chapter 2, Article VII, Division 2, Sec. 2-914.1 of the Jefferson Parish Code of Ordinances.)

PREFERENCE: Unless federal funding is directly spent by Jefferson Parish for this purchase, preference is hereby given to materials, supplies, and provisions produced, manufactured or grown in Louisiana, quality being equal to articles offered by competitors outside the state. "LSA – R.S. 38:2251-2261"

B. USE OF BRAND NAMES AND STOCK NUMBERS: Where brand names and stock numbers are specified, it is for the purpose of establishing certain minimum standards of quality. Bids may be submitted for products of equal quality, provided brand names and stock numbers are specified. Complete product data may be required prior to award.

C. CANCELLATION OF CONTRACT: JEFFERSON PARISH reserves the right to cancel all or any part if not shipped promptly. No charges will be allowed for parking or cartage unless specified in quotation. The order must not be filled at a higher price than quoted. JEFFERSON PARISH reserves the right to cancel any contract at anytime and for any reason by issuing a THIRTY (30) day written notice to the contractor.

For good cause and as consideration for executing a contract with Jefferson Parish, vendor conveys, sells, assigns and transfers to Jefferson Parish or its assigns all rights, title and interest in and to all causes of action it may now or hereafter acquire under the antitrust laws of the United States and the State of Louisiana, relating to the particular good or services purchased or acquired by Jefferson Parish.

D. PRICES: Jefferson Parish is exempt from paying sales tax under LSA-R.S. 47:301 (8)(c). All prices for purchases by Jefferson Parish of supplies and materials shall be quoted in the unit of measure specified and unless otherwise specified, shall be exclusive of state and local taxes. The price quoted for work shall be stated in figures. In the event there is a difference in unit prices and totals, the unit price shall prevail.

Quantities listed are for bidding purposes only. Actual requirements may be more or less than quantities listed.

Bidders are not to exclude from participation in, deny the benefits of, or subject to discrimination under any program or activity, any person in the United States on the grounds of race, color, national origin, or sex; nor discriminate on the basis of age under the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, or with respect to an otherwise qualified handicapped individual as provided in Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, or on the basis of religion, except that any exemption from such prohibition against discrimination on the basis of religion as provided in the Civil Rights Act of 1964, or Title VI and VII of the Act of April 11, 1968, shall also apply. This assurance includes compliance with the administrative requirements of the Revenue Sharing final handicapped discrimination provisions contained in Section 51.55 (c), (d), (e), and (k)(5) of the Regulations. New construction or renovation projects must comply with Section 504 of the 1973 Rehabilitation Act, as amended, in accordance with the American National Standard Institute's specifications (ANSI A17.1-1961).

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Jefferson Parish and its partners as the recipients of federal funds are fully committed to awarding a contract(s) to firm(s) that will provide high quality services and that are dedicated to diversity and to containing costs. Thus, Jefferson Parish strongly encourages the involvement of minority and/or woman-owned business enterprises (DBE's, including MBE's, WBE's and SBE's) to stimulate participation in procurement and assistance programs.

The purpose and intention of this invitation to bid is to afford all suppliers an equal opportunity to bid on all construction, maintenance, repair, operating supplies and/or equipment listed in this bid proposal. JEFFERSON PARISH WILL ACCEPT ONE BID ONLY FROM EACH VENDOR. Items bid must meet specifications.

Advertised bids will be tabulated and a copy of the tabulation will be forwarded to each responding bidder.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH STATE REGULATIONS JEFFERSON PARISH OFFERS ELECTRONIC PROCUREMENT TO ALL VENDORS

This electronic procurement system allows vendors the convenience of reviewing and submitting bids online.

This is a secure site and authorized personnel have limited read access only. Bidders are to submit electronically using this free service; while the website accepts various file types, one single PDF file containing all appropriate and required bid documents is preferred. Bidders submitting uploaded images of bid responses are solely responsible for clarity. If uploaded images/documents are not legible, then bidder's submission will be rejected. Please note all requirements contained in this bid package for electronic bid submission.

Please visit our E-Procurement Page at www.jeffparishbids.net to register and view Jefferson Parish solicitations. For more information, please visit the Purchasing Department page at <http://purchasing.jeffparish.net>.

The general specifications for construction projects and the purchase of materials, services and/or supplies are those adopted by the JEFFERSON PARISH Council by Resolution No. 136353 or 141125 as amended. The general conditions adopted by this resolution shall be considered as much a part of this document as if they were written wholly herein. A copy may be obtained from the Office of the Parish Clerk, Suite 6700, Jefferson Parish General Government Building, 200 Derbigny Street, Gretna, LA 70053. You may also obtain a copy by visiting the Purchasing Department webpage at <http://purchasing.jeffparish.net> and clicking on Online Forms.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR THIS BID

PLEASE MATCH THE NUMBERS PRINTED IN THIS BOX WITH THE CORRESPONDING INSTRUCTIONS BELOW.

1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, 15

MANDATORY

**PRE-BID CONFERENCE TO BE HELD AT: 4917 City Park Drive, Ste. B, Lafitte
LA 70067 at 10:00 AM
ON 3/12/2024**

1. All bidders must attend the MANDATORY pre-bid conference and will be required to sign in and out as evidence of attendance. In accordance with LSA R.S. 38:2212(I), all prospective bidders shall be present at the beginning of the MANDATORY pre-bid conference and shall remain in attendance for the duration of the conference. Any prospective bidder who fails to attend the conference or remain for the duration shall be prohibited from submitting a bid for the project.
2. Attendance to this pre-bid conference is optional. However, failure to attend the pre-bid conference shall not relieve the bidder of responsibility for information discussed at the conference. Furthermore, failure to attend the pre-bid conference and inspection does not relieve the successful bidder from the necessity of furnishing materials or performing any work that may be required to complete the work in accordance with the specification with no additional cost to the owner.
3. Contractor must hold current applicable JEFFERSON PARISH licenses with the Department of Inspection and Code Enforcement. Contractor shall obtain any and all permits required by the JEFFERSON PARISH Department of Inspection and Code Enforcement. The contractor shall be responsible for the payment of these permits. All permits must be obtained prior to the start of the project. Contractor must also hold any and all applicable Federal and State licenses. Contractor shall be responsible for the payment of these permits and shall obtain them prior to the start of the project.

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4. A LA State Contractor's License will be required in accordance with LSA R.S. 37-2150 et. seq. and such license number will be shown on the outside of the bid electronic envelope. Failure to comply will cause the bid to be rejected. When submitting the bid electronically, the license number must be entered in the appropriate field in the electronic procurement system. Failure to comply will cause the bid to be rejected.
5. It is the bidder's responsibility to visit the job site and evaluate the job before submitting a bid.
6. Job site must be clean and free of all litter and debris daily and upon completion of the contract. Passageways must be kept clean and free of material, equipment, and debris at all times. Flammable material must be removed from the job site daily because storage will not be permitted on the premises. Precaution must be exercised at all times to safeguard the welfare of JEFFERSON PARISH and the general public.
7. PUBLIC WORKS BIDS: All awards for public works in excess of \$5,000.00 will be reduced to a formal contract which shall be recorded at the contractor's expense with the Clerk of Court and Ex-Officio Recorder of Mortgages for the Parish of Jefferson. A price list of recordation costs may be obtained from the Clerk of Court and Ex-Officio Recorder of Mortgages for the Parish of Jefferson. All awards in excess of \$25,000.00 will require both a performance and a payment bond. Unless otherwise stated in the bid specifications, the performance bond requirements shall be 100% of the contract price. Unless otherwise state in the bid specifications, the payment bond requirements shall be 100% of the contract price. Both bonds shall be supplied at the signing of the contract.
8. NON-PUBLIC WORKS BIDS: A performance bond will be required for this bid. The amount of the bond will be 100% of the contract price unless otherwise indicated in the specifications. The performance bond shall be supplied at the signing of the contract.
9. NON-PUBLIC WORKS BIDS: A payment bond will be required for this bid. The amount of the bond will be 100% of the contract price unless otherwise indicated in the specifications. The payment bond shall be supplied at the signing of the contract.
10. All bidders must comply with the requirements stated in the attached "Standard Insurance Requirements" sheet attached to this bid solicitation. Failure to comply with this instruction will result in bid rejection.
11. A bid bond will be required with bid submission in the amount of 5% of the total bid, unless otherwise stated in the bid specifications. All sureties must be in original format (no copies) When submitting a bid online, vendors must submit an electronic bid bond through the respective online clearinghouse bond management system(s) as indicated in the electronic bid solicitation on Central Auction House. No scanned paper copies of any bid bond will be accepted as part of the electronic bid submission.
12. This is a requirements contract to be provided on an as needed basis. JEFFERSON PARISH makes no representations on warranties with regard to minimum guaranteed quantities unless otherwise stated in the bid specifications.
13. Freight charges should be included in total cost when quoting. If not quoted FOB DELIVERED, freight must be quoted as a separate item. Bid may be rejected if not quoted FOB DELIVERED or if freight charges are not indicated on bid form.
14. PUBLIC WORKS BIDS - Completed, Signed and Properly Notarized Affidavits Required; This applies to all solicitations for construction, alteration or demolition of public buildings or projects, in conformity with the provisions contained in LSA-RS 38:2212.9, LSA-RS 38:2212.10, LSA-RS 38:2224, and Sec 2-923.1 of the Jefferson Parish Code of Ordinances. For bidding purposes, all bidders must submit with bid submission COMPLETED, SIGNED and PROPERLY NOTARIZED Affidavits, including: Non-Conviction Affidavit, Non-Collusion Affidavit, Campaign Contribution Affidavit, Debt Disclosures Affidavit and E-Verify Affidavit. For the convenience of vendors, all affidavits have been combined into one form entitled PUBLIC WORKS BID AFFIDAVIT. This affidavit must be submitted in its original format, and without material alteration, in order to be compliant and for the bid to be considered responsive. A scanned copy of the completed, signed and properly notarized affidavit may be submitted with the bid, however, the successful bidder must submit the original affidavit in its original format and without material alteration upon contract execution. Failure to comply will result in the bid submission being rejected as non-responsive. The Parish reserves the right to award bid to the next lowest responsive and responsible bidder in this event.

