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President Obama!

Historic journey begins



President Barack Obama and first lady Michelle Obama wave to the crowd lining the inaugural parade route Tuesday in Washington, D.C.

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stock of the nation's sobering problems.

"That we are in the midst of crisis is now well

understood," he said.

"Our nation is at war, against a far-reaching network of violence and hatred. Our economy is badly weakened. ... Homes have been lost, jobs shed, businesses shuttered. Our health care is too costly, our schools fail too many, and each day brings further evidence that the ways we use energy strengthen our adversaries and threaten our planet.'

Outlining goals abroad and putting foes on notice, he declared:

"We will begin to responsibly leave Iraq to its people and forge a hard-earned peace in Afghanistan. With old friends and former foes, we will work tirelessly to lessen the nuclear threat, and roll back the specter of a warming planet. We will not apologize for our way of life, nor will we waver in its defense, and for those who seek to advance their aims by inducing

terror and slaughtering innocents, we say to you now that our spirit is stronger and cannot be broken. You cannot outlast us, and we will defeat you."

It was the first change of administrations since the terror attacks of Sept. 11, 2001.

Bush - following tradition - left a note for Obama in the top drawer of his desk in the Oval

White House press secretary Dana Perino said the theme of the message — which Bush wrote on Monday -- was similar to what he has said since election night: that Obama is about to begin a "fabulous new chapter" in the United States, and that he wishes him well.

The unfinished business of the Bush administration thrusts an enormous burden onto the new administration, though polls show Americans are confident Obama is on track to succeed. He has cautioned that improvements will take time and that things will get worse before they get better.

Culminating four days of celebration, the nation's 56th inauguration day began for Obama and Vice President-elect Joe Biden with a traditional morning worship service at St. John's Episcopal Church, across Lafayette Park from the White House. Bells pealed from the historic church's tower as Obama and his wife, Michelle, arrived five minutes behind schedule.

The festivities weren't ending until well after midnight, with dancing and partying at 10 inaugural balls.

By custom, Obama and his wife, and Biden and his wife, Jill, went directly from church to the White House for coffee with Bush and his wife, Laura. Michelle Obama brought a gift for the outgoing first lady in a white box decorated with a red ribbon.

Shortly before 11 a.m., Obama and Bush climbed into a limousine to share a ride to

the Capitol for the transfer of power, an event flashed around the world in television and radio broadcasts, podcasts and Internet streaming.

Just after noon, Obama stepped forward on the West Front of the Capitol to lay his left hand on the same Bible that President Abraham Lincoln used at his first inauguration in 1861. The 35-word oath of office, administered by Chief Justice John Roberts, has been uttered by every president since George Washington. Obama was one of 22 Democratic senators to vote against Roberts' confirmation to the Supreme Court in 2005.

The son of a white, Kansas-born mother and a black, Kenya-born father, Obama decided to use his full name in the swearing-in

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Call for Bids - Construction

Project Name: U of O - Central Power Station Upgrade, Eugene, Oregon

Project Location: 1155 Franklin Blvd., Eugene, OR 97403

Project Owner: University of Oregon Bid Date: February 3, 2009, 1:00 p.m. Company Name: TURNER CONSTRUCTION COMPANY U of O - Central Power Station Upgrade Description:

Pre-Bid Meeting: 1/27/09, 10:00 am - All trades, EXCEPT MEP Pre-Bid Meeting: 1/27/09, 11:00 am - MEP ONLY Bids Due: February 3, 2009, 1:00pm

Turner Construction Company, (CM?GC) requests subcontractor bids for the above project on behalf of the University of Oregon (Owner). This bid request includes the following

EARLY WORK PACKAGES:

This bid includes divisions 2-9 and scopes of work are included in the bid package. Steel Driven Piles, UG Utilities and partial concrete (Utilidor, pile caps, and grade beams) have already been bid and the work awarded.

Drawing can obtained at the DJC and/or on line at the Builders Exchange of Washington and the Eugene Builders Exchange.

There is a pre-bid meeting for divisions 2-9 to be held on 1/27/09, 10:00 a.m. at the site. This meeting is not mandatory however we strongly encourage attendance. All subcontractors that provide a bid will be bound to all site conditions. Attendees to meet at CM/GC's field office at the project site located at the corner of Franklin Blvd and Onyx.

There is a Mandatory pre-bid meeting for divisions 15 and 16 (MEP trades) to be held 1/ 27/09, 11:00am at the project site. All subcontractors intending to bid this project must attend the pre-bid walk through. Attendees to meet CM/GC's field office at the project site located at the corner of Franklin Blvd and Onyx.

All bids must be delivered or faxed to Turner Construction Company, 1295 Franklin Blvd, Eugene. OR 97477, Phone: 541-228-0041, bid fax 541-346-7349, no later than 1pm, Tuesday, February 3, 2009. Bids received after the deadline will not be considered.

Turner Construction and the University of Oregon are committed to promoting Minority, Women and Emerging Small Business (m/w/esb) firms and maximizing the opportunities for the State of Oregon certified m/w/esb firms to participate in the work of this project. Each bidder will be required to submit documentation demonstrating good faith efforts to secure participation by m/w/esb. A directory of certified documentation good faith efforts to secure participation by m/w/esb. A directory of certified m/w/esb is available at the Office minority, Women, and Emerging Small Business located in Salem.

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