

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

WHEELING AND LAKE ERIE RAILWAY – 2024

RTAP BRIDGE REHABILITATION PROJECT

CONTRACTS 1–3

Sealed bids, addressed to the Wheeling and Lake Erie Railway, 100 1st St. SE, Brewster, OH 44613, and clearly marked with the bidder's name, the contract name, and the words Sealed Bid, will be received until 2:00 P.M. (prevailing time) on Wednesday, May 14, 2025, for the rehabilitation of six railroad bridges near Carnegie, Belle Vernon, Jacobs Creek, Avella, and Maple, Pennsylvania. Bids will be opened publicly via Microsoft Teams at that time. Faxed or emailed bids will not be accepted. The project is divided into three contracts; bidders may submit a bid for one or more. Work includes structural steel repairs, bearing replacements, concrete abutment modifications, and superstructure replacements. All work must conform to AREMA, PennDOT BRFPW Supplemental Conditions: Trackwork Construction, and other specified standards. The project is funded by both the Railroad and the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT). Mandatory pre-bid conferences will be held as follows: Contract 1: April 15, 2:00 PM – W&LE Rook Yard, 225 Hawthorne Ave, Carnegie, PA, Contract 2: April 16, 8:00 AM – 2200 Gibsonton Rd, Belle Vernon, PA, Contract 3: April 15, 8:00 AM – 1756 Route 481, Charleroi, PA Bidders are required to RSVP via email to dbessette@benesch.com. These are the only scheduled site showings. Contractors must provide their own PPE and arrange transportation (except where Hi-Rail is provided by the Railroad). Electronic bid documents and plans are available at no cost by emailing Drew Bessette at dbessette@benesch.com. No hard copies will be distributed. Bidders must submit an Intent to Bid via email to receive project updates and the Microsoft Teams link for the bid opening. 100% Performance and Payment Bonds are required. Railroad Protective Liability Insurance, the PA Prevailing Wage Act, and the PA Steel Products Procurement Act apply. Bidders must have a valid PennDOT VDMU number and FEIN, which must be included on the bid form. The Railroad reserves the right to waive informalities, accept any bid, reject any or all bids, and adjust the scope of work to meet available funds, if deemed in its best interest. Bids must remain valid for 60 days from the date of opening. Award is subject to PennDOT approval.