



## NOTICE INVITING BIDS

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that sealed bids will be received in the Office of the Secretary of the District, Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District (District), either by U.S. Postal Service addressed to its mailing address, P.O. Box 9000, Presidio Station, San Francisco, CA 94129-0601; or by courier or personal delivery to the Administration Building, Golden Gate Bridge Toll Plaza, San Francisco, CA, on **Thursday, October 13, 2011, by 2:00 p.m., Pacific Standard Time**, at which time bids will be publicly opened and read in the Board Room of said building for the following:

### CONTRACT NO. 2012-FT-3 M.S. MARIN FERRY STABILITY AND ACCESSIBILITY IMPROVEMENTS

The District seeks bids for improvements to the stability and accessibility of the M.S. Marin ferry. Bids shall be submitted on the District's "Bid Form" and enclosed in a sealed envelope marked, "**CONTRACT NO. 2012-FT-3, M.S. MARIN FERRY STABILITY AND ACCESSIBILITY IMPROVEMENTS,**" and plainly endorsed with Bidder's name and address.

A Pre-Bid Conference will be held in the Conference Room at the Larkspur Ferry Terminal, Ferry Division Administration Building, 101 East Sir Francis Drake Boulevard, Larkspur, CA on **Friday, September 30, 2011, at 11:00 a.m., Pacific Standard Time**. Attendance at the Pre-Bid Conference is not mandatory, but is strongly recommended.

Bids must be accompanied by a Bidder's security either in the form of a certified or cashier's check, irrevocable standby letter of credit or Bidder's Bond, as described in the documents, which shall be applied to damages sustained by the District in the event that the successful Bidder fails or refuses to enter into a contract awarded to it by the District.

The District hereby notifies all Bidders that it is the policy of the District to ensure nondiscrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin or sex in the award and administration of contracts. Bidders are strongly encouraged to obtain Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) participation on this project, although there is no contract-specific DBE goal. For DBE assistance, contact Gail Jackson, DBE Program Administrator, at (415) 257-4581.

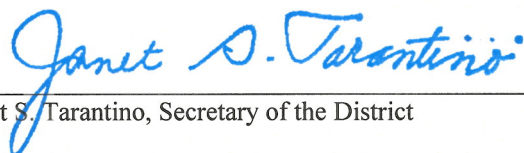
This Contract may be subject to financial assistance from the U.S. Department of Transportation. Bidders will be required to certify that they have not been suspended or debarred from participation in federally-funded contracts. Bidders must also disclose lobbying activities. Full compliance with all applicable Safety and Health Standards, DBE requirements, Equal Employment Opportunity, and Americans with Disabilities Act laws and regulations will be required of the successful Bidder.

Request for approved equals, modification, or clarification of any requirement must be submitted in writing by **Tuesday, October 4, 2011, at 4:30 p.m., Pacific Standard Time**.

Bids will be examined and reported to the Board of Directors within ninety (90) calendar days after the bids have been opened. The District reserves the right to reject any and all bids; or to waive any irregularities or informalities in any bid or in the bid procedure; or to postpone the bid opening for good cause. No Bidder may withdraw its bid for a period of ninety (90) calendar days after the date of opening of the bids. Each Bidder will be notified of award of contract, if award is made.

The Bid Documents are available for download on the District's web site. To download the documents, go to the District's web site home page at <http://www.goldengate.org>, click on Contract Opportunities, scroll down to Ferry Division and look for Contract No. 2012-FT-3. For those who wish to download the Bid Documents from the District's web site, your name will not appear on the District's "List of Potential Bidders" unless you notify the Office of the Secretary of the District. The District requests that all potential Bidders who download Bid documents complete the "List of Potential Bidders" form in Word format, posted with the Bid Documents, and return the form to the Office of the Secretary of the District. Ultimately, it is the responsibility of the Bidder to check the District's web site for any Addenda that may be issued relative to this Contract.

To inspect and obtain the Bid Documents or for additional information, please contact the Office of the Secretary of the District, by telephone at (415) 923-2223, by e-mail at [districtsecretary@goldengate.org](mailto:districtsecretary@goldengate.org) or by facsimile at (415) 923-2013.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Janet S. Tarantino". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, flowing "J" and "T".

Janet S. Tarantino, Secretary of the District

Dated at San Francisco, this 29<sup>th</sup> day of September 2011.