

## **Request for Quotes**

Bid #: 23-Travel-001

Title: Printing: New Jersey Travel Guide, Production and Ad Sales

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#### **RFQ Issued By:**

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Offer & Acceptance Page

Subcontractor Utilization Form; and

Source Disclosure Form

#### 1 INTRODUCTION AND SUMMARY OF THE REQUEST FOR QUOTES

This Request for Quotes (RFQ) is issued by the Department of State, Division of Travel and Tourism (Using Agency). The Contract will be awarded in the State of New Jersey's eProcurement system, *NJSTART* (<a href="www.njstart.gov">www.njstart.gov</a>). The awarded Contractor is advised to read through all Quick Reference Guides (QRGs) located on the NJSTART Vendor Support Page for information.

#### 1.1 PURPOSE, INTENT AND BACKGROUND

The purpose of this RFQ is to solicit Quotes for the furnishing of publishing services including content writing, advertising sales, layout and design, typesetting, proofreading, verification of listings, printing, delivery, and any other services associated with producing the State of New Jersey's 2024 New Jersey Official Travel Guide.

It is the intent of the State to award a Contract to that responsible Bidder whose Quote, conforming to this RFQ is most advantageous to the State of New Jersey (State), price and other factors considered. The State may award any or all price lines. The State, however, reserves the right to separately procure individual requirements that are the subject of the Contract during the Contract term, when deemed to be in the State's best interest.

The State of New Jersey Standard Terms and Conditions (SSTCs) included with this RFQ will apply to all Contracts made with the State. These terms are in addition to the terms and conditions set forth in this RFQ and should be read in conjunction with them unless the RFQ specifically indicates otherwise.

#### 1.2 ORDER OF PRECEDENCE OF CONTRACTUAL TERMS

The Contract awarded, and the entire agreement between the parties, as a result of this RFQ shall consist of: (1) the final RFQ, (2) State of New Jersey Standard Terms and Conditions, and (3) the Quote. In the event of a conflict in the terms and conditions among the documents comprising this Contract, the order of precedence, for purposes of interpretation thereof, listed from highest ranking to lowest ranking as noted above.

Any other terms or conditions, not included with the Bidder's Quote and accepted by the State, shall not be incorporated into the Contract awarded. Any references to external documentation, included those documents referenced by a URL, including without limitation, technical reference manuals, technical support policies, copyright notices, additional license terms, etc., are subject to the terms and conditions of the RFQ and the State of New Jersey Standard Terms and Condition. In the event of any conflict between the terms of a document incorporated by reference the terms and conditions of the RFQ and the State of New Jersey Standard Terms and Condition shall prevail.

#### 1.3 BACKGROUND

The New Jersey Department of State's (DOS) mission is to enhance the overall quality of life for New Jersey residents by advancing and supporting its State's economic vitality, cultural and historical programs, and civic engagement responsibilities. Contingent upon the continuation of the DOS's authority and intent to advance the Travel Guide, the awardee of this Contract shall design and print an inviting, user-friendly document that features comprehensive information designed to promote New Jersey as an appealing travel destination to prospective travelers, while endorsing its sights, accommodations, restaurants, transportation, and social and cultural activities.

The successful awardee will retain all advertising revenue generated for the first forty-seven (47) pages of advertisement space sold. The State will receive 10% of any revenue generated by the Vendor {Contract} for sales post the first 47 pages of advertisement.

#### 1.3.1 ADVERTISING BENCHMARK

Vendors {Bidders} can review the current 2022 New Jersey Travel Guide at:

http://www.visitnj.org/form/request-or-download-free-travel-guides.

Historically, the minimum advertising space benchmark for this publication has been 47 pages. The advertising page count is derived by taking the benchmark size of the publication, which is 118 pages, (112 pages of text plus a six-page