#### **EXHIBIT 1**

Solicitation Date: December 16, 2014

PROPOSALS ARE REQUESTED FROM QUALIFIED, LICENSED (GENERAL) CONTRACTORS BY THE State of Florida, Department of Military Affairs HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AS OWNER, FOR CONSTRUCTION OF:

PROJECT NUMBER: 214001

PROJECT NAME & LOCATION: NTC Orlando, 8385 Daetwyler Drive, Orlando, Florida

FOR: The Florida Army National Guard, Construction & Facility Management Office

POTENTIAL RESPONDENTS TO THE SOLICITATION ARE ENCOURAGED TO CAREFULLY REVIEW ALL THE MATERIALS CONTAINED HEREIN AND PREPARE RESPONSES ACCORDINGLY.

Estimated construction cost between \$3,000,000.00 and \$3,500,000.00.

# GENERAL PROJECT DESCRIPTION (SEE BIDDING DOCUMENTS FOR COMPLETE DETAILS)

**THE SCOPE OF WORK** for this project consists of the construction of a new stand-alone, 12,500 SF Annex Building; a new standalone 2,000 SF Unit Storage Building (that will be bid as an alternate bid item); and a partial renovation of the existing 21,336 SF Armory Building. The Annex Building will be registered with the USGC to achieve a Silver Rating for new construction and major renovations.

Additional work includes site improvements such as an upgraded vehicle parking area which includes seal coating and striping the existing asphalt parking lot, new sidewalks, landscaping, and new pole mounted lighting. Additional site improvements include new sidewalks between buildings and in the right-of-way and new storm water retention and management area. In addition, a new 5666 +/- square yards of asphalt paved motor pool area will be constructed on existing green field which includes additional pole mounted lighting and underground exfiltration trenching for onsite storm water management.

The Annex Building's foot print is 100' 0" by 125' 0" and will consist of concrete slab on grade and a preengineered steel building frame with reinforced CMU wall construction, a flat metal roof deck and an SBS built-up roofing and insulation system with metal gutters and downspouts. Roof eave height is 20' 0" AFF and 2<sup>nd</sup> roof eave height of 12' 6" AFF. The exterior walls will be insulated using exterior insulation and finishing systems (EIFS) and spray foam cavity insulation with expanding masonry insulation within the hollow cell of the exterior CMU walls. Interior partition consists of light gauge metal framing with painted gypsum wall board. Interior ceiling consist of a combination of suspended, painted gypsum ceiling and suspended acoustical tile ceilings. Exterior doors consist of insulated hollow metal doors and frames. Windows and storefront are fixed aluminum framed with insulated impact resistant, low-E coated glass. Various flooring finishes are specified which include polished concrete (in the Drill hall and Lobby) ceramic tile (in restrooms) and carpet (in administration areas). The Annex Building will be fully sprinklered. The building will be served by (5) energy efficient split DX, HVAC units. Lighting will consist of all new LED fixtures.

The Unit Storage Building will be bid as alternate bid item. The building's foot print is 100' 0" by 20' 0" and will consist of concrete slab on grade and a pre-engineered steel building frame with reinforced CMU wall construction on 3-sides and corrugated metal wall panels on the 4<sup>th</sup> side. The roof will consist of a standing seam metal, shed roof on steel purlins. The roof will be insulated with pre-engineered building insulation. The interior of the Unit Storage Building will be partitioned into 10-storage bays that are separated with chain-link

fencing. Each storage bay will have an individual pair of hollow metal doors to exterior. Flooring consists of sealed concrete. The building will be naturally ventilated with (2) louvers. Pendant hung, LED lights will provide lighting for each individual storage bay.

The existing Armory Building was constructed in the 1950s with additions made in the 1970s and 2004. The original building construction consists of concrete slab on grade, CMU walls and a wood framed flat roof. Later additions were slab on grade with CMU walls and metal deck flat roof, and the most recent addition consisting of slab on grade with CMU walls and wood framed shed roof. The existing Armory Building will receive a partial renovation that will include: life safety upgrades for building egress and the installation of an automatic fire sprinkler system throughout the building; a remodel to upgrade two existing unisex restrooms into separate men's and women's ADA restroom; energy code upgrades in the form of addition of insulation under the existing flat roof, wall insulation in the form of a new exterior mounted EIFS; replacement of the existing doors, windows and storefront; replacement of the existing HVAC units with new, energy efficient HVAC units, and replacement of the remaining T-12 fluorescent light fixtures with new T-8 fluorescent light fixtures. In addition the existing 2x4 acoustical ceilings and gypsum board ceilings will be replaced with 2x2 acoustical ceilings in the majority of the building areas. Also, the buildings current DATA/Telecomm equipment and cabling will be upgraded to current military specifications.

Building must meet code compliance with: 2010 Florida Building Code and current State Fire Marshall requirements as well as current requirements of the local permitting Authorities Having Jurisdiction and Area Water Management requirements, and any other permits and fees required by local municipal, county or state authorities.

Regulatory permitting to include the preparation, submittal, payment and review coordination of the Environmental Resource Permit (including permit fees), Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Notice of Intent (including filing fees), City of Orlando / Orange County Review Permit Fee, and any other permits and fees required by other county, local or state authorities.

# The Requirement of this project is to attain LEED Silver Certification. Refer to Exhibit A below for required General Contractor LEED Qualification Criteria

**QUALIFICATION:** Each bidder whose field is governed by Chapter 399, 455, 489, and 633 of the Florida Statutes for licensure or certification must submit qualification data of their eligibility Form FNG 5085 Contractor's Experience Questionnaire and Financial Statement **with their bid** at the time of the bid opening. DMA has been directed by NGB that all new and major renovation construction projects must be designed and built to meet LEED Silver Certification.

### Exhibit A - Specific LEED Qualifications:

The sustainable initiatives of this project will be scored according to USGBC LEED. The requirement for this project is to successfully be awarded LEED Silver or better. As a result, it is imperative to have a contractor that is experienced with LEED and is committed to the successful achievement of LEED Silver. To support these goals, the following are the minimum requirements the contractor must meet in order to be qualified to bid on this project:

· Contractor must have at least one employee that is a registered LEED Accredited Professional (AP) with the USGBC (contracted LEED employees or consultants meet this requirement). This person's accreditation must be current and valid at the time of bidding. The contractor shall provide resumes for the LEED Accredited Professionals and shall designate the LEED Accredited Professional that will be responsible for this project.

· Contractor or Contractor's LEED AP designee must have experience with a minimum of two (2) projects designed to, and effectively certified at any level of LEED Certification for New Construction (NC) or Major Renovation (MR) within the previous three (3) years.

**Note:** An Exhibit 3, FNG 5085 (in word doc. format) Experience Questionnaire and Financial Statement form may be obtained from the Contract Management Branch at the contact email address listed below.

After the bid opening, the low bidder must qualify in accordance with Chapter 60D-5.004. A copy of the requirements is included in the Non-Technical Specifications Levels 4&5, Instructions To Bidders under Section B-2 "Bidder Qualification Requirements and Procedures."

Prior to contract award, the Department reserves the right to perform or have performed, an on-site review of the proposer's facilities and qualifications. This review will serve to verify data and representations submitted by the proposer and may be used to determine whether the proposer has an adequate, qualified, and experienced staff, and can provide overall management facilities. The review may also serve to verify whether the proposer has a financial capability adequate to meet the contract requirements. Should the Department determine that the bid/proposal has material misrepresentations or that the size or nature of the proposer's facilities or the number of experienced personnel (including technical staff) are not adequate to ensure satisfactory contract performance, the Department has the right to reject the bid/proposal.

The bidder shall warrant that it has not employed or retained any company or person, other than a bona fide employee working solely for the respondent to solicit or secure the award for this project and that it has not paid or agreed to pay any person, company corporation, individual or firm other than a bona fide employee working solely for the respondent any fee, commission, percentage, gift or other consideration contingent upon or resulting from the award.

