

## **BID ADVERTISEMENT**

Invitation to bid on the CREATE WA3 Project in Chicago, IL (Cook County) Norfolk Southern Railway Company (Ashland Ave. Yard, Milepost UW-0.3)

Generally the project consists of the following:

Chicago, IL Rehabilitation of 3 bridges on Ashland Yard Lead Project (WA3-NS-XXB-D-006-BD). Bridge UW-0.30 over Union Ave., Bridge UW-0.35 over Emerald Ave., & UW-0.40 over Halsted St.

Norfolk Southern proposes the Rehabilitation of bridge structural steel and replacement of concrete ballast deck. Work will include removal of the existing concrete ballast deck, repair/replacement of the steel cross girders and stringers, repairs to steel columns, and repairs to concrete abutments. Contractor will provide new concrete backwalls and new concrete ballast deck with curbs and railings.

All track work will be performed by Railway forces except for installation of new sub-ballast by contractor. Work on each bridge is similar and will be performed in simultaneous stages as active Railway tracks are relocated by Company forces. At least two tracks will remain on each bridge throughout the project. Contractor will also supply and install necessary temporary supports to facilitate continued use of bridges by railway traffic during the various construction phases. Necessary painting of steel structure is included. An abandoned cattle pass immediately adjacent to the east abutment of the Halsted St. bridge will be filled in as part of the project.

Contract selection is expected around April 2009.

Additionally, this project will be funded in part by federal and/or state funds. Therefore, bidder will be required to comply with certain State and Federal policies, such as Equal Employment Opportunity, Veterans Preference, Disadvantaged Business Enterprise participation, and Illinois Department of Labor prevailing wage rates. Insurance requirements (subject to change) are: Commercial General Liability combined single limit \$2M per occurrence; Automobile Liability combined single limit \$1M per occurrence; Employers' Liability Insurance; Builder's Risk Insurance; Workers' Compensation Insurance. NS requires that the railroad be named as an additional insured. Insurance coverage cannot be denied within 50 feet of a railroad. Health and Safety Plan is required. NS requires that a project manager be committed for the duration of a job. Contractor safety orientation training and employee participation in e-RailSafe program is required.

Diversity requirement on contracting is 12 (twelve) percent.

Request of a Bid Package with all contract documents and for an invitation to bid is open until March 6, 2009 or by receipt at the pre-bid meeting from Norfolk Southern Corporation.

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A mandatory pre-bid meeting and site inspection is scheduled for March 11, 2009.

**Interested contractors are required to attend the pre-bid meeting.**

For more information on CREATE go to <http://www.createprogram.org/>