

INVITATION TO BID

The Town of Newington will accept bids for Cirrus Spreadsmart Ground Speed Orientation conversion packages to be mounted on existing Town snow fighting vehicles with live hydraulics. All bids must be submitted in accordance with Town specifications and on forms supplied by the Town. Bid forms and specifications are available in the office of the Town Manager, 131 Cedar Street, Newington, CT 06111 and at www.newingtonct.gov, in the Doing Business, Current Bids section. Bids will be received and opened publicly at 2:30 p.m. on September 17, 2009. The Town of Newington reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

John L. Salomone
Town Manager

Bid No. 6, 2009-10

TOWN OF NEWINGTON
CIRUS SNOW FIGHTING CONTROLS
GENERAL INFORMATION

Intent

It is the intent of the Town of Newington to have four (4) snow fighting plow trucks used by the Newington Highway Department retrofitted with Cirus Spreadsmart Rx ground speed controls. Although the basis of award and the Town's intent is to purchase four installed ground speed orientation conversion packages, available funding will determine the quantity actually purchased. It is also the intent of the Town to extend any bid award and bid results to any other municipal entity who wishes to purchase one or more of the same control conversion package within 90 days after the bid opening.

Bid Procedures

All bids shall be submitted on forms provided by the Town of Newington and addressed to the Town Manager's Office, Town Hall, 131 Cedar Street, Newington, CT 06111. Bids will be opened and read publicly at 2:30 p.m. on September 17, 2009 in the Town Manager's Office. Sealed bid envelopes should be clearly labeled "Bid No. 6, 2009-10, Cirus Snow Fighting Controls."

The Town reserves the right to waive informalities or to reject any or all bids when such action is deemed to be in the best interests of the Town. The Town reserves the right to delete such items as it deems necessary from these proposals. The Town further reserves the right to reject the bid from any firm who is more than thirty days delinquent on payment of money due the Town.

Delivery

Delivery of equipment to and from the awarded contractor shall be made by the Newington Highway Department, 281 Milk Lane, Newington. Accordingly, the location where the Town's vehicles will be delivered to and picked up from shall be within fifty miles of the Newington Highway Garage. The trucks that will receive the conversion packages are active components of the Town's vehicle and snow fighting fleet. No more than one truck shall be off line at the Contractor's location at any one time. Once a truck is delivered to the Contractor's location the Contractor shall completely install the conversion package within ten calendar days and shall notify the Town of Newington Highway Superintendent by fax or by telephone that the vehicle is ready for pickup by the Town. There are no direct financial penalties associated with failure to meet this deadline, but such failure may result, at the Town's sole discretion, in the Town declaring the Contractor to be a non-responsive vendor, which would prevent any future business activity with the Town. Before the Town formally accepts the installation of the conversion package the vehicle will be inspected, either at the Contractor's location or at the Newington Highway Garage. This inspection shall be to verify that the installation has been completed in a professional and workmanlike manner. If it is not, the vehicle shall not be accepted and shall be turned back to the Contractor to complete the installation to the Town's satisfaction within the ten day time period identified above.

Inquiries and Addenda

Any questions regarding this bid shall be addressed to Hermas Lavoie, Mechanic Foreman, 281 Milk Lane, Newington, CT 06111, telephone (860) 667-5810, between 7:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Questions shall be presented by the close of business on September 14, 2009 in order to allow sufficient time for the preparation and posting of addenda on the Town's website, <http://www.newingtonct.gov> in the Doing Business, Current Bids section. All bidders are responsible for monitoring the Town's website to determine the existence and content of any addenda issued for this bid. No addenda shall be posted by the Town within 48 hours of the bid opening.

Nondiscrimination

The Contractor shall agree and warrant that it will not discriminate or permit discrimination against any person or group of persons on the grounds of sex, race, color, religion, age, marital status, ancestry, national origin, past history of mental disorder, mental disability, physical disability or other basis in any manner prohibited by the laws of the United States, the State of Connecticut, or the Town of Newington.

Substitutions

The Cirus Spreadsmart Rx ground speed orientation conversion package was specified in order to standardize the Town's fleet and to match other existing systems on that are already installed on other Town vehicles. No substitutions of this product shall be accepted by the Town.

Safety

The system ware applicable must meet all Federal and State regulations as well as OSHA regulations and be so certified. The appointed contractor shall provide caution labels, decals and any warnings deemed necessary. The warranty period shall also be submitted on the Bid Form.

Award

The amount bid shall be for one (1) new Cirus Spreadsmart Rx ground speed orientation conversion package, installed, as specified. The Town will multiply the amount on the Bid Form times four to determine the lowest responsible bidder. It is the intent to award to the lowest responsible bidder so long as the bid does not exceed the funds available. The Town reserves the right to award to the bidder whose combination of base bid and alternate bid item or items best meets the needs of the Town.

Payment

Payment for successfully installed conversion packages shall be made by the Town within thirty days following receipt of an invoice by the Newington Finance Department, 131 Cedar Street, Newington, CT 06111.

Extension of Award

It is also the intention of the Town of Newington to extend the opportunity to other municipalities who wish to do so to use this bid for the purchase of the same conversion package. All agreements, awards, contracts, or purchases by other municipalities arising from this bid

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BID FORM

Town Manager
Town of Newington
131 Cedar Street
Newington, CT 06111

In accordance with the specifications, the undersigned hereby submits the following bid for a new Cirus Spreadsmart Rx ground speed orientation conversion package, for use in municipal snow fighting trucks, for the amount of:

\$ _____ each

Alternate 1

Mild steel enclosed box in lieu of Stainless steel, subtract:

\$ _____ each.

Alternate 2

Road Watch sensor control system tied into programmable automated de-icing material controller for automatic Rx temperature controlled material spreading, add:

\$ _____ each.

The manufacturer's warranty is enclosed. The undersigned is submitting this bid without collusion with any other individual or corporation.

SUBMITTED FOR

SUBMITTED BY

Firm: _____

Signature _____

Address: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

Telephone: _____