The bidder shall warrant that it presently has no interest and shall not acquire any interest which would conflict in any manner or degree with the performance of services required.

The bidder will comply with all applicable federal, state and local rules and regulations in providing services to the Department under this solicitation if awarded.

The STATE OF FLORIDA requires all Contractors to implement a drug free workplace program as defined in 287.087, Florida Statutes.

PUBLIC ENTITY CRIME INFORMATION STATEMENT: A person or affiliate who has been placed on the convicted vendor list following a conviction for a public entity crime may not submit a bid on a contract to provide any goods or services to a public entity, may not submit a bid on a contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work, may not submit bids on leases of real property to a public entity, may not be awarded or perform work as a contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under a contract with any public entity, and may not transact business with any public entity in excess of the threshold amount provided in Section 287.017, for Category Two for a period of 36 months from the date of being placed on the convicted vendor list.

DISCRIMINATION; DENIAL OR REVOCATION FOR THE RIGHT TO TRANSACT BUSINESS WITH PUBLIC ENTITIES: An entity or affiliate who has been placed on the discriminatory vendor list may not submit a bid on a contract to provide any goods or services to a public entity, may not submit a bid on a contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work, may not submit bids on leases of real property to a public entity, may not be awarded or perform work as a contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under a contract with any public entity, and may not transact business with any public entity.

BID SECURITY: Bids/Proposals in total excess of \$100,000.00, the <u>bidder must provide with bid</u>, a good faith deposit in the amount of 5% of the bid by way of a bid bond from a surety insurer authorized to do business in the STATE OF FLORIDA as surety or a certified check or cashier's check accompanying the bid.

PERFORMANCE BOND AND LABOR AND MATERIAL PAYMENT BOND'S are required from any persons or parties entering into a formal contract with the STATE OF FLORIDA for contracts in total excess of \$100,000.00 for construction, additions, renovations, repairs, or demolition of any public building pursuant to Florida Statute 255.05(1)(a), to include registration of the Bonds with the county in which the project is located. The contractor must provide the owner with proof of Bonds within 10 days of contract award and Bond must be recorded with the County in which the project is located.

CONTRACTOR INSURANCE: The contractor must provide the owner with proof of insurance within 10 days of contract award. NO work may commence in connection with the contract until he has obtained all insurance as specified in the Non-Technical Specifications Level 3, Section C-4 or the Non-Technical Specifications Levels 4 & 5, Section C-3 and such insurance has been approved by the Owner, nor shall the contractor allow any subcontractor to commence work on his subcontract until all similar insurance required of the subcontractor has been so obtained and approved by owner. All insurance policies shall be with insurers qualified and doing business in Florida through an authorized licensed Florida Resident Agent. The insurance requirements shall be completed in a timely manner in order not to delay the construction schedule.

All questions regarding this procurement will be accepted in writing via facsimile or email to: Department of Military Affairs - CFMO, Attention: Contract Management Branch: Facsimile: (904) 823-0189 or Email Address: ng.fl.flarng.list.ngfl-cfmo-contracting@mail.mil

Any questions from proposers concerning this solicitation shall be submitted in writing, identifying the submitter, to the Contract Management Branch listed above at the address specified above by email or by facsimile no later than the date specified below. E-mail inquiries are preferred; however a hard copy or facsimile is acceptable.

INFORMATION WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE BY TELEPHONE. All information received through any oral communication shall not be binding on the Department of Military Affairs and shall not be relied upon by a Bidder.

Pursuant to Section 287.057(26), Florida Statutes, Respondents to this solicitation of persons acting on their behalf may not contact, between the release of the solicitation and the end of the 72-hour period following the agency posting the notice of intended award, excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and state holidays, any employee or officer of the executive or legislative branch concerning any aspect of this solicitation, except in writing to the procurement officer or as provided in the solicitation documents. Violation of this provision may be grounds for rejecting a response.

All questions and answers/changes to the solicitation will be provided in Addenda Form and posted on the DMS Vendor Bid System (VBS) at http://myflorida.com. It is the prospective contractor's responsibility to check periodically for any information updates, to the solicitation, which is posted to the VBS. The Department of Military Affairs bears no responsibility for any delays, or resulting impacts, associated with a prospective contractor's failure to obtain information made available through the DMS Vendor Bid System.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST: This solicitation is subject to Chapter 112 of the Florida Statutes. Respondents shall disclose with their response the name of any officer, director, employee or other agent who is also an employee of the State. Respondents shall also disclose the name of any State employee who owns, directly or indirectly an interest of five percent (5%) or more in the respondent or its affiliates.

### MANDATORY SITE VISIT AND PRE-BID MEETING:

DATE AND TIME: January 8, 2015 Local Time: 10:00 AM

PLACE: NTC Orlando, 8385 Daetwyler Drive, Orlando, Florida

All General Contractors interested in bidding on this project are required to attend this pre-bid meeting. Subcontractor participation is highly encouraged. No later dates for site visits will be scheduled.

SEALED BIDS WILL BE RECEIVED, PUBLICLY OPENED AND READ ALOUD ON:

DATE AND TIME: February 5, 2014 Local time: 2:00 PM

PLACE: Robert F. Ensslin National Guard Armory, 2305 State Road 207, St. Augustine, Florida 32086

MARK ENVELOPES: "SEALED BID--DO NOT OPEN Project Number 214001, NTC Orlando NGA Renovations", delivered to: Department of Military Affairs, Robert F. Ensslin National Guard Armory, 2305 State Road 207, St. Augustine, Florida 32086, Attention: Contract Management Department.

BIDS/RESPONSES TRANSMITTED ELECTRONICALLY WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED. BIDS/RESPONSES RECEIVED AT THE LOCATION DESIGNATED AFTER THE EXACT TIME SPECIFIED FOR RECEIPT WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.

Bids submitted via courier or mail must be delivered to the above address, please do not send Sealed Bids to the project location or any other Department of Military Affairs location. The Department of Military Affairs will not assume receipt of any sealed bid unless delivered to the address and room listed in this solicitation.

BID/PROPOSAL: Bids must be on DMA Exhibit 4 and Subcontractor List Exhibit 5, (available in a Word doc. as stated above). All responses must be submitted in a sealed package and shall be clearly marked on the outside of package with the above information. Department of Military Affairs is not responsible for the opening of any solicitation package which is not properly marked. Bids will be time stamped on the official time clock upon delivery. It is the respondent's responsibility to assure its response is submitted in the place and time indicated in this solicitation. Also, all responses must be in full accordance with the requirements of the Drawings, Specifications, Bidding Conditions and Contractual Conditions, and Non-Technical Specifications, which have been prepared by the Engineer as listed, and may be obtained as follows:

### ARCHITECT ENGINEER FIRM: Hanson Professional Services Inc.

POC Name: Mr. Zoran Aleksic. Secondary Point of Contact (POC): Mr. Edward Morales EMAIL ADDRESS: (POC email address) <u>ZALEKSIC@HANSON-INC.COM</u>. (Secondary POC email address) <u>EMORALES@HANSON-INC.COM</u> (Note: Secondary POC to be copied on all e-mail messages to the primary POC.)

TELEPHONE: 407-622-2050 Primary POC extension 5502. Secondary POC extension 5511. Fax: 407-622-2051

FULL SETS of drawings and specifications will be available for free download in electronic, portable document format (PDF) starting on December 22, 2014. To request the bid documents, please send a request message, in e-mail only, to the primary point of contact (POC) and copy the secondary point of contact. Please include your

contact information (individual name, company name, company address, and phone number) in the e-mail message. Also, please identify in your message if you are a General Contractor, Sub-Contractor or Material Supplier. A reply e-mail will be sent to the requestor with a link and password to access and download the project files from the Architect-Engineer's Share File Site. In addition the Architect-Engineer will bring a limited amount of PDF project files stored on compact disk to the Pre-Bid Meeting to be given out to interested bidders on a first come, first serve basis upon request and in exchange for a business card.

#### Note:

- 1. A reply to an e-mail request will be made as it is rapidly possible to do so. E-mail requests sent after 4:00 PM EST maybe replied to the following business day.
- 2. Due to the holiday schedule, requests for bid documents made on December 24, 2014 through January 1, 2015 may not be responded to on the following business day. It may take several business days to prepare a response to a request during this time period.
- 3. Compact Disk distribution during the Pre-Bid Meeting will be limited to those individuals who will be bidding the project as a General Contractor. Compact disks will be provided in exchange for the General Contractor's business card. The General Contractor will be limited to (1) compact disk per company.
- 4. Only Full Sets of electronic document files will be issued for download or on compact disk.
- 5. Document printing and printing costs will be the requestor's responsibility.
- 6. The Owner and Architect-Engineer are not responsible for other sources of document distribution. Contractor shall be responsible that all subcontractors and material supplier bidders have complete information, including but not limited to drawings, specification and addenda.

# FINAL QUESTIONS FROM BIDDERS: January 16, 2015, 1:00 PM Local Time

Any questions from proposers concerning this solicitation shall be submitted in writing, identifying the submitter, to the contacts listed by email or fax only.

Questions submitted after this date will not be answered. All technical questions regarding this procurement will be accepted via email ONLY to the Architect/Engineer (Zoran Aleksic ZALEKSIC@HANSON-INC.COM) and Project Manager (Mark Watkins MARK.K.WATKINS2.NFG@MAIL.MIL). All questions will be answered in addendum form. Addenda will be published in the Vendor Bid System. All addenda must be acknowledged in your Exhibit 4 Proposal Form.

CONTRACT AWARD: Contract award will be given to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder. The lowest bid will be the bid from the responsive bidder that has submitted the lowest price for the base bid or the base bid plus the additive alternates or less the deductive alternates chosen by the Agency to be included in or excluded from the proposed contract, taken in numerical order listed in the bid documents. The order of the alternates may be selected by the Agency in any sequence so long as such acceptance out of order does not alter the designation of the low bidder. Failure to file a protest within the time prescribed in Section 120.57(3), Florida Statutes, shall constitute a waiver of proceedings under Chapter 120, Florida Statutes. If no protest is filed, the contract will be awarded to the qualified, responsible and responsive low bidder in accordance with Chapter 60D-5 by the Owner.

The official Notice of Award Recommendation will be by electronic posting on the DMS Vendor Bid System website at http://vbs.dms.state.fl.us/vbs/search.criteria form

INABILITY TO POST ELECTRONICALLY: If the Department is unable to post (due to technical difficulties) as defined above, the Department will notify all proposers via the Point of Contact and electronic address provided to the Department by the proposer at the Mandatory Pre-Bid meeting. Notice will be posted as defined above once the technical difficulties have been rectified; however, the official posting time will be that time at which the last proposer was electronically notified.

MINORITY/VETERAN OWNED PROGRAM: Minority Business Enterprises (MBE) and Veteran Owned companies are encouraged to participate in this Invitation to Bid. Utilization of MBE participation is highly encouraged from all Bidders. MBE's must be certified by the Office of Supplier Diversity.

CLARIFICATIONS/REVISIONS: Before award, the Owner reserves the right to seek clarifications or request any information deemed necessary for proper evaluation of submissions from all respondents deemed eligible before Contract award. Failure to provide requested information may result in rejection of the response.

The Department reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals received and reserves the right to make an award with or without further discussion of the proposals submitted or accept minor informalities or irregularities in the best interest of the State of Florida, which are considered a matter of form and not substance, and the correction or waiver of which is not prejudicial to other proposers. Minor irregularities are defined as those that will not have an adverse effect on the Department's interest and will not affect the price of the proposal by giving a proposer an advantage or benefit not enjoyed by all other proposers. It is understood the proposal will become a part of the Department's official file, without obligation to the Department. Proposals may be rejected if found to be irregular or not in conformance with the requirements and instructions contained herein. A proposal may be found to be irregular or non-responsive by reasons that include, but are not limited to failure to utilize or complete in their entirety prescribed forms, conditional proposals, incomplete proposals, ambiguous proposals, and improper, missing and/or undated signatures.

The State of Florida, Department of Military Affairs, objects to and shall not consider any additional terms or conditions submitted by a respondent, including any appearing in documents attached as part of a respondent's response. In submitting its response, a respondent agrees that any additional terms or conditions; whether submitted intentionally or inadvertently, shall have no force or effect. Failure to comply with terms and conditions, including those specifying information that must be submitted with a response, shall be grounds for rejecting a response.

The Non-Technical Specifications Levels 4 & 5 are considered to be applicable to this solicitation and award of contract when made and are made a part hereof.

The State of Florida, through the Department of Management Services, has instituted MyFloridaMarketPlace, a statewide e-procurement system. Pursuant to rule 60A-1.032(1), Florida Administrative Code, this contract shall be exempt from the one percent (1%) transaction fee. Prior to entering into a contract with the State of Florida, Department of Military Affairs, the selected contractor must be registered with the Florida Department of Management Services (DMS) MyFloridaMarketPlace Vendor Registration System. Information about the registration process is available, and registration must be completed at the MyFloridaMarketPlace website (link available under BUSINESS at (www.myflorida.com). Prospective contractors who do not have Internet access may request assistance from the MyFloridaMarketPlace Customer Service at (866) 352-3776.

The State of Florida's performance and obligation to pay under this contract is contingent upon availability of funding and an annual appropriation by the Legislature.

For the purposes of this solicitation, the terms proposer, respondent, offerer, bidder and contractor/vendor are

used interchangeably and mean a person(s) or firm(s) submitting a response to this solicitation, including joint ventures.

The employment of unauthorized aliens by any contractor/vendor is considered a violation of Section 274A(e) of the Immigration and Nationality Act. If a contractor/vendor employs unauthorized aliens, such violation shall be cause for rejection of bid/unilateral cancellation of a contract if awarded.

Order Number 11-02: E-verify System: Department of Homeland Security:

Pursuant to the State of Florida, Office of the Governor, Executive Order Number 11-02 entered on January 4, 2011, Contractors will utilize the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's E-Verify system to verify the employment eligibility of: (a) all persons employed during the term of the Contract by Contractor to perform employment duties within Florida within 3 business days after the date of hire; and (b) all persons (including subcontractors) assigned by Contractor to perform work pursuant to the Contract with the Department within 90 calendar days after the date the Contract is executed or within 30 days after such persons are assigned to perform work pursuant to the Contract, whichever is later.

Florida Substitute W-9: The State of Florida requires vendors doing business with the State to submit a Substitute Form W-9. The purpose of a Form W-9 is to provide a Federal Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN), official entity name, a business designation (sole proprietorship, corporation, partnership, etc.), and other taxpayer information to the State. Submission of a Form W-9 ensures that the State's vendor records and Form 1099 reporting are accurate. Due to specific State of Florida requirements, the State will not accept the Internal Revenue Service Form W-9.

Effective March 5, 2012, State of Florida agencies will not be permitted to place orders for goods and services or make payments to any vendor that does not have a verified Substitute W-9 on file with the Department of Financial Services. Vendors are required to register and submit a Form W-9 on the State's Vendor Website at <a href="https://flvendor.myfloridacfo.com">https://flvendor.myfloridacfo.com</a>.

NO VERBAL STATEMENTS MADE BY ANY STATE OF FLORIDA EMPLOYEE OR AGENCY REPRESENTATIVE WILL OPERATE TO SUPERSEDE INFORMATION PUBLISHED IN THIS SOLICITATION. ONLY WRITTEN ADDENDA ISSUED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS CONSTRUCTION AND FACILITY MANAGEMENT OFFICE OR ITS REPRESENTATIVES WILL OPERATE TO ALTER OR OTHERWISE AMEND THIS SOLICITATION.