ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed Bid Proposals will be received by Construction Administration, The University of Alabama, 1205 14th Street, Tuscaloosa, Alabama 35401, **Thursday, October 15, 2009 until 2:00pm CDT** for construction of the **Foster Auditorium - Renovation and Expansion Package** at The University of Alabama, **UA Project #059-09-020C**, at which time they will be opened and read.

General Contractors and Subcontractors in the trades of masonry, mechanical/plumbing, electrical, and fire protection 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 Packet **via email** from Ms. Courtney Pittman at Davis Architects, cpittman@dadot.com, 205-322-7482. Return one (1) copy of your firm's qualifications in the format described in the Prequalification Request Packet to the office of Davis Architects, 120 23rd Street South, Birmingham, AL 35233 Attention: Ms. Courtney Pittman, and one (1) copy to The University of Alabama Construction Administration, 1205 14th Street, Tuscaloosa, Alabama 35401, Attention: Mr. Brooks Ballentine, UA Project Manager, 205-348-5950, on or before **5:00pm CDT, September 22, 2009. 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 Mr. Brooks Ballentine at 205-348-5950. A list of Contractors receiving prequalification to bid the **Foster Auditorium - Renovation and Expansion Package** will be issued to all who requested consideration by **5:00pm CDT, September 29, 2009**. Note: Any Contractor that has been previously prequalified for University of Alabama projects of similar size and scope within the last six (6) months, and who are interested in bidding on this project, may submit a letter by **5:00pm CDT September 22, 2009** to the Project Manager requesting a waiver of the prequalification requirement for this project. The Project Manager shall advise the Contractor in writing by **5:00pm CDT September 29, 2009** regarding acceptance or rejection of the request.

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 on Thursday, October 1, 2009**, and continue on to the job site.

Plans, Specifications, and Contract Documents will be available on **Friday, September 25, 2009**, are open to public inspection, and may be obtained from the Architect/Engineer, Davis Architects at 205-322-7482, Attn: Ms. Courtney Pittman. Up to two sets of full-size drawings and specifications may be obtained by Contractors, upon request to Davis Architects and upon a deposit of $300 per set, made payable to Davis Architects, 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 $325 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.

Plans, Specifications, and Contract Documents are open to public inspection and will be available for **EXAMINATION ONLY** starting **Monday, September 28, 2009**, at The University of Alabama, Office of Construction Administration, 1205 14th Street, Tuscaloosa, AL 35401. Plans and specifications will also be made available 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., 5000 Grantswood Road, Irondale, Alabama 35210; and McGraw-Hill Construction Dodge, 1011 Edenton Street, Birmingham, Alabama 35242.

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.