



July 16, 2014

REQUEST FOR LETTERS OF INTEREST FOR DESIGN-BUILD SERVICES AND SITE VISIT

The Terminal Railroad Association of St. Louis (TRRA) is soliciting Letters of Interest from companies interested in providing Design-Build services for the Merchants Bridge West Approach Project in St. Louis, Missouri.

The project's primary purpose is to rebuild the 1889 west approach to provide a reliable railroad approach alignment for the next century.

One Design-Build team will be selected to design and construct the project. The scope of the project will be:

- To protect existing utilities with utility bridges and relocate several utilities within the ROW.
- To design and build ground improvement.
- To design and build a cellular concrete encasement fill of the existing west approach substructure retained by MSE style wall panels.
- To remove and replace the existing west approach superstructure with a new ballasted cross section.
- To replace the existing trackwork on structure, including special trackwork, onto the new ballasted cross section.
- To re-align the existing Ferry Street to the south.

TRRA will use a Best Value selection process to evaluate the ability of the Design-Build proposers to meet or exceed the following project goals:

- Deliver the design-build project within or under the project budget.
- Complete the project by December 31, 2015.
- Provide a stable and durable fill for supporting rail traffic over a 100 year life.
- Minimize the impact of track outages during construction.
- Provide a quality product following the American Railway Engineering and Maintenance-of-Way Association (AREMA) Manual for Railway Engineering and industry standards, resulting in a long lasting transportation facility.
- Perform all work safely and in compliance with all local, state, federal and railroad requirements.



An informational meeting is scheduled on July 31, 2014 from 9-11 a.m. at the project site:

30 Ferry Street
St. Louis, MO 63147.

The Request for Qualifications (RFQ) will be posted to MODOT's website at http://www.modot.org/business/contractor_resources/bid_opening_info/advertisement.htm on or before July 31, 2014. At the meeting, there will be a sign-in and walk through of the project, followed by a question and answer period and time for networking. Participants shall bring construction boots, hard hats, safety vests, and eye protection.

Firms interested in receiving Merchants Bridge West Approach Design-Build information should send a one-page **Letter of Interest** to TRRA via email to efields@terminalrailroad.com no later than Thursday, August 14, 2014, to ensure that you receive all information.

Address all letters to:

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Include in your Letter of Interest the company name and a contact person at your company including, address, phone and fax numbers, and e-mail. Please indicate if your firm is a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE).