

Sage Project Lifecycle Management

Bid Management

Streamline the paper-reliant processes of issuing bids and managing communications with bidders

Sage Project Lifecycle Management provides you with the option of a fully integrated, secure, and confidential Web-based Bid Management system. Building on the core system's existing strengths in managing projects, Bid Management streamlines the once paper-reliant process of managing communications with bidders.

Bidders are given access to information relevant to their particular bid package, and can view, download, and print out drawings or specifications as they wish; and will always have access to the latest information released by the bid manager. Quickly and easily create bids using standard templates, and distribute bid documentation to selected recipients in a secure and controlled environment. Sage Project Lifecycle Management also has built-in flexibility so you can reflect a project team's existing workflow structure.

Bid Management also allows for fewer last-minute rushes to complete paperwork and organize couriers. Bidders can publish their responses and all associated documentation directly to the system with confidence, knowing that only the bid manager can see their submissions after the return deadline.

BENEFITS

- Save time by simultaneously publishing all documents and drawings to applicable bidders.
- Save on travel costs by accessing documents and drawings anywhere, at any time.
- Stay organized and punctual with online reminders of bid period milestones.

The screenshot displays the Sage Project Lifecycle Management web application interface. The browser window title is "Sage Project Lifecycle Management - Microsoft Internet Explorer provided by Sage Software". The address bar shows the URL: "http://demo.sageplm.com/Default.aspx?dv=128&7282009834028?sf=false". The page header includes "Sage Project Lifecycle Management", "Sage IIA Demo", "Sage Customer Support (866) 991-3360", and "Email support.sageplm@sage.com". The breadcrumb trail is "Pearl District - Store 106 > Standards > Administration > Project Global > Bidding". The main content area is titled "Acknowledge receipt of this bid" and includes a sidebar with navigation options: "View Details", "View documents", "View addendums", "Acknowledge", "Issue a query", "Queries & Replies", and "Submit Bid". The form itself has a progress indicator with three steps: "1. New Bid Acknowledgement", "2. Issue List", and "3. Confirmation Report". The form fields include: "Project Pearl District - Store 106", "Company Ronnies Roofing", a "Comments" text area with the text "please find associated documents for review in preparation of your tender bid", "Intention:" with radio buttons for "We accept the Invite to Tender" (selected) and "We decline the Invite to Tender", "Email Issue List" with a checkbox, and "Associate Bid(s) [1 Associated]" with an "+ Associate" button. A red asterisk indicates "*Required Information". An "Acknowledge" button is at the bottom right of the form.

◀ Quickly and efficiently communicate with all bidders from within Bid Management.

Advantages

- Easier and faster creation of bid package documentation.
- Clear identification of bid source.
- Shorter bid periods.
- Lower bid costs.
- Single, simultaneous publication of all documents and drawings to all bidders.
- Single communication channel for all questions and RFIs.
- Single, simultaneous publication of amendments, etc., to all bidders.
- Participation for bidders requires no new hardware or software.
- Easy submission of bid questions or RFIs.
- Rapid access to the latest versions of information.
- Online reminders of imminent bid period milestones.
- Only bid managers can view bidder submissions.
- Formalizes and provides a clear audit trail of all communications with bidders.
- Better risk management.
- Greater clarity and accountability, and a 'level playing field' for all bidders.
- Terminology reflects existing in-house processes.
- Little to no additional training needed for existing Sage Project Lifecycle Management users.
- Lower cost of participating in the bid process (no need to invest in CAD or plotters).
- Better understanding of customer processes.
- Faster access to all documents and drawings, anytime, anywhere.
- Faster resolution of questions.
- More realistic and accurate bid response.
- No missed deadlines.
- Lower cost of producing and submitting final bid response.
- Guaranteed confidentiality of bid responses.

Bid Management is a part of Sage Project Lifecycle Management, a Web-based collaborative platform created to streamline your projects and connect the people you depend on to build your business.