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15. NON PUBLIC WORK BIDS - Completed, Signed and Properly Notarized Affidavits Required in conformity with the provisions contained in LSA – RS 38:2224 and Sec 2-923.1 of the Jefferson Parish Code of Ordinances. For bidding purposes, all bidders must submit with bid submission COMPLETED, SIGNED and PROPERLY NOTARIZED Affidavits, including: Non-Collusion Affidavit, Debt Disclosures Affidavit and Campaign Contribution Affidavit. For the convenience of vendors, all affidavits have been combined into one form entitled NON PUBLIC WORKS BID AFFIDAVIT. This affidavit must be submitted in its original format, and without material alteration, in order to be compliant and for the bid to be considered responsive. A scanned copy of the completed, signed and properly notarized affidavit may be submitted with the bid, however, the successful bidder must submit the original affidavit in its original format and without material alteration upon contract execution. Failure to comply will result in the bid submission being rejected as non-responsive. The Parish reserves the right to award bid to the next lowest responsive and responsible bidder in this event.

16. The ensuing contract for this bid solicitation may be eligible for FEMA reimbursement and/or Federal funding/reimbursement. As such, the referenced appendix will be applicable accordingly and shall be considered a part of the bid documents. All applicable certifications must be duly completed, signed and submitted as per the appendix instructions. Failure to submit applicable certifications per the appendix instructions will result in bid rejection.

17. For this project, the Contractor shall not pay any state or local sales or use taxes on materials and equipment which are affixed and made part of the immovable property of the project or which is permanently incorporated in the project (hereinafter referred to as "applicable materials and equipment."). All purchases of applicable materials or equipment shall be made by the contractor on behalf of and as the agent of Jefferson Parish (Owner), a political subdivision of the State of Louisiana. No state and local sales and use taxes are owed on applicable materials and equipment under the provisions of Act 1029 of the 1991 Regular Session - Louisiana Revised Statute 47:301(8)(c). Owner will furnish to contractor a certificate form which certifies that Owner is not required to pay such state or local sales and use taxes, and contractor shall furnish a copy of such certificate to all vendors or suppliers of the applicable materials and equipment, and report to Owner the amount of taxes not incurred.

It shall be the duty of every parish officer, employee, department, agency, special district, board, and commission: and the duty of every contractor, subcontractor, and licensee of the parish, and the duty of every applicant for certification of eligibility for a parish contract or program, to cooperate with the Inspector General in any investigation, audit, inspection, performance review, or hearing pursuant to JPCO 2-155.10(19). By signing this document, every corporation, partnership, or person contracting with PARISH, whether by cooperative endeavor, intergovernmental agreement, bid, proposal, application or solicitation for a parish contract, and every application for certification of eligibility for a parish contract or program, attests that it understands and will abide by all provisions of JPCO 2-155.10.

All Public Work Projects are required to use the Louisiana Uniform Public Work Bid Form

All prices must be held firm unless an escalation provision is requested in this bid. Jefferson Parish will allow one escalation during the term of the contract, which may not exceed the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics National Index for all Urban Consumers, unadjusted 12 month figure. The most recently published figure issued at the time an adjustment is requested will be used. A request must be made in writing by the vendor, and the escalation will only be applied to purchases made after the request is made.

Are you requesting an escalation provision?

YES _____ NO X

MAXIMUM ESCALATION PERCENTAGE REQUESTED _____%

INITIAL BID PRICES WILL REMAIN FIRM THROUGH THE DATE OF _____.

For the purposes of comparison of bids when an escalation provision is requested, Jefferson Parish will apply the maximum escalation percentage quoted by the bidder to the period to which it is applied in the bid. The initial price and the escalation will be used to calculate the total bid price. It will be assumed, for comparison of prices only, that an equal amount of material or labor is purchased each month throughout the entire contract.

DELIVERY: FOB JEFFERSON PARISH

INDICATE DELIVERY DATE ON EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES

June 25, 2024

LOUISIANA CONTRACTOR'S LICENSE NO.: (if applicable)

32212

THIS SECTION MUST BE COMPLETED BY BIDDER:

FIRM NAME: Metro Mechanical LLC

ADDRESS: PO Box 368

CITY, STATE: Bolton, MS

ZIP: 39041

TELEPHONE: (601) 866-9050

FAX: ()

EMAIL ADDRESS: hale@metromechanical.net

In the event that addenda are issued with this bid, bidders **MUST** acknowledge all addenda on the bid form. Bidder must acknowledge receipt of an addendum on the bid form by placing the addendum number as indicated. Failure to acknowledge any addendum on the bid form will result in bid rejection.

