The Orlando-Orange County Expressway Authority (Authority) requires the services of a qualified firm to provide right-of-way counsel services on an as-needed basis. Consideration will be given to only those respondents who are qualified to perform the work as determined by the Authority. Proposal documents are available for download at the Authority’s web site located at www.oocea.com/DoingBusinessWithUs/Procurement/ProcurementAccountLogineProcurementRegistrati.aspx. Proposer registration is required to access and download documents. Instructions for registration are provided on the website.

DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES: Services shall be as detailed in the Scope of Services and may include, but are not necessarily limited to: coordination with the Authority’s right of way acquisition agent(s), project engineers, appraisers, planning consultants and other Authority consultants to plan and effectuate right of way easements and other property interests required for future Authority projects.

QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS: The firm must have experience providing similar services to governmental agencies and shall have performed continuous right-of-way counsel services for a minimum of five years. The firm shall be a legal entity in the State of Florida.

Firms must demonstrate they have the ability to provide the services necessary throughout the duration of the contract and are willing to meet the requirements of the Authority as stated in the Scope of Services.

The Authority will evaluate and determine the relative ability of each firm to perform the required services based upon the information provided by the firm in response to the RFP.

NON-SOLICITATION PROVISION: From the first date of publication of this Notice, no person may contact any Authority Member, Officer, Employee, or any selection committee member, with respect to this Notice or the services to be provided, except as related to the submittal requirements detailed in the RFP. Reference is made to the lobbying guidelines of the Authority for further information regarding this Non-Solicitation Provision.

SUBMITTAL DUE DATE: Submittals will be received by the Authority until 1:30 p.m. Orlando local time, on January 10, 2013. Submittals delivered or received after that time and date will be disqualified.

CODE OF ETHICS: All contractors selected to work with the Authority are required to comply with the Authority’s Ethics Policy, a copy of which is available on the Authority’s web site at www.oocea.com/DoingBusinessWithUs/Procurement/DoingBusinesswiththeExpresswayAuthori ty.aspx.
EQUAL OPPORTUNITY STATEMENT: The Orlando-Orange County Expressway Authority, in accordance with the provisions of Title VI and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, sex, national origin, age, religion and disability. The Authority hereby notifies all firms and individuals that it requires and encourages equal employment opportunity for minority and women as employees in the workforce.

MINORITY/WOMEN/DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PARTICIPATION: The Orlando-Orange County Expressway Authority hereby notifies all firms and individuals that it will require affirmative efforts be made to ensure participation of local minority and women business enterprises on contracts awarded by the Authority.

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