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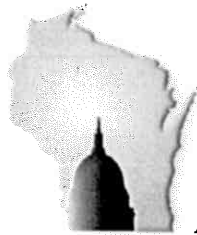
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April 23, 2008

The Honorable Bob Jauch
Room 118 South
State Capitol
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Dear Senator Jauch,

Re: Proposed Amendment to Chapter Adm 21 – Advertising, Bidding and Award of Construction Contracts to Permit the Submission of Electronic Bids for State Construction Projects.

Current Administrative Code (developed in 1979) requires firms interested in bidding on state construction projects to submit bids to the Department of Administration (DOA) in Madison or Eau Claire.

This practice has been inequitable for firms outside of Madison and Eau Claire due to the variance in preparation time for bid submissions and has likely resulted in some firms not participating in State work. This is especially true for small firms in the highly competitive construction industry. As a result, the DOA and Division of State Facilities has been approached by legislators and others to consider rule changes that assure that distance is no longer an issue in submitting bids for state construction projects.

To address this issue, we are considering rule changes that will allow us the authority to have electronic bidding. We recognize that business practices have changed dramatically since 1979, and would like to enhance our current business practices by offering electronic bidding as an option for submitting bids for state construction projects. It is anticipated that this process will provide for standardized and fair bidding for contractors and small businesses on a statewide basis while maintaining bid integrity. In addition, electronic bidding could enhance the construction of state projects and speed up the processing of construction documents.

The purpose of this letter is to let you know that we are going to hold public hearings on those rule changes and to encourage you to notify any constituents that may be interested about them. If you or any of your constituents wish to comment on the proposed rule changes, attend the public hearings or provide written feedback, please see the information listed below:

HEARING INFORMATION:

DATE: May 14, 2008
TIME: 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM
LOCATION: Wisconsin Department of Administration Building
101 East Wilson Street, First Floor, St. Croix Conference Room
Madison, Dane County

DATE: May 15, 2008
TIME: 10:00 AM to 12:00 Noon
LOCATION: Wisconsin Eau Claire State Office Building
718 West Clairemont Avenue, First Floor Conference Room 105
Eau Claire, Eau Claire County

AGENCY CONTACT PERSON:

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For information regarding Chapter Adm 21, and the statutory authority for amending these rules (WI stats. 16.004(1), 16.855(15) and 227.11), please see the wisconsin.gov web pages regarding administrative rules and statutes provided by the State Legislative Reference Bureau at:
<http://www.legis.state.wi.us/rsb/code.htm> (The Wisconsin Administrative Code & Register); and
<http://www.legis.state.wi.us/rsb/stats.html> (The Updated Wisconsin Statutes & Annotations).

Please feel free to contact me if you have questions concerning this or any other issues regarding the Division of State Facilities.

Sincerely,



David W. Helbach, Administrator
Division of State Facilities

cc: Michael L. Morgan, Secretary
Department of Administration