

Security & reliability

"Will my bids be safe?" Rest assured that security and reliability are the cornerstones of this service.

- » Bids are transmitted with strong encryption
- » Bids are held in an electronic "lock box" prior to the bid opening
- » If a bid were to be intercepted, it would be unreadable
- » Redundant power sources and file back-ups are provided
- » The Bid Express service uses Amazon Web Services for system performance, security and reliability.
- » The system is built, maintained, and constantly monitored to ensure the reliability you would expect for this critical service
- » The Bid Express service has been a key partner in bidding across the US and Canada since 1999



Support when you need it

Customer support for the Bid Express service is available at no charge Monday through Friday from 7:00 am to 8:00 pm EST via telephone and email (customer.support@bidx.com). In addition, help with common issues and responses to typical questions are posted on the website.

Get started today!

All you need to use the Bid Express service is a computer with Internet access. Visit the Bid Express web site at www.bidx.com to try it out. (As a guest, you will be able to access limited contract data). You can also learn more about the Bid Express optional add-on services.

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INFORMATION FOR SUBSCRIBERS

Internet bidding can be this easy when you subscribe to the Bid Express® service.

Why subscribe to the Bid Express service?

The Bid Express service puts the best bidding tools at your fingertips so you can spend less time preparing bids and more time completing projects. Your bids will be more competitive and you can eliminate unnecessary paperwork. The Bid Express service has been providing sealed, secure Internet bidding for more than 15 years. Thousands of bidders use this powerful service to gain a competitive edge.

Services available

When you subscribe to the Bid Express service, you gain access to the Basic Service. Additional services may be added on.

Basic Service

The Basic Service gives you access to information for more competitive bidding. Simply download the .EBS file and prepare your bid using a component of the AASHTOWare Project Bids™ software (available for free). The quantities come across automatically, so you just need to enter prices, and computation is done for you. Then, save your bid to digital media, or print it. With the Basic Service, you can:

- » Access project data from all agencies using the Bid Express service
- » Automatically be alerted to errors/omissions
- » Access online bid-bond verification (via participating surety agencies)
- » View real-time, as-read bid results and line-item bid results after bid openings
- » Receive email notifications on posted bid files, amendments, etc.
- » Access optional, add-on services from the Bid Express website
- » Quickly find data with the search function
- » Utilize the Small Business Network to exchange sub quotes with subcontractors, and track your efforts. This can be especially useful in meeting Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) goals. Subcontractors can also advertise a work type specialty on the Small Business Network and create a quote form specific to a contract.

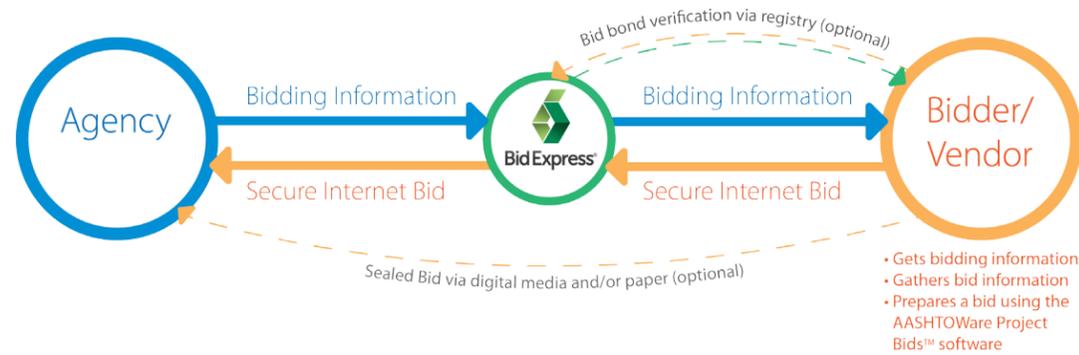
The image shows three overlapping screenshots. The top left screenshot displays the 'Letting of June 26, 2015' page on the Bid Express website, showing a table of upcoming projects with columns for Letting Date, Letting ID, and Proposals. The top right screenshot shows a similar table for the year 2015. The bottom screenshot shows the AASHTOWare Project Bids software interface, displaying a detailed list of bid items with columns for Line Number, Item Number, Quantity, Unit, Unit Price, and Extension Price. A 'Time Remaining' window is also visible, showing 43 minutes and 31 seconds remaining.

Top Left: List of upcoming projects page.
Left: Apparent bid results on the Bid Express website.
Top Right: List of lettings on the Bid Express website.
Above: AASHTOWare Project Bids software.

Internet Bidding Service

Attending bid meetings in person can be expensive in travel costs and in time spent away from the office. Internet bidding service allows you to submit your bids online so you never need to leave the office. Your identity is kept secure through the use of a unique electronic signature that you use to sign your bids. With Internet bidding service, you can:

- » Submit a bid that is held in an electronic lockbox until the bid opening
- » Update or withdraw a bid up until the bid opening
- » Access electronic bid bond verification via participating surety agencies
- » Make bidding truly paperless



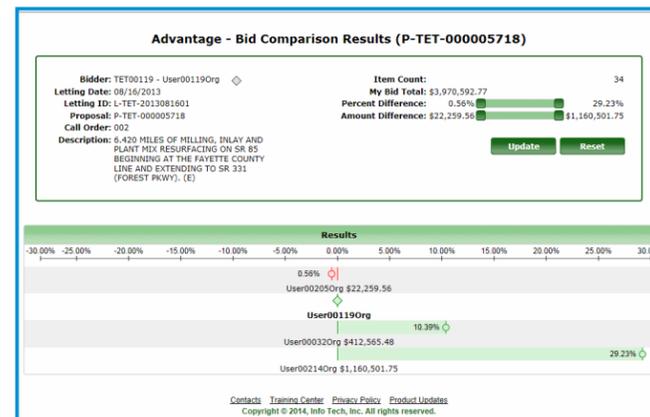
When you use Internet Bidding Service, your bid is encrypted, signed by your unique Info Tech Digital ID, and held in a lock box until the bid opening by the agency. You apply for a Digital ID through Info Tech and it is required to digitally sign your bid. It is your unique identifier.

Analysis Suite

When preparing bids, you may have difficulty determining what to charge for an item. There are many variables that can affect an item's cost and there is little time to do research. The Analysis Suite is available to assist. It includes two powerful tools: the Bid Express Advantage and the Bid Tab Analysis service. Be sure to add on this powerful suite with your subscription.

With the Bid Express Advantage:

- » Perform an analysis of your bids vs. other bidders for a specified letting down to the item level
- » Set and manipulate data such as quantity ranges, locations and dates to help you determine the best pricing



With the Bid Tab Analysis service:

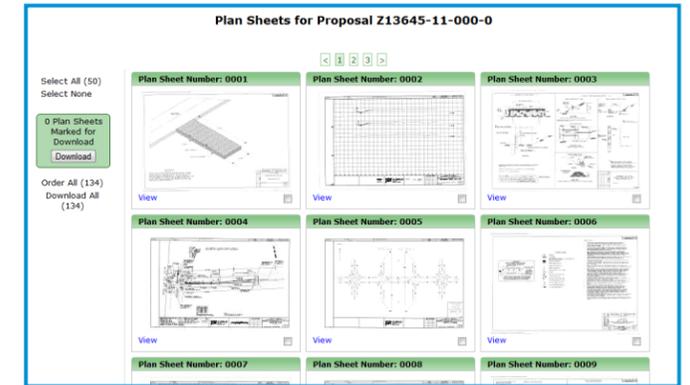
- » View past bid prices and low, average, and high prices for items
- » View prices in a variety of formats, including by proposal, item, location, bidder and a subset of bidders

Item	Description	Average	High	Low	Bid Count		
402-1812	RECYCLED ASPH CONC LEVELING, INCL BITUM MATL & H LIME	\$71.98	\$133.50	\$53.00	114 Bids		
Letting Date	Proposal	County	Proposal Average	Proposal High	Proposal Low	Quantity	Proposal Bid Count
01/01/2011	B13924-11-000-0	HENRY	\$65.54	\$69.34	\$62.00	770,000.00 TN	7 Bids
01/01/2011	B13943-11-000-0	COWETA	\$70.50	\$73.06	\$68.19	11,240,000.00 TN	3 Bids
01/01/2011	B13944-11-000-0	NEWTON	\$61.75	\$66.51	\$55.90	3,525,000.00 TN	4 Bids
01/01/2011	B13945-11-000-0	MITCHELL	\$73.31	\$76.80	\$70.38	8,040,000.00 TN	3 Bids
01/01/2011	B13946-11-000-0	HENRY	\$65.91	\$82.79	\$54.09	2,500,000.00 TN	4 Bids
01/01/2011	B13950-11-000-0	MILLER, SIMPSONVILLE	\$73.10	\$73.60	\$72.60	7,400,000.00 TN	2 Bids
01/01/2011	B13951-11-000-0	MILLER	\$66.77	\$72.00	\$61.54	6,675,000.00 TN	2 Bids
01/01/2011	B13952-11-000-0	BULLOCK	\$72.31	\$84.21	\$68.60	1,822,000.00 TN	4 Bids

Online Plan Sheets Service

Are you tired of handling mounds of paper? By subscribing to the Online Plan Sheets service, you gain access to bid-related documents from any computer. They can be viewed online, printed in your office, or ordered and shipped to you. With this service, you can:

- » Download all of the documents in a set, or make a smaller selection
- » View documents from any computer
- » Pay one flat fee for viewing and downloading all documents, including large-format plan sets
- » Access documents from all participating Bid Express agencies for one flat fee
- » Order printed documents and have them delivered to your door (additional fee applies)



Small Business Network

The Small Business Network is an area on the Bid Express service website that facilitates the interaction between prime contractors and subcontractors. It allows you to exchange sub-quotes and communicate about projects. The network is especially helpful in bringing prime contractors and disadvantaged business enterprise (DBE) contractors together to meet specific agency requirements. The Small Business Network is a part of the Bid Express Basic Service level and therefore available to all Bid Express service subscribers at no additional cost.

With the Small Business Network, prime contractors can:

- » Post an unlimited number of sub-quote requests for subcontractors to view
- » Send an alert email about a posted sub-quote, and receive alerts when sub-quotes are responded to
- » View all outstanding sub-quote requests at a glance
- » Easily locate pre-qualified and certified small and disadvantaged businesses and advertise to them more efficiently and cost effectively
- » Take a step to demonstrate DBE Subcontractor Outreach, i.e. "good faith."

With the Small Business Network, DBE sub contractors can:

- » View and respond to sub-quote requests that prime contractors have posted for projects they are bidding
- » Use a key word search function to find bidding opportunities in seconds
- » Provide and track solicited and unsolicited quotes to plan holders through the system in an effort to expand your business reach
- » Look up plan holders and eligible bidders for each proposal so the DBE can send quotes directly to those who need them
- » View important notices and publications from your state agency targeted to small and disadvantaged businesses
- » Associate work types with their accounts and receive notifications when sub-quote requests with those work types are posted to the Small Business Network.

Sub-quote Request	Letting	Call Order	Proposal	Expiration	Company Name
View Sub-quote 1114	04/20/2011	001 - 213523-09-000-0	BRYAN CHATHAM	10/31/2011	Anderson Contracting
View Sub-quote 1113	01/22/2010	004 - B13647-10-S00-0	BALDWIN WASHINGTON	11/11/2011	Interstate Paving Co.
View Sub-quote 1112	07/22/2011	003 - B14130-11-M00-0	BALDWIN WASHINGTON	10/31/2011	Carson Brothers LLC
View Sub-quote 1111	07/22/2011	007 - B14133-11-000-0	COWETA	10/31/2011	Ipsa Contracting, Inc.