ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed Bid Proposals will be received by Construction Administration, The University of Alabama, 1205 14th Street, Tuscaloosa, Alabama 35401, **Tuesday May 11, 2010 until 2:00pm CDT** for construction of the **Bryant Conference Center Courtyard and Landscaping Addition** at The University of Alabama, UA Project #301-09-030, at which time they will be opened and read.

General Contractors and Subcontractors in the trades of Site Work, Masonry, Landscaping and Electrical are required to prequalify prior to requesting Bid Documents. If you are not on the University's Master Prequalification List and are interested in being prequalified for this Project, please request a Prequalification Request Packet from Mr. Rob Cooper, UA Project Manager, University of Alabama Construction Administration at (205) 348-8127. Return one (1) copy of your firm's qualifications in the format described in the Prequalification Request Packet to the office of Birchfield Penuel and Associates, 2805 Crescent Avenue Suite 200, Birmingham, AL 35209 and two (2) copies to The University of Alabama Construction Administration, 1205 14th Street, Tuscaloosa, Alabama 35401, Attention: Mr. Rob Cooper, UA Project Manager (205) 348-8127 **on or before 5:00pm CDT, Tuesday April 20, 2010. Only on-time, hard copies will be accepted. Faxed, e-mailed, or late submittals will not be accepted.** In reviewing the submittals, emphasis will be placed on your firm's experience with projects similar in size and type to this project and experience with projects on college campuses. For a copy of the University's Master Prequalification List contact UA Project Manager Rob Cooper at (205)348-8127. A written list of Contractors receiving prequalification to bid the Bryant Conference Center Courtyard and Landscaping Addition will be issued to all who requested consideration by **5:00pm CDT, Wednesday, April 28, 2010.**

Note: Any Contractor not already on UA's master list that has been previously prequalified for University of Alabama projects of similar size and scope within the last six (6) months, and who is interested in bidding on this project, may submit a letter to the Project Manager on or before **5:00pm CDT, Tuesday, April 20, 2010** requesting a waiver of the prequalification requirement for this project. The Project Manager shall advise the Contractor in writing within two business days from the receipt of the request as to whether the waiver shall be granted. The Awarding Authority reserves the right to request additional relevant project specific information and relevant experience information to determine whether to grant the waiver or to request the Contractor to submit a full prequalification packet. **Contractors are advised to request waivers as soon as possible.** **In no event** shall the Awarding Authority accept prequalification packets after the submission deadline of **5:00pm CDT, Tuesday, April 20, 2010.**

A **mandatory pre-bid conference** for General Contractors will be held at the Conference Room of the UA Facilities Administration Department at the above address at **10:00am CDT, Tuesday May 4, 2010** and continue on to the job site.

Plans, Specifications, and Contract Documents are open to public inspection and will be available **starting April 5, 2010** for **EXAMINATION ONLY,** at The University of Alabama, Office of Construction Administration, 1205 14th Street, Tuscaloosa, AL 35401.

Plans and specifications will also be made available on **April 20, 2010** for **EXAMINATION ONLY** at Tuscaloosa Blueprinting and Reprographics LLC, 1926 University Blvd., Tuscaloosa, Alabama 35401; Reed Construction Data, Document Processing Center, 30 Technology Parkway South, Suite 500, Norcross, GA, 30092-2912; AESC Superstore, 3901 Greensboro Avenue, Tuscaloosa, Alabama 35405; Associated General Contractors of America, Inc., c/o ISqFt Plan Room 2801 5th Ave. South

Birmingham, AL 35233; and McGraw-Hill Construction Dodge, 3535 Grandview Parkway, Suite 225 Birmingham, Alabama 35243.

Plans, Specifications, and Contract Documents will be available on **April 20, 2010**, are open to public inspection, and may be obtained from the Architect, Birchfield Penuel and Associates, (205-870-1876). Up to two sets of full-size drawings and specifications may be obtained by Contractors, upon request to Birchfield Penuel and Associates, and upon a deposit of $50.00 per set, made payable to Birchfield Penuel and Associates, which is refundable upon receipt of a bona fide bid and upon the return of the drawings and specifications in good condition within ten days after the bid opening. Deposit will be forfeited if the Contractor fails to submit a bona fide bid and fails to return drawings and specifications not later than seven days prior to date of bid opening. Contractors may obtain additional full-size sets of drawings and specifications for $50.00 per set that covers the cost of reproduction and mailing. This payment is to be made by separate check, as it is not refundable. Subcontractors, Material Suppliers and others may obtain drawings and specifications at the cost of reproduction and mailing as stated above, which is not refundable.

Bid security shall be deposited with each bid as provided in Instructions to Bidders. No bid may be withdrawn after the scheduled closing time for the receipt of bids for a period of 60 days. The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive informalities. All bidders shall meet licensing requirements of Title 34, Chapter 8, Code of Alabama.