

TEXAS TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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The State Purchasing and General Services Act, Government Code, Chapter 2155 et seq., authorizes the Texas Department of Transportation (department) to issue a purchase order for the purchase of services to a firm to provide project management, business requirements gathering and analysis, and business process improvement services to identify business needs and recommend organizational, financial, and other core process improvements. The Comptroller of Public Accounts has adopted rules and procedures governing such a purchase in 34 TAC Chapter 20.

On October 6, 2008, the department issued a Request for Proposal (RFP) seeking to contract with a firm to provide project management, business requirements gathering and analysis, and business process improvement services to identify business needs and recommend organizational, financial and other core process improvements. One of the major deliverables from this project was to be TxDOT's documented requirements for a new financial system that was to be submitted to the Comptroller for use in that agency's statewide Enterprise Resources Planning project. Nine firms submitted responses to the RFP.

On December 18, 2008, by Minute Order 111620, the Texas Transportation Commission (commission) authorized and directed the department to begin negotiations with firms to provide project management, business requirements gathering and analysis, and business process improvement services to identify business needs and recommend organizational, financial, and other core process improvements. These negotiations took place in January and February 2009.

The situation has changed since the negotiations began. Specifically:

- TxDOT has been asked by the Chairman of the Senate Transportation Committee to complete a management and organizational study, similar to a recent Department of Public Safety study, that could result in organizational changes affecting the majority of the areas to be studied under this project.
- Sunset and other pending legislation could result in organizational changes to the department which would create different business needs.
- The available state and federal funding has grown increasingly uncertain and funding has not yet been authorized for this project.

With these ongoing activities, there is a significant concern that a needs analysis done now may not be applicable by the time it is complete and the funding becomes available for the Enterprise Resources Planning project.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the commission that a contract not be awarded and that this procurement be cancelled in its entirety.

Submitted and reviewed by:

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