INVITATION FOR BIDS

Sealed bids for the East Central College – Center for Advanced Manufacturing & Workforce Development (hereinafter "Project") will be received by East Central College, 1964 Prairie Dell Road, Union, MO 63084, at the office of Melissa Popp, Purchasing Manager, Buescher Hall Room BH263 until 1:00PM CST, on February 16, 2016. The bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at 1:15 PM CST, on February 16, 2016 at Buescher Hall Room BH238.

The Scope of Work includes renovation of an existing 19,807 square foot building, along with a 4,757 square foot addition, 3,012 square foot addition, and other incidental items and work described in the Project Manual, or reasonably inferable therefrom.

Bid packages will be available after 8:00 AM on Monday, January 25, 2016 and may be obtained from the office of Cochran located at 530A East Independence Drive, Union, MO 63084, upon payment of a non-refundable fee of \$300.00 per set, which includes a hard copy of the drawings and specifications along with a CD, or \$50.00 for just a CD of the plans and specifications. For directions, please call 636-584-0540.

A bid security in the amount of five percent (5%) of the bid amount must accompany each bid, in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders.

It is strongly recommended that contractors attend one pre-bid meeting. There will be one held on February 2, 2016 at 9:00 am at 42 Prairie Dell Plaza Drive, Union, MO 63084, and another held on February 9, 2016.

East Central College anticipates issuing notice to proceed in March 2016.

The wage rates applicable to this project have been predetermined as required by law and are set forth in this specification. When Federal wage rates are applicable and included, this contract is subject to the "Work Hours Act of 1962," (P.L. 87-581: 76 Stat. 357) and implementing regulations.

Effective January 1, 2009, and pursuant to RSMo 285.530 (1), No business entity or employer shall knowingly employ, hire for employment, or continue to employ an unauthorized alien to perform work within the state of Missouri. The successful bidder must submit a sworn affidavit and documentation affirming the business entity's enrollment and participation in the federal work authorization program and that all of its employees working for the contracted services are not illegal immigrants.

Upon signing the contract, the successful contractor and any subcontractor performing the work shall provide a tenhour Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) construction safety program for their on-site employees.

East Central College hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in consideration for an award.

This project will be partially funded with Federal funds from the US Department of Commerce, Economic Development Administration (EDA), and therefore is subject to Federal Laws and regulations associated with that program.

THE OWNER INTENDS TO AWARD THE CONTRACT TO THE MOST RESPONSIVE, RESPONSIBLE BIDDER SUBMITTING THE LOWEST BID. THE OWNER RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ANY AND ALL BIDS, AND TO WAIVE ANY IRREGULARITIES IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE OWNER WITH EDA'S CONSENT.