Acknowledge Receipt of Addenda: NUMBER: 1

NUMBER: 2

NUMBER: 3

NUMBER: _____

TOTAL PRICE OF ALL BID ITEMS: \$ 103,290.00 (One Hundred Three Thousand Two Hundred Ninety & 00/100)

AUTHORIZED

SIGNATURE: 

Hale Gonzales

Printed Name

TITLE: Operations Manager

SIGNING INDICATES YOU HAVE READ AND COMPLY WITH THE INSTRUCTIONS AND CONDITIONS.

NOTE: All bids should be returned with the **BID NUMBER** and **BID OPENING DATE** indicated on the outside of the envelope submitted to the Purchasing Department.

INVITATION TO BID FROM JEFFERSON PARISH - continued

BID NO.: 50-00144505

SEALED BID

ITEM NUMBER	QUANTITY	U/M	DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES	UNIT PRICE QUOTED	TOTALS
1	1.00	JOB	<p>Labor, Materials and Equipment Necessary to Replace Roof Top HVAC Units for the Jefferson Parish Library Department, Lafitte Library</p> <p>0010 - THIS REQUEST IS TO SUPPLY AND INSTALL TWO (2) NEW DIRECT EXPANSION (DX) ROOFTOP PACKAGE SYSTEMS AT THE LAFITTE LIBRARY LOCATED AT 4917 CITY PARK DRIVE, SUITE B, LAFITTE, LOUISIANA 70067 FOR THE LIBRARY DEPARTMENT.</p> <p>***AS PER THE ATTACHED SPECIFICATIONS***</p>	\$	\$ 103,290.00

Non-Public Works Bid

AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF Mississippi

PARISH/COUNTY OF Hinds

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, personally came and appeared: _____
Hale Gonzales, (Affiant) who after being by me duly sworn, deposed and said that
he/she is the fully authorized Operations Manager of Metro Mechanical LLC (Entity),
the party who submitted a bid in response to Bid Number 50-00144505, to the Parish of
Jefferson.

Affiant further said:

Campaign Contribution Disclosures

(Choose A or B, if option A is indicated please include the required attachment):

Choice A _____ Attached hereto is a list of all campaign contributions, including the date and amount of each contribution, made to current or former elected officials of the Parish of Jefferson by Entity, Affiant, and/or officers, directors and owners, including employees, owning 25% or more of the Entity during the two-year period immediately preceding the date of this affidavit or the current term of the elected official, whichever is greater. Further, Entity, Affiant, and/or Entity Owners have not made any contributions to or in support of current or former members of the Jefferson Parish Council or the Jefferson Parish President through or in the name of another person or legal entity, either directly or indirectly.

Choice B X there are **NO** campaign contributions made which would require disclosure under Choice A of this section.

Debt Disclosures

(Choose A or B, if option A is indicated please include the required attachment):

Choice A _____ Attached hereto is a list of all debts owed by the affiant to any elected or appointed official of the Parish of Jefferson, and any and all debts owed by any elected or appointed official of the Parish to the Affiant.

Choice B X _____ There are **NO** debts which would require disclosure under Choice A of this section.

Affiant further said:

That Affiant has employed no person, corporation, firm, association, or other organization, either directly or indirectly, to secure the public contract under which he received payment, other than persons regularly employed by the Affiant whose services in connection with the construction, alteration or demolition of the public building or project or in securing the public contract were in the regular course of their duties for Affiant; and

[The remainder of this page is intentionally left blank.]

That no part of the contract price received by Affiant was paid or will be paid to any person, corporation, firm, association, or other organization for soliciting the contract, other than the payment of their normal compensation to persons regularly employed by the Affiant whose services in connection with the construction, alteration or demolition of the public building or project were in the regular course of their duties for Affiant.


Signature of Affiant

Hale Gonzales
Printed Name of Affiant

SWORN AND SUBSCRIBED TO BEFORE ME

ON THE 26th DAY OF March, 20 24


Notary Public

Carolyn C. Ward
Printed Name of Notary

102955
Notary/Bar Roll Number

My commission expires 7-29-24.



STANDARD INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR BIDDING PURPOSES

All required insurance under this bid shall conform to Jefferson Parish Resolution No. 113646 or No. 113647, as applicable. Contractors may not commence any work under any ensuing contract unless and until all required insurance and associated evidentiary requirements thereto have been met, along with any additional specifications contained in the **Invitation to Bid**. Except as where otherwise precluded by law, the Parish Attorney or his designee, with the concurrence of the Director of Risk Management or his designee, may agree on a case-by-case basis, to deviate from Jefferson Parish's standard insurance requirements, as provided in this Section. Vendors requesting deviation therefrom shall submit such requests in writing, along with compelling substantiation, to the Purchasing Department prior to the bid's due date. Any changes to the insurance requirements will be reflected in the bid specifications and addenda. Prior to contract execution and at all times thereafter during the term of such contract, contractors must provide and continuously maintain all coverages as required by the foregoing Resolutions, and the contract documents. Failure to do so shall be grounds for suspension, discontinuation or termination of the contract.

For bidding purposes, bidders must submit with bid submission a current (valid) insurance certificate evidencing the required coverages. Failure to comply will cause bid to be rejected. The current insurance certificate will be used for proof of insurance at time of evaluation. Thereafter, and prior to contract execution, the low bidder will be required to provide final insurance certificates to the Parish which shall name **the Jefferson Parish, its Districts Departments and Agencies under the direction of the Parish President and the Parish Council** as additional insureds regarding negligence by the contractor for the Commercial General Liability and the Comprehensive Automobile Liability policies. Additionally, said certificates should reflect the name of the Parish Department receiving goods and services and reference the respective Jefferson Parish bid number.

JEFFERSON PARISH REQUIRED STANDARD INSURANCE

☒ **WORKER'S COMPENSATION INSURANCE**

As required by Louisiana State Statute, exception; Employer's Liability, Section B shall be \$1,000,000 per occurrence when Work is to be over water and involves maritime exposures to cover all employees not covered under the State Worker's Compensation Act, otherwise this limit shall be no less than \$500,000 per occurrence.

Note: If your company is not required by law to carry workmen's compensation insurance, i.e. not a Louisiana company, sole employee of the company, then bidders must request a workmen's compensation insurance declaration affidavit prior to the bid opening date. This insurance declaration affidavit must be fully completed, signed, properly notarized and submitted with the bid. A scanned copy may be submitted with the bid; however, the successful bidder must submit the original affidavit in its original format and without material alteration upon contract execution. Failure to comply will result in the bid submission being

rejected as non-responsive. The Parish reserves the right to award bid to the next lowest responsive and responsible bidder in this event.

☒ **COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY**

Shall provide limits not less than the following: \$1,000,000.00 Combined Single Limit per Occurrence for bodily injury and property damage.

☒ **COMPREHENSIVE AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY**

Bodily injury liability \$1,000,000.00 each person; \$1,000,000.00 each occurrence.
Property Damage Liability \$1,000,000.00 each occurrence.

Note: This category may be omitted if bidders do not/will not utilize company vehicles for the project or do not possess company vehicles. Bidder must request an automobile insurance declaration affidavit prior to the bid opening date. This insurance declaration affidavit must be fully completed, signed, properly notarized and submitted with the bid. A scanned copy of the completed, signed and properly notarized affidavit may be submitted with the bid; however, the successful bidder must submit the original affidavit in its original format and without material alteration upon contract execution. Failure to comply will result in the bid submission being rejected as non-responsive. The Parish reserves the right to award bid to the next lowest responsive and responsible bidder in this event.

DEDUCTIBLES - The Parish Attorney with concurrence of the Director of Risk Management have waived the deductible section of the Terms and Conditions for all Invitations to Bid, until further notice.

UMBRELLA LIABILITY COVERAGE

An umbrella policy or excess may be used to meet minimum requirements.

FOR CONSTRUCTION AND RENOVATION PROJECTS:

The following are required if selected below. Such insurance is due upon contract execution.

☐ **OWNER'S PROTECTIVE LIABILITY**

To be for the same limits of liability for bodily injury and property damage liability established for commercial general liability.

☐ **BUILDER'S RISK INSURANCE**

The contractor shall maintain Builder's Risk Insurance at his own expense to insure both the owner (Parish of Jefferson) and contractor as their interest may appear.

Document A310™ – 2010

Conforms with The American Institute of Architects AIA Document 310

Bond Number: FBS-ASCOT-2024-011

Bid Bond

CONTRACTOR:

(Name, legal status and address)

Metro Mechanical, LLC

PO Box 368

Bolton, MS 39041

OWNER:

(Name, legal status and address)

Jefferson Parish Purchasing Department

200 Derbingy Street, General Government Bldg., Suite 4400

Gretna, LA 70053

SURETY:

(Name, legal status and principal place of business)

Ascot Surety & Casualty Company

55 W 46th Street, 26th Floor

New York, NY 10036

State of Inc: Colorado

This document has important legal consequences. Consultation with an attorney is encouraged with respect to its completion or modification.

Any singular reference to Contractor, Surety, Owner or other party shall be considered plural where applicable.

