

REQUEST FOR BIDS

Date: April 20, 2026

To: Prospective Equipment Supplier(s):

Sealed Bids are requested to be submitted to The Regents of the University of California ("University") on or before **April 29, 2026 by 2:30 p.m.** (the "Bid Deadline") for the provision of the specified materials and/or equipment and in accordance with the enclosed RFB Documents.

RFB NUMBER: FM260368UF

PROJECT NAME: Broida Hall Liquid Helium Plant System (UFCI)

DESCRIPTION OF THE WORK: The successful vendor/supplier is required to provide one (1) liquid helium plant and associated equipment including but not limited to: cables, digital user manual, heater blanket, compressors, and flex lines, as described in the attached specifications (see Exhibit 6). The equipment will be delivered to the University's main campus in Santa Barbara, California. Supplier bid pricing shall also include its standard warranty. Installation of the tanks shall be performed by others. A University Purchase Order will be assigned to the installation Contractor hired by the University or its designee. Vendor may be asked to inspect equipment installation and to train University's maintenance personnel on the proper operation and maintenance of the equipment at no additional cost to the University.

RFB DOCUMENTS. RFB Documents will be available to Bidders on April 20, 2026 via electric download from the University's online planroom at www.ucsbplanroom.com. Once registered on the UCSB planroom site, prospective bidders may view and/or download the documents for free. In order to access the documents, go to the planroom site, click "Public Jobs" below the Menu bar on the left side of the page and click the project link.

COST ESTIMATE: The estimated cost for the specified equipment, inclusive of (7.75%) sales tax, delivery and all applicable direct and indirect charges and/or fees, is approximately **\$460,000**.

JOB WALK & UNIVERSITY CONTACT INFO: A Job Walk is not required as a prerequisite to submitting a bid, however, interested bidders may schedule a site visit with the University Representative upon request. For further information or questions regarding this RFB please contact University Representative, **Perrin Pellegrin**, at (805) 570-7429 or perrin@ucsb.edu.

COMMUNICATIONS: Please make requests for clarification or interpretation of the Bidding Documents only to the University Representative at the above email address. Bids must be submitted on the enclosed Bid Form. Bids may be withdrawn prior to the Bid Deadline. University may waive non-material irregularities or may reject any or all Bids.

AWARD/ASSIGNMENT OF PURCHASE ORDER: University will determine the lowest responsive Bidder on the basis of the sum of the Lump Sum Base Bid and any extended unit prices, if any. The equipment will be purchased directly by the University as "University-Furnished" construction equipment and installed by others (installation contractor). The firm offering the lowest responsive bid will be awarded a UC Purchase Order agreement that may be assigned to the installation contractor using the attached PO Assignment Agreement (see Exhibit 5).

Every effort will be made to ensure that all persons have equal access to contracts and other business opportunities with the University within the limits imposed by law or University policy.

Please visit the UCSB plan room at www.ucsbplanroom.com

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