ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION REQUEST FOR LETTERS OF INTEREST REVISION OF STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS

Notice is hereby given that the Arkansas Department of Transportation (Department) is seeking letters of interest from qualified entities with extensive experience researching, updating, and editing standard specifications for highway and bridge construction.

The Department's current edition of the *Standard Specifications for Highway Construction* (Specifications) was published in 2014. Division 100 (General Provisions) of the Specifications was last updated in the 1996 edition.

The scope of anticipated work will consist of providing advisory and technical support services associated with a comprehensive update of Division 100. The selected firm will be tasked with:

- Providing technical and advisory assistance to the Chief Engineer Operations, Construction Division, Legal Division, and associated Task Forces
- Ensuring compliance with Arkansas contract law and federal regulations.
- Researching and providing guidance on relevant highway and bridge construction specifications.
- Ensuring that Department policies and industry standards are accurately detailed.
- Partnering with industry to develop modern specifications that improve project delivery, reduce costs and delays, and improve efficiency.

Responses in PDF format should be sent to <u>consultantcoordinator@ardot.gov</u> no later than 4:00 p.m. CDT on April 9, 2024. A one-page cover letter with primary contact information shall be addressed to Rex Vines, Chief Engineer—Operations.

Interested parties must furnish Architect-Engineer Qualifications Standard **Form (SF 330)** Parts I and II, completed Contract and Grant Disclosure **Form (EO 98-04)**, and a current copy of the firm's equal employment opportunity **(EEO) policy** as required per Arkansas Code Annotated (Ark. Code Ann.) §19-11-104. SF330 and EO9804 forms can be found at <u>www.ardot.gov/divisions/consultant-services-2</u>.

No.	Evaluation Factors for LOIs	Maximum Points Possible
1	Professional staff including the education, experience, number of personnel available, licensure and registration (if required), and any partnerships with subconsultants	10
2	General and professional reputation, including responsiveness to civil rights and equal employment opportunity requirements and opportunities	10
3	*Past work performance with the Department	10
4	Experience with projects of a similar nature as those advertised	10
	Total Points for LOI	40

*Past performance or evaluations from other clients will be considered when the firm has not worked for the Department previously.

The Department complies with the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, FHWA Guidance and any other Federal, State, and/or local laws, rules and/or regulations. This notice is available from the ADA/504/Title VI Coordinator in large print, on audiotape and in Braille.