BOND AMOUNT: Five Percent of Amount Bid (5%)

PROJECT:

(Name, location or address, and Project number, if any)

Lafitte Library Rooftop HVAC Replacement; Bid No. 50-00144505

The Contractor and Surety are bound to the Owner in the amount set forth above, for the payment of which the Contractor and Surety bind themselves, their heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, jointly and severally, as provided herein. The conditions of this Bond are such that if the Owner accepts the bid of the Contractor within the time specified in the bid documents, or within such time period as may be agreed to by the Owner and Contractor, and the Contractor either (1) enters into a contract with the Owner in accordance with the terms of such bid, and gives such bond or bonds as may be specified in the bidding or Contract Documents, with a surety admitted in the jurisdiction of the Project and otherwise acceptable to the Owner, for the faithful performance of such Contract and for the prompt payment of labor and material furnished in the prosecution thereof; or (2) pays to the Owner the difference, not to exceed the amount of this Bond, between the amount specified in said bid and such larger amount for which the Owner may in good faith contract with another party to perform the work covered by said bid, then this obligation shall be null and void, otherwise to remain in full force and effect. The Surety hereby waives any notice of an agreement between the Owner and Contractor to extend the time in which the Owner may accept the bid. Waiver of notice by the Surety shall not apply to any extension exceeding sixty (60) days in the aggregate beyond the time for acceptance of bids specified in the bid documents, and the Owner and Contractor shall obtain the Surety's consent for an extension beyond sixty (60) days.

If this Bond is issued in connection with a subcontractor's bid to a Contractor, the term Contractor in this Bond shall be deemed to be Subcontractor and the term Owner shall be deemed to be Contractor.

When this Bond has been furnished to comply with a statutory or other legal requirement in the location of the Project, any provision in this Bond conflicting with said statutory or legal requirement shall be deemed deleted herefrom and provisions conforming to such statutory or other legal requirement shall be deemed incorporated herein. When so furnished, the intent is that this Bond shall be construed as a statutory bond and not as a common law bond.


Signed and sealed this 26th day of March, 2024


(Witness)


(Witness) John O'Keefe

Metro Mechanical, LLC
(Principal)  (Seal)

(Title) President

Ascot Surety & Casualty Company
(Surety)  (Seal)

(Title) Olivia K Spada, Attorney-in-Fact



Ascot Surety & Casualty Company
Ascot Insurance Company
 55 W 46th Street, 26th Floor
 New York, NY 10036

Power of Attorney

KNOW ALL MEN BY THE PRESENTS:

That **Ascot Surety & Casualty Company** and **Ascot Insurance Company**, each a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Colorado (the "Companies"), do hereby constitute and appoint:

John B. O'Keefe, Joanne Czapinski, Olivia K Spada, and Rebecca E. Johnson

of Hartford, CT (city, state) and each its true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-Fact, with full authority to sign, execute, seal, acknowledge and deliver for, and on its behalf, and as its act and deed any place within the United States, or, if the following line is filled in, only within the area and up to the amount therein designated, any and all bonds, undertakings, recognizances, and other contracts of indemnity or writings obligatory in the nature thereof, issued in the course of its surety business, and to bond the Companies as follows:

Any such obligations in the United States not to exceed \$50,000,000.00.

The Companies hereby ratify and confirm all and whatsoever said Attorney(s)-in-fact may lawfully do in the premises by virtue of these presents. These appointments are made under and by authority Resolutions adopted by the Board of Directors of the Companies, which resolutions are still in effect:

RESOLVED, that any of the Chief Executive Officer, the Chief Operating Officer or the Chief Underwriting Officer, acting in conjunction with the head of the surety business line for the Corporation (each an Authorized Individual" and, collectively, the Authorized Individuals"), are authorized to jointly appoint one or more attorneys-in-fact to represent and act for and on behalf of the Corporation in the transaction of the Corporation's surety business to execute (under the common seal of the Corporation if appropriate) bonds, undertakings, recognizances and other contracts of indemnity and writings obligatory in the nature thereof:

RESOLVED, that in conjunction with the Corporation's transaction of surety business the signatures and attestations of the Authorized Individuals and the seal of the Corporation be affixed to any such Power of Attorney or to any certificate relating thereto (electronic or otherwise) by facsimile and any such Power of Attorney or certificate bearing such facsimile signatures or facsimile seals (electronic or otherwise) shall be valid and bonding upon the Corporation when so affixed with respect to any bond, undertaking, recognizance or tother contract of indemnity or writing obligatory in the nature thereof;

RESOLVED, that in connection with the Corporation's transaction of surety business, the facsimile electronic or mechanically reproduced signature of any Authorized Individual, whether made heretofore or hereafter, whenever appearing upon a copy of any Power of Attorney of the Corporation, with signatures affixed as next above noted, shall be valid and binding upon the Corporation with the same force and effect as though manually affixed.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Companies have caused these presents with the respective corporate seals and to be executed by the individuals named below who are duly authorized and empowered to execute the Power of Attorney on the Companies' behalf, this 19th day of April 2023.



ASCOT SURETY & CASUALTY COMPANY
 ASCOT INSURANCE COMPANY

Matthew Kramer

Matthew Kramer (Chief Executive Officer)

Tara Quigley

Tara Quigley (Executive Vice President, Surety)

STATE OF CONNECTICUT)
 COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD) ss.

