

**Qualifications Prior to Invitation to Bid
Shipyards Dry-dock Services Wanted RV Marcus G. Langseth**

Lamont Doherty Earth Observatory of Columbia University will be seeking bids from qualified shipyards on the Atlantic Coast and Gulf Coast of the United States for the dry-docking and maintenance and repair of the R/V Marcus G. Langseth owned by the National Science Foundation. The work involved will require a wide variety of crafts and services, including dry-docking and alongside work. Some of the work will be accomplished by specialist vendors working directly for the University while the vessel is at the selected shipyard facility.

Bids will be accepted only from pre-qualified shipyards. The criteria for pre-qualification are in the pre-bid qualification questionnaire. Requests by interested shipyards to receive a pre-bid qualification questionnaire in response to this advertisement must be received by 23 May 2016 at the address indicated below.

It is currently anticipated that a pre-bid ship check will be scheduled in New York, NY on or about 1 June 2016, approximately 3 weeks before the bids are due. This invitation does not, however, constitute a commitment as to location or date of the pre-bid ship check availability. The University plans to have the vessel available no earlier than 10 August 2016 for delivery to the facility where the work will be conducted.

The ship's COI is issued by the US Coast Guard and classed by ABS and is an ACP vessel. The vessel's basic dimensions are 71.5M L.O.A., 18.9M beam, and 7.6M moulded draft. All inquiries should be sent in writing or by email. Telephone inquiries will not be accepted.

Requests should be sent to the attention of,

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