Invitation to Bid

Project: Nursing Building Reno & Add. Early Release Bid Package 06B (Integrated Audiovisual Systems and Equipment Bid Package). SBC No. 540/009-16-2021, Knoxville,TN

Blaine Construction Corporation (Construction Manager/General Contractor) will be accepting bids from pre-qualified subcontractors for the work in this bid package.

Bid Documents include:

- Project Drawings.
- Project Manual.
- Integrated Audiovisual Systems and Equipment Specifications.
- Audiovisual Systems Drawings.
- Audiovisual Systems Bidding Equipment List
- Work Category's (Scope of Work).
- Invitation to bid.
- Bid Form.

Bid Documents will be available to pre-qualified bidders from our on-line plan room www.blaineconstructionplans.com on Wednesday November 22, 2023.

All bidders must be licensed per state law and pre-qualified prior to bidding.

There will be a **pre-bid meeting** via ZOOM on November 30, 2023-time TBD. Information regarding the meeting will follow by email to all pre-qualified bidders of record.

Bids Received At: Blaine Construction Corporation, 6510 Deane Hill Drive, Knoxville, TN until 2:00 pm local time, on December 20, 2023. Bids may also be emailed directly to wgilley@blaineconstruction.com. Bids to be publicly opened via ZOOM on-line meeting. A ZOOM invitation will be sent to all bidders prior to December 20, 2023. Bid bonds will not be required. Successful bidders will be required to furnish a 100% payment and performance bond (Reference Work Category for other requirements).

Questions shall be submitted to Wayne Gilley, in writing, no later than 2 pm local time **December 8, 2023.** Submit all questions by e-mail wgilley@blaineconstruction.com. **DIVERSITY PARTICIPATION**

A. It is the express desire of The University of Tennessee and the State Building Commission to include an emphasis on diversity in its contractual relationships with contractors for the construction, demolition, or renovation of State projects under the jurisdiction of the Commission. The Commission acknowledges that firms

who demonstrate and embrace diversity within their programs and policies are assisting the State in achieving its goals in building a more reflective marketplace

of the community within this State.

B. It is a requirement of all successful Bidders or proposers on projects under the jurisdiction of the State Building Commission that they report to the State the names and amounts of contracts entered with diversity-owned businesses on their contract with the State for the State to collect data on such participation.