On this 19th day of April 2023, before me came the above named Chief Executive Officer of each Ascot Surety & Casualty Company and Ascot Insurance Company and the head of the surety business line for each of Ascot Surety & Casualty Company and Ascot Insurance Company, to me personally known to be the individuals described herein, and acknowledged that the seals affixed to the preceding instrument and the corporate seals of each Ascot Surety & Casualty Company and Ascot Insurance Company, and that the said corporate seals and signatures were duly affixed and subscribed to said instrument by the authority and direction of said Companies.

KSENIA E GUSEVA
Notary Public, State of Connecticut
My Commission Expires June 30, 2024

Ksenia E. Guseva

Notary Public Ksenia E Guseva
 My commission expires on June 30, 2024

I, the undersigned Secretary of the Company, do hereby certify that the foregoing excerpts of the Resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of the Companies, and the Power of Attorney issued pursuant thereto, are true and correct, and further certify that both the Resolution and the Power of Attorney are still in full force and effect.

This Certificate may be signed by facsimile under and by the authority of the following resolution of the Board of Directors of the Companies.

RESOLVED, that in connection with the Corporation's transaction of surety business the signatures and attestations of the Authorized Individuals and the seal of the Corporation be affixed to any such Power of Attorney or to any certificate relating thereto (electronic or otherwise) by facsimile and any such Power of Attorney of certificate bearing such facsimile signatures or facsimile seal (electronic or otherwise) shall be valid and binding upon the Corporation when so affixed with respect to any bond, undertaking, recognizances or other contract of indemnity or writing obligatory in the nature thereof;

IN WITNESS WHEREOF; I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Companies, this 26th day of March, 2024.

ASCOT SURETY & CASUALTY COMPANY
 ASCOT INSURANCE COMPANY

Jeff Sipos
 Jeff Sipos, Secretary

Ascot Surety & Casualty Company
Short Form Financial Statement
as of December 31, 2022

Assets:		Liabilities	
Cash and Bank Deposits	\$ 12,726,519	Unearned Premiums	\$ (749,410)
Bonds- US Government	4,295,113	Reserve for Claims & Claims Expense	47,027
Other Bonds	832,242	Funds Held Under Reinsurance Treaties	-
Common Stock in Affiliate	280,156,087	Ceded Reinsurance Premiums Payable	991,667
Real Estate	-	Provision for Reinsurance	100,720
Agents' Balances or Uncollected Premiums	165,432	Reserve for Commissions, Taxes & Other Liabilities	2,271,280
Accrued Interest and Rents	90,361		
Other Admitted Assets	829,543	Total Liabilities	\$ 2,661,285
Total Admitted Assets	\$ 299,095,296		
		Special Surplus Funds	\$ -
		Capital Stock	2,500,000
		Paid in Surplus	311,420,117
		Unassigned Surplus	(17,486,106)
		Surplus to Policyholders	296,434,011
		Total Liabilities & Surplus	\$ 299,095,296

*Bonds are stated at amortized cost. Common Stock in Affiliate is stated at statutory surplus plus unamortized goodwill.

The foregoing financial information is taken from Ascot Surety and Casualty Company's financial statement filed with Colorado Division of Insurance.

I, SHANELLE BURKE, Financial Controller of Ascot Surety & Casualty Company (the "Corporation"), do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true, and correct statement of the Assets and Liabilities of said Corporation, as of December 31, 2022, to the best of my knowledge and belief.


Financial Controller

I, JEFF SIPOS, Secretary of the Corporation, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and accurate signature of the Financial Controller of the Corporation and belief.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunder to set my hand and affixed the seal of said Corporation at New York, NY, this 18 day of day of April of 2023.


Secretary



Corporate Resolution

The undersigned, Bryan P Phillips, President for Metro Mechanical, LLC hereby resolves that Hale Gonzales, of Metro Mechanical, LLC is granted authority to act and sign on behalf of the Corporation in the following action:

1. Hale Gonzales is authorized to submit bids for Metro Mechanical LLC as evidenced by this document.
2. Hale Gonzales will be the only signor necessary to process these documents.

This is the only order of business authorized by this resolution.

Dated this the 26th day of March 2024.

Bryan P Phillips - President
Metro Mechanical, LLC

ATTEST:

Allison Wilson – VP of Finance





CERTIFICATE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE

DATE (MM/DD/YYYY)

3/26/2024

THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED AS A MATTER OF INFORMATION ONLY AND CONFERS NO RIGHTS UPON THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER. THIS CERTIFICATE DOES NOT AFFIRMATIVELY OR NEGATIVELY AMEND, EXTEND OR ALTER THE COVERAGE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES BELOW. THIS CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE ISSUING INSURER(S), AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OR PRODUCER, AND THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER.

IMPORTANT: If the certificate holder is an **ADDITIONAL INSURED**, the policy(ies) must have **ADDITIONAL INSURED** provisions or be endorsed. If **SUBROGATION** IS WAIVED, subject to the terms and conditions of the policy, certain policies may require an endorsement. A statement on this certificate does not confer rights to the certificate holder in lieu of such endorsement(s).

PRODUCER Riggs, Counselman, Michaels & Downes, Inc. 555 Fairmount Avenue Towson MD 21286	CONTACT NAME: Rebecca Gierczak MM GAU10W PHONE (A/C, No, Ext): 410-339-7263 E-MAIL ADDRESS: FBSG.Certificates@rcmd.com FAX (A/C, No): 410-339-7234
INSURED Metro Mechanical, LLC P.O. Box 368 Bolton MS 39041	INSURER(S) AFFORDING COVERAGE INSURER A : Phoenix Insurance Company INSURER B : Travelers Property Casualty Company of America INSURER C : Charter Oak Fire Insurance Company INSURER D : INSURER E : INSURER F :

COVERAGES

CERTIFICATE NUMBER: 1839661047

REVISION NUMBER:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE POLICIES OF INSURANCE LISTED BELOW HAVE BEEN ISSUED TO THE INSURED NAMED ABOVE FOR THE POLICY PERIOD INDICATED. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY REQUIREMENT, TERM OR CONDITION OF ANY CONTRACT OR OTHER DOCUMENT WITH RESPECT TO WHICH THIS CERTIFICATE MAY BE ISSUED OR MAY PERTAIN, THE INSURANCE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES DESCRIBED HEREIN IS SUBJECT TO ALL THE TERMS, EXCLUSIONS AND CONDITIONS OF SUCH POLICIES. LIMITS SHOWN MAY HAVE BEEN REDUCED BY PAID CLAIMS.

INSR LTR	TYPE OF INSURANCE	ADDL INSD	SUBR WVD	POLICY NUMBER	POLICY EFF (MM/DD/YYYY)	POLICY EXP (MM/DD/YYYY)	LIMITS
A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY <input type="checkbox"/> CLAIMS-MADE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUR GEN'L AGGREGATE LIMIT APPLIES PER: <input type="checkbox"/> POLICY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRO-JECT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> LOC OTHER:	Y	Y	VTNCO5469B537PHX24	4/1/2024	4/1/2025	EACH OCCURRENCE \$2,000,000 DAMAGE TO RENTED PREMISES (Ea occurrence) \$1,000,000 MED EXP (Any one person) \$15,000 PERSONAL & ADV INJURY \$2,000,000 GENERAL AGGREGATE \$4,000,000 PRODUCTS - COMP/OP AGG \$4,000,000 \$
C	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ANY AUTO <input type="checkbox"/> OWNED AUTOS ONLY <input type="checkbox"/> SCHEDULED AUTOS <input type="checkbox"/> HIRED AUTOS ONLY <input type="checkbox"/> NON-OWNED AUTOS ONLY	Y	Y	VTOCAP5469B549COF24	4/1/2024	4/1/2025	COMBINED SINGLE LIMIT (Ea accident) \$2,000,000 BODILY INJURY (Per person) \$ BODILY INJURY (Per accident) \$ PROPERTY DAMAGE (Per accident) \$ \$
B	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UMBRELLA LIAB <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUR <input type="checkbox"/> EXCESS LIAB <input type="checkbox"/> CLAIMS-MADE DED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RETENTION \$ 10,000			CUP4R6306452425	4/1/2024	4/1/2025	EACH OCCURRENCE \$10,000,000 AGGREGATE \$10,000,000 \$
C	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> WORKERS COMPENSATION AND EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY ANY PROPRIETOR/PARTNER/EXECUTIVE OFFICER/MEMBER EXCLUDED? (Mandatory in NH) If yes, describe under DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS below	Y/N <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N	Y	UB1S2815262425K	4/1/2024	4/1/2025	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PER STATUTE <input type="checkbox"/> OTH-ER E.L. EACH ACCIDENT \$1,000,000 E.L. DISEASE - EA EMPLOYEE \$1,000,000 E.L. DISEASE - POLICY LIMIT \$1,000,000

DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS / LOCATIONS / VEHICLES (ACORD 101, Additional Remarks Schedule, may be attached if more space is required)

Jefferson Parish, its Districts Departments and Agencies under the direction of the Parish President and the Parish Council are included as Additional Insured under General Liability & Automobile Liability as required by written contract. Waiver of Subrogation is granted under General Liability, Automobile Liability & Workers Compensation in favor of the Additional Insured as required by written contract. Umbrella follows form of underlying General Liability, Automobile Liability and Employers Liability coverage. 30 days notice of cancellation, 10 days notice of cancellation for non-payment of premium.

CERTIFICATE HOLDER**CANCELLATION**

Jefferson Parish Purchasing Department
200 Derbigny St, Ste 4400
Gretna LA 70053

SHOULD ANY OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED POLICIES BE CANCELLED BEFORE THE EXPIRATION DATE THEREOF, NOTICE WILL BE DELIVERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE POLICY PROVISIONS.

AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE

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