Purchase Order Prequalification

Beginning **July 1, 2009**, any firm that wishes to perform work on Division Purchase Order Contracts as either the prime contractor or as a subcontractor on the project must be prequalified for the type of work they wish to perform. Firms that wish to bid on these projects as the prime contractor must be prequalified prior to submitting your bid. Firms that wish to perform as a subcontractor to the prime contractor must be prequalified prior to beginning work on the project.

For the purposes of prequalification, any firm that is currently prequalified as a prime or a subcontractor on central let projects for the appropriate work codes is considered eligible to work and/or bid on Purchase Order Contracts as long as other items such as bonding and license requirements for the contract are met.

Information regarding the requirements to become prequalified as a Purchase Order Contract contractor, including the application to become prequalified if you are not already prequalified, can be found at the following website:

http://www.ncdot.org/business/howtogetstarted/

The application is currently in paper form and will soon be added to the on-line prequalification system. In the meantime, please fill out the paper application for review.

If you are unsure as to whether your firm is currently prequalified by the Department by the Contractual Services Unit, a search of the Directory of Transportation Firms can be performed at the website below:

https://apps.dot.state.nc.us/vendor/directory/

Exceptions to the above prequalification requirements are Small Business Enterprise (SBE) Contracts and Fully Operated Rental Equipment (FORE) Contracts. The requirements for eligibility on these contracts remain the same, and are not affected by the above requirements regarding prequalification.