



City of Duluth
Purchasing Division
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*******ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS*******
BIDS DUE NOVEMBER 16, 2017

BID NO. 17-0611; TEMPORARY STEAM TO HOT WATER ENERGY TRANSFER STATIONS

Duluth Energy Systems (DES) in Duluth, MN, is undergoing a conversion from a steam-based district energy distribution network to a hot water-based district energy network. The current once-through steam distribution network under Superior Street in downtown will be replaced with supply and return hot water piping. The conversion is being completed in three phases, with the first two phases requiring temporary steam to hot water energy transfer stations (ETS). The City of Duluth and DES are seeking a contractor to provide, install, start-up, and commission these temporary ETSs. It is anticipated that the temporary ETS for Phase I will be required to be delivered on site by June 30, 2018, and the unit for Phase II by June 30, 2019. Please see the drawings and specifications for more information.

There will be no prebid meeting for this project. Bidders should submit questions to purchasing@duluthmn.gov. Answers will be issued in the form of an addendum.

Bids may be submitted electronically through Bid Express® at www.bidexpress.com until 2:00 p.m. local time on **Thursday, November 16, 2017**. Electronic bids are preferred; suppliers wishing to submit a paper bid must contact the purchasing office. **EMAIL BIDS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.** The City Purchasing Agent will conduct a public bid opening in City Hall, Room 100, immediately after the deadline for receiving bids.

Specifications may be viewed and downloaded at no cost at www.bidexpress.com. Bidders must create a free account with Bid Express®; and login to search for city projects (search by "City of Duluth" or bid number). Bidders will be required to create an Info Tech Digital ID in order to bid, which can take up to five (5) business days to process. Please allow ample time to obtain your digital id prior to the bid deadline. Bid Express® does charge a nominal fee for bid submission. More information can be found at https://www.bidexpress.com/vendor_resources

The City of Duluth reserves the right to waive informalities and to reject any or all bids.

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