



Purchasing Department
140 Stonewall Avenue West, Ste 204
Fayetteville, GA 30214
Phone: 770-305-5420
www.fayettecountyga.gov

October 14, 2024

Subject: Request for Quotes 2497-A: Soft Starters – South Fayette Plant Blower Motors

Gentlemen/Ladies:

Fayette County, Georgia invites you to submit a quote for the above listed solicitation in accordance with the information and specifications contained herein.

A mandatory pre-quote conference will be held at 9 a.m., Monday, October 21, 2024, at the South Fayette Water Treatment Plant, 880 Antioch Rd, Fayetteville, GA 30215 to provide an opportunity for you to become familiar with the site and work conditions, and to ask questions. Companies that attend will be invited to submit quotes for this project.

Address any questions you may have about this request for quotes to Colette Cobb via email to ccobb@fayettecountyga.gov. Questions will be accepted until 3:00 p.m., Friday, October 25, 2024.

Purchasing Department office hours are Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The office telephone number is (770) 305-5420.

Please return your response to the following address:

Fayette County Purchasing Department
140 Stonewall Avenue West, Suite 204
Fayetteville, Georgia 30214

RFQ Number: **2497-A**

RFQ Name: **Soft Starters – South Fayette Plant Blower Motors**

Your envelope must be sealed and should show your company's name and address.

Quotes will be accepted until 3:30 p.m., Friday November 1, 2024, in the Purchasing Department, Suite 204. Quotes will be opened at that time.

Sincerely,

Ted L. Burgess
Chief Procurement Officer

GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS
RFQ 2497-A: Soft Starters – South Fayette Plant Blower Motors

1. **Definitions:**
 - a. **Responder:** A company or individual who submits a quote in response to this RFQ.
 - b. **Successful Responder:** The Responder that is awarded a contract.
 - c. **Contractor:** The Successful Responder, upon execution of the contract.
 - d. **County:** Fayette County, Georgia.

2. **Quote is Offer to Contract:** Each quote constitutes an offer to become legally bound to a contract with the County, incorporating the Request for Quotes and the Responder's quote. The binding offer includes compliance with all terms, conditions, special conditions, specifications, and requirements stated in the Request for Quotes, except to the extent that a Responder takes written exception to such provisions, and the County agrees to the exceptions. All such terms, conditions, special conditions, specifications, and requirements will form the basis of the contract. The Responder should take care to answer all questions and provide all requested information, and to note any exceptions in the quote submission. Failure to observe any of the instructions or conditions in this Request for Quotes may result in rejection of the quote.

3. **Binding Offer:** To allow sufficient time for a contract to be awarded, each quote shall constitute a firm offer that is binding for ninety (90) days from the received by date to the date of award.

4. **References:** Include with your quote a list of three (3) jobs that your company has done that are of the same or similar nature to the work described in this Request for Quotes, on the form provided. Include all information as requested on the form.

5. **Preparation Costs:** The Responder shall bear all costs associated with preparing the quote.

6. **More Than One Quote:** Do not submit alternate quotes or options, unless requested or authorized by the County in the Request for Quotes. If a Responder submits more than one quote without being requested or authorized to do so, the County may disqualify the quotes from that Responder, at the County's option.

7. **Defects or Irregularities:** The County reserves the right to waive any defect or irregularity in any quote received. In case of a discrepancy between unit prices and extended prices, the unit price will govern unless the facts or other considerations indicate another basis for correction of the discrepancy.

8. **Prices Held Firm:** Prices quoted shall be firm for the period of the contract, unless otherwise specified in the quote. All prices for commodities, supplies, equipment, or other products shall be quoted FOB Destination, Fayette County or job site.

9. **Responder Substitutions:** Responders offering substitutions or deviations from

specifications stated in the Request for Quotes, shall list such substitutions or deviations on the "Exceptions to Specifications" sheet provided, or on a separate sheet to be submitted with the quote. The absence of such list shall indicate that the Responder has taken no exception to the specifications. The evaluation of quotes and the determination as to equality and acceptability of products or services offered shall be the responsibility of the County.

