

# Bid Protest Procedures

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## Cover Sheet and Instructions

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<b>PURPOSE OF DOCUMENT:</b>	Document required to be included in bidding documents issued by CM/Contractor for each Bid Package.		
<b>CROSS-REFERENCE TO FACILITIES MANUAL:</b>	None		
<b>CONTENTS:</b>	Bid Protest Procedures		
<b>FOR USE WITH:</b>	✓	CM/Contractor form	
<b>COMPLETED BY:</b>	✓	Filling in	Adding Text
<b>ITS USE IS:</b>	✓	Required	Optional
			No Data Required

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  - Coded instruction within brackets. {This is an example of the format.} The instructions and shading will disappear when the required information is typed.
  - Suggested text is shaded in gray without brackets (see Modification and Additions below.)
2. Complete Facility’s address information for protests filed by Bid Package bidders.

### Modifications and Additions:

None

### Comments:

None

## EXHIBIT {NUMBER}

**BID PROTEST PROCEDURES**

The CM/Contractor shall include the following provisions in the bidding documents issued for all Bid Packages:

**BID PROTEST****1.0 FILING A BID PROTEST**

{Facility to complete the Facility's address for protests by Bid Package bidders.}

1.1 For purposes of a bid protest, the address of University's Facility office is:

**University of California, {FACILITY}**  
**{Address}**  
**{City}, {State} {Zip}**

1.2 Any Bidder, person, or entity may file a Bid protest. The protest shall specify the reasons and facts upon which the protest is based and shall be filed in writing with the Facility not later than 3 business days after:

- .1 if the Bid Form does not contain any Alternate(s), the date of the Bid opening;
- .2 if the Bid Form contains any Alternate(s), the date of posting in a public place of Bid results.

1.3 If a Bid is rejected by the Facility, and such rejection is not in response to a Bid protest, any Bidder, person or entity may dispute that rejection by filing a Bid protest (limited to the rejection) within 3 business days of the rejected Bidder's receipt of the notice of rejection.

**2.0 RESOLUTION OF BID CONTROVERSY**

2.1 Facility will investigate the basis for the Bid protest and analyze the facts. Facility will notify Bidder whose Bid is the subject of the Bid protest of evidence presented in the Bid protest and evidence found as a result of the investigation, and, if deemed appropriate, afford Bidder an opportunity to rebut such evidence, and permit Bidder to present evidence that it should be allowed to perform the Work. If deemed appropriate by Facility, an informal hearing will be held. Facility will issue a written decision within 15 days following receipt of the Bid protest, unless factors beyond Facility's reasonable control prevent such a resolution, in which event such decision will be issued as expeditiously as circumstances reasonably permit. The decision will state the reasons for the action taken by Facility. A copy of the decision will be furnished to the protestor, the Bidder whose Bid is the subject of the Bid protest, and all Bidders affected by the decision. As used in this Article 7, a Bidder is affected by the decision on a Bid protest if a decision on the protest could have resulted in the Bidder not being the lowest responsible and responsive Bidder for the Contract.

2.2 Notwithstanding the provisions of Article 7.2.1, at the election of Facility, a Bid protest may be referred directly to University's Construction Review Board without prior investigation and review by Facility. The Chair of the Construction Review Board will either decide the Bid protest or appoint a Hearing Officer. If a Hearing Officer is appointed, the Hearing Officer will review the Bid protest in accordance with the provisions of Article 7.2.4.

2.3 Bidder whose Bid is the subject of the protest, all Bidders affected by the Facility's decision on the protest, and the protestor have the right to appeal to the Construction Review Board if not satisfied with Facility's decision. The appeal must be in writing and shall specify the

decision being appealed and all the facts and circumstances relied upon in support of the appeal. The appeal must be received by the Chair, Construction Review Board, by close of business not later than the 5th day following appellant's receipt of the written decision of Facility, at the following address:

Chair, Construction Review Board  
University of California  
Office of the President  
1111 Franklin Street, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Oakland, CA 94607-5200  
Attention: Assistant Director, Design & Construction Policy

2.4 A copy of the appeal shall be sent to all parties involved in the Bid protest and to Facility. An appeal received after close of business is considered received as of the next business day. If the final date for receipt of an appeal falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or University holiday, the appeal will be considered timely only if received by close of business on the following business day.

2.5 The Chair of the Construction Review Board will review the Facility's decision and the appeal, and issue a written decision, or if appropriate, appoint a Hearing Officer to conduct a hearing and issue a written decision. If a hearing is held, the hearing shall be held not later than the 10th day following the appointment of the Hearing Officer unless the Hearing Officer for good cause determines otherwise. The written decision of the Chair or Hearing Officer will state the basis of the decision, and the decision will be final and not subject to any further appeal to University. The Chair or Hearing Officer may consult with the University's Office of the General Counsel on the decision as to legal form. The University will complete its internal Bid protest procedures before award of the Contract.