

Electronic Bid Management Systems – Provider Comparison Tool

Technology Provider	<u>PennBid</u>	
Type of solution (Programmatic or Stand-Alone) and Acquisition Costs to Agency	Programmatic, <u>NO COST</u> to agencies or design consultants	
Initial Set-up Cost / On-going Costs	None / None	
Charge for training	None	
Track Record	Established 2009; over 1,200 agencies and design firms. \$6B+ in awards	
Varying Types of Access Permission	Yes, 20+ Permission Roles	
Vendor Management		
Self Registration or Agency Assisted?	Self	
Cost for documents, notifications, participation	None	
Searchable / sortable by Products and Services / Geographic Areas	Yes, NIGP Categories / Yes	
Vendors using program	29,000+	
Document Management		
Limitation of file size or number of files	No limit on size or number of files	
Types of files?	All, up to MP4	
Reports / Analytics		
Project / business unit / company reports & analytics	Yes, deep suite of stock or customizable reports. Exportable to PDF or Excel	
Historical Pricing for budgets / estimates	Yes, very deep and timely. No cost	

Communications & Notifications	<u>PennBid</u>	
Invitation-To-Bid Notification? / Customizable Notificaiton Templates	Yes / Yes	
Verifiable Delivery of Addenda?	Yes	
Receiving Bids		
Is system "Sealed Bid" without override?	Yes	
Types of Solicitations	RFP, RFQ, Quotes	
Types of Submittals	LS, Line Item, Alternates, Deducts, etc.	
Single Prime & Multi-Prime Projects? / Auto sum of subtotals & totals?	Yes / Yes	
Can bidders provide support documents such as bid bonds?	Yes, as many as desired	
Can system be used for both public and "By-Invitation-Only" solicitations?	Yes, single mouse click	
Does system prevent incomplete bid submissions?	Yes	
Does system auto-produce bid tabulations?	Yes, various and customizable.	
Analytic tools for bid results	Yes	
Public Display of Results?	Yes	
Dedicated "Controller" access for bid opening?	Yes	
Other Considerations		
Customized, Unique Bid Evaluation Assitance?	Yes	
Tiered User Group Access for larger agencies/firms	Yes	
Customer Support	24/7/365 - web/phone	
Knowledgable of Procurement Codes & Design Firm Documents	Yes	
Endorsements	PMAA & PSATS	