10. **Non-Collusion:** By responding to this Request for Quotes, the Responder represents that the quote is not made in connection with any competing Responder, supplier, or service provider submitting a separate response to this Request for Quotes, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud.

11. **Ethics – Disclosure of Relationships:** Before a proposed contract in excess of \$10,000.00 is recommended for award to the Board of Commissioners or the County Administrator, or before the County renews, extends, or otherwise modifies a contract after it has been awarded, the Contractor must disclose certain relationships with any County Commissioner or County Official, or their spouse, mother, father, grandparent, brother, sister, son or daughter related by blood, adoption, or marriage (including in-laws). A relationship that must be reported exists if any of these individuals is a director, officer, partner, or employee, or has a substantial financial interest in the business, as described in Fayette County Ordinance Chapter 2, Article IV, Division 3 (Code of Ethics).

If such relationship exists between your company and any individual mentioned above, relevant information must be presented in the form of a written letter to the Director of Purchasing. You must include the letter with any bid, proposal, or price quote you submit to the Purchasing Department.

In the event that a Contractor fails to comply with this requirement, the County will take action as appropriate to the situation, which may include actions up to and including rejection of the bid or offer, cancellation of the contract in question, or debarment or suspension from award of a County contract for a period of up to three years.

12. **Evaluation:** Award will be made to the lowest responsive, responsible Responder, taking into consideration payment terms, vendor qualifications and experience, quality, references, any exceptions listed, and/or other factors deemed relevant in making the award. The County may make such investigation as it deems necessary to determine the ability of the Responder to perform, and the Contractor shall furnish to the County all information and data for this purpose as the County may request. The County reserves the right to reject any item, any quote, or all quotes, and to re-solicit for pricing.

13. **Payment Terms and Discounts:** The County's standard payment terms are Net 30. Any deviation from standard payment terms must be specified in the resulting contract, and both parties must agree on such deviation. Cash discounts offered will be a consideration in awarding the quote, but only if they give the County at least 15 days from receipt of invoice to pay. For taking discounts, time will be computed from the date of invoice acceptance by the County, or the date a correct invoice is received, whichever is the later date. Payment is deemed made, for the purpose of earning the discount, on the date of the check.

14. **Contract Execution & Notice to Proceed:** After an award is made, and all required documents are received by the County, and the contract is fully executed with signature of both parties, the County will issue a written Notice to Proceed. The County shall not be liable for payment of any work done or any costs incurred by any Responder prior to the County issuing the Notice to Proceed.
15. **Unavailability of Funds:** This contract will terminate immediately and absolutely at such time as appropriated and otherwise unobligated funds are no longer available to satisfy the obligations of the County under the contract.
16. **Insurance:** The Successful Responder shall procure and maintain the following insurance, to be in effect throughout the term of the contract, in at least the amounts and limits as follows:
 - a. **General Liability Insurance:** \$1,000,000 combined single limit per occurrence, including bodily and personal injury, destruction of property, and contractual liability.
 - b. **Automobile Liability Insurance:** \$1,000,000 combined single limit each occurrence, including bodily injury and property damage liability.
 - c. **Worker's Compensation & Employer's Liability Insurance:** Workers Compensation as required by Georgia statute.

Before a contract is executed, the Certificates of Insurance for all required coverage shall be submitted to the County. The certificate shall list an additional insured as follows:

Fayette County, Georgia
140 Stonewall Avenue West
Fayetteville, GA 30214

17. **Unauthorized Performance:** The County will not compensate the Contractor for work performed unless the work is authorized under the contract, as initially executed or as amended.
18. **Assignment of Contract:** Assignment of any contract resulting from this Request for Quotes will not be authorized, except with express written authorization from the County.
19. **Indemnification:** The Contractor shall indemnify and save the County and all its officers, agents and employees harmless from all suits, actions, or other claims of any character, name and description brought for or on account of any damages, losses, or expenses to the extent caused by or resulting from the negligence, recklessness, or intentionally wrongful conduct of the Contractor or other persons employed or utilized by the Contractor in the performance of the contract. The Contractor shall pay any judgment with cost which may be obtained against the County growing out of such damages, losses, or expenses.

20. **Severability:** The invalidity of one or more of the phrases, sentences, clauses or sections contained in the contract shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion of the contract. If any provision of the contract is held to be unenforceable, then both parties shall be relieved of all obligations arising under such provision to the extent that the provision is unenforceable. In such case, the contract shall be deemed amended to the extent necessary to make it enforceable while preserving its intent.
21. **Delivery Failures:** If the Contractor fails to deliver contracted goods or services within the time specified in the contract, or fails to replace rejected items in a timely manner, the County shall have authority to make open-market purchases of comparable goods or services. The County shall have the right to invoice the Contractor for any excess expenses incurred, or deduct such amount from monies owed the Contractor. Such purchases shall be deducted from contracted quantities.
22. **Substitution of Contracted Items:** The Contractor shall be obligated to deliver products awarded in this contract in accordance with terms and conditions specified herein. If a Contractor is unable to deliver the products under the contract, it shall be the Contractor's responsibility to obtain prior approval of the ordering agency to deliver an acceptable substitute at the same price quoted in the Contractor's original bid. In the event any Contractor consistently needs to substitute or refuses to substitute products, the County reserves the right to terminate the contract or invoke the "Delivery Failures" clause stated herein.
23. **Termination for Cause:** The County may terminate the contract for cause by sending written notice to the Contractor of the Contractor's default in the performance of any term of this agreement. Termination shall be without prejudice to any of the County's rights or remedies by law.
24. **Termination for Convenience:** The County may terminate the contract for its convenience at any time with 10 days' written notice to the Contractor. In the event of termination for convenience, the County will pay the Contractor for services performed. The County will compensate partially completed performance based upon a signed statement of completion.
25. **Force Majeure:** Neither party shall be deemed to be in breach of the contract to the extent that performance of its obligations is delayed, restricted, or prevented by reason of any act of God, natural disaster, act of government, or any other act or condition beyond the reasonable control of the party in question.
26. **Governing Law:** This agreement shall be governed in accordance with the laws of the State of Georgia. The parties agree to submit to the jurisdiction in Georgia, and further agree that any cause of action arising under this agreement shall be required to be brought in proper venue in Fayette County, Georgia.

Checklist of Required Documents

*(Be Sure to Return This Checklist and
the Required Documents in the order listed below)*

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Company information – on form provided _____

Contractor Affidavit under O.C.G.A. § 13-10-91(b)(1) – on form provided _____

Pricing sheet – on form provided _____

Specification Sheet _____

List of exceptions, if any – on form provided _____

References – on form provided _____

Addenda, if Any _____

COMPANY NAME: _____

COMPANY INFORMATION
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A. COMPANY

Company Name: _____

Physical Address: _____

Mailing Address (if different): _____

Website (if applicable): _____

B. AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE

Signature: _____

Printed or Typed Name: _____

Title: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

C. PROJECT CONTACT PERSON

Name: _____

Title: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

REFERENCES
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Please list three (3) references for current or recent customers who can verify the quality of service your company provides. Projects of similar size and scope are preferable.

1. Government/Company Name _____

City & State _____

Work or Service Provided _____

Approximate Completion Date _____

Contact Person and Title _____

Phone _____ Email _____

2. Government/Company Name _____

City & State _____

Work or Service Provided _____

Approximate Completion Date _____

Contact Person and Title _____

Phone _____ Email _____

3. Government/Company Name _____

City & State _____

Work or Service Provided _____

Approximate Completion Date _____

Contact Person and Title _____

Phone _____ Email _____

COMPANY NAME: _____

Contractor Affidavit under O.C.G.A. § 13-10-91(b)(l)

The undersigned contractor ("Contractor") executes this Affidavit to comply with O.C.G.A § 13-10-91 related any contract to which Contractor is a party that is subject to O.C.G.A. § 13-10-91 and hereby verifies its compliance with O.C.G.A. § 13-10-91, attesting as follows:

- a) The Contractor has registered with, is authorized to use and uses the federal work authorization program commonly known as E-Verify, or any subsequent replacement program;
- b) The Contractor will continue to use the federal work authorization program throughout the contract period, including any renewal or extension thereof;
- c) The Contractor will notify the public employer in the event the Contractor ceases to utilize the federal work authorization program during the contract period, including renewals or extensions thereof;
- d) The Contractor understands that ceasing to utilize the federal work authorization program constitutes a material breach of Contract;
- e) The Contractor will contract for the performance of services in satisfaction of such contract only with subcontractors who present an affidavit to the Contractor with the information required by O.C.G.A. § 13-10-91(a), (b), and (c);
- f) The Contractor acknowledges and agrees that this Affidavit shall be incorporated into any contract(s) subject to the provisions of O.C.G.A. § 13-10- 91 for the project listed below to which Contractor is a party after the date hereof without further action or consent by Contractor; and
- g) Contractor acknowledges its responsibility to submit copies of any affidavits, drivers' licenses, and identification cards required pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 13-10-91 to the public employer within five business days of receipt.

Federal Work Authorization User Identification Number

Date of Authorization

Name of Contractor

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Blower Motors

Name of Project

Fayette County, Georgia

Name of Public Employer

I hereby declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on _____, _____, 20____ in _____ (city), _____ (state).

Signature of Authorized Officer or Agent

Printed Name and Title of Authorized Officer or Agent

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN BEFORE ME
ON THIS THE _____ DAY OF _____, 20____.

NOTARY PUBLIC

SCOPE AND SPECIFICATION

RFQ #2497: Soft Starters - South Fayette Plant Blower Motors

Fayette County Water System is seeking quotes from qualified vendors for the installation of a two Soft Starters for Blower motor #1 and #2 located at the South Fayette Water Treatment Plant. The South Fayette Water Treatment is located at 880 Antioch Rd, Fayetteville, GA, 30215.

BACKGROUND

The two blower motors (100HP each) at the South Fayette Water Treatment Plant Filter Building are necessary for performing the backwash procedure for the plant filters. Currently, the two blowers are without soft starts but are badly needed for smooth and uniform starting. A significant amount of voltage drop can be seen at the motor control center when the blower motors start and the drop is also observed through the filter building and adversely affects an adjacent programming logic controller (PLC).

SCOPE OF WORK

South Fayette Blower Motors Soft Starter

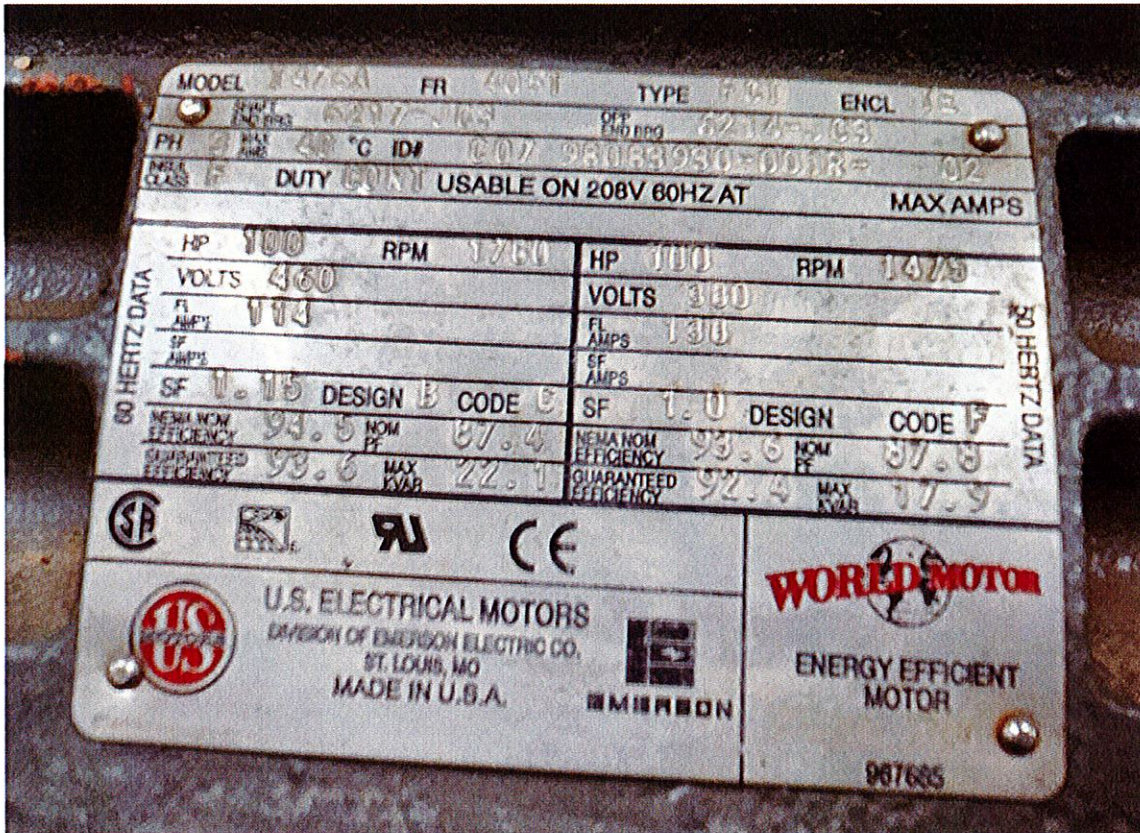
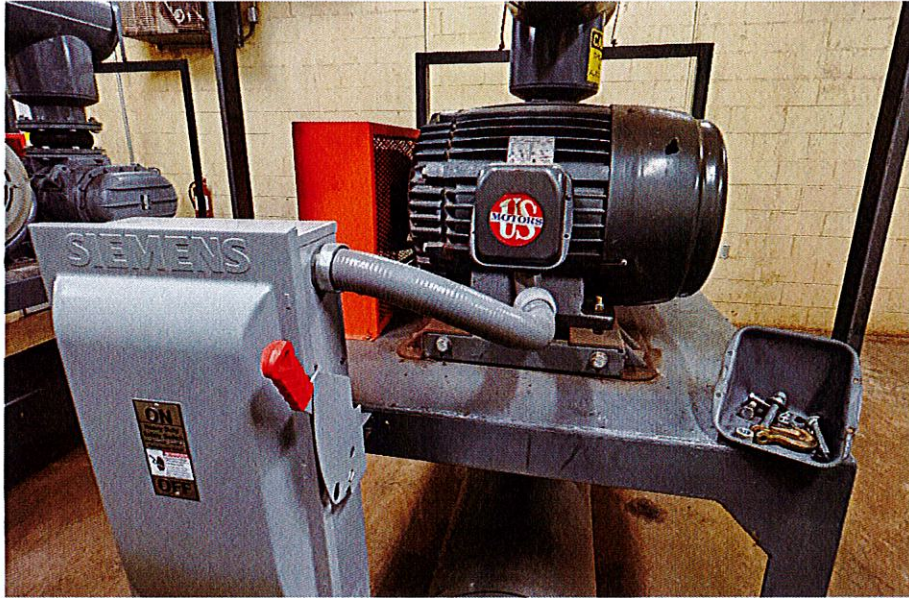
1. Travel to South Fayette Water Treatment Plant.
2. Provide two 100HP, 125A, 460V, and 60Hz soft starter packages in NEMA 12 enclosures for Blower motor #1 and #2 (see attached Specification).
3. Soft Starter and enclosures must be installed in a between the existing motor control centers (see attached photos).
4. Each soft starter will include keypad on the door, start, stop and reset PB, run fault indications and HOA selector switch, control transformer with fuses and a customer terminal strip. Set to run locally or through remote SCADA operation.
5. Installation of soft starters, communications integration, and related electrical equipment.
6. Install transducer cables, controls, and power wiring.
7. Terminate all wiring to new soft starter and components.
8. Inspect and record critical dimensions.
9. Perform all necessary cleanup.
10. Program and set parameters of new soft starter.
11. Provide factory authorized start up and commissioning to assure that Fayette County Water System will be eligible for the Factory Warranty.
12. Verify proper soft starter operation with Blower motor #1 and #2 (manual and remote SCADA).
13. Ensure that all field signals are wired and received correctly.
14. Provide on-site operations training for Fayette County Water System personnel.

15. Provide Onsite thermal Imaging scan and report of the installed soft starter and existing pump motors.
16. Provide system control wiring documents and prints for new installation.
17. Include shipping costs.

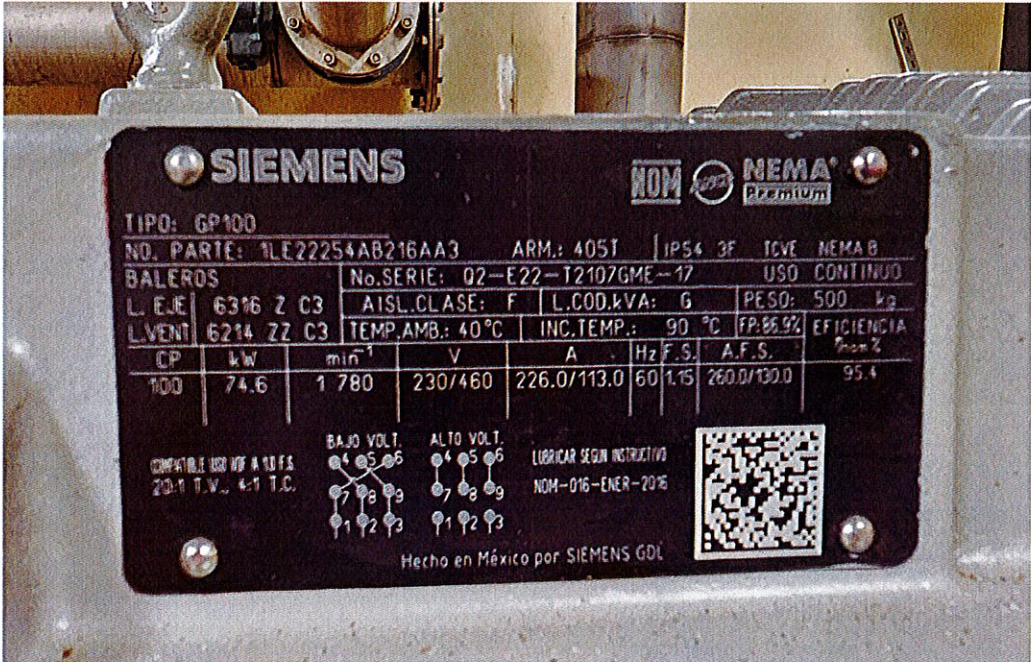
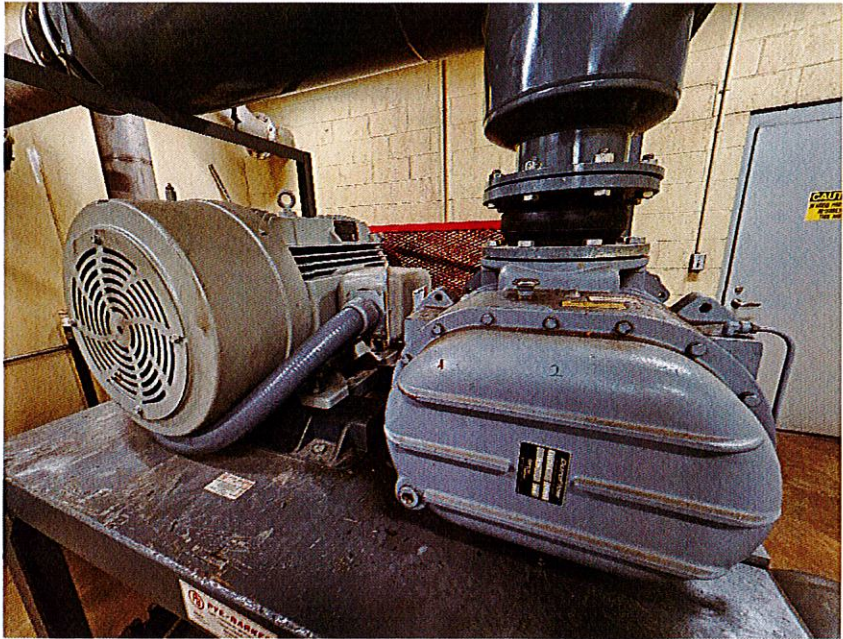
Additional Work

- Vendor must provide along with Quote the selected Soft Starter manufacturer specification sheet (for Fayette County Review and Approval). Vendor will coordinate with the representative of selected Soft Starter manufacturer and ensure manufacturer warranty is provided to FCWS.
- Vendor will report to owner any additional work needed not covered above. Vendor agrees that the Contingency Allowance is for the sole use of Owner to cover unanticipated costs. The Contingency Allowance shall only be used with prior written authorization by the County Administrator.
- Vendor will provide the following submittals for FCWS approval, including:
Manufacturer's standard schematic drawings and diagrams modified to delete information that is not applicable to the work and supplement standard information to provide information specifically applicable to the work.
- Vendor agrees to provide minimum 1-year warranty to all work provided.

Blower Motor #1



Blower Motor #2



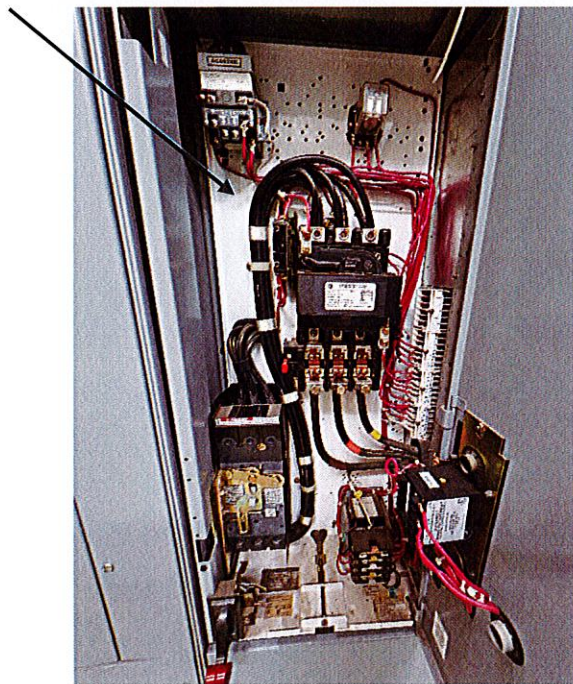
Motor Control Centers (Left - MCC-OP1 & Right - MCC-OP2)



New Soft Starters
Location



Blower #2 Panel



PRICING SHEET

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Responder agrees to perform all the work described in the Contract documents for the following prices:

Quote, New Soft Starters Installation: \$ _____

Contingency Allowance* \$ 2,000.00

Total Quote \$ _____

*To be used only with prior written authorization from the County.

NOTES:

1. All applicable charges shall be included in your total quoted amount, including but not limited to materials, equipment, installation, labor, and any other amounts. No additional charges will be allowed after the quote received by date.
2. All warranties shall be included in your total quoted amount.

State time needed to commence work after notice to proceed is issued _____ Days.

State length of time needed to complete project _____ Days.

State, List or Attach the terms of your warranty, if applicable: _____

COMPANY'S NAME _____

EXCEPTIONS TO SPECIFICATIONS

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Please list below any exceptions or clarifications to the specifications of this bid. Explain any exceptions in full.

COMPANY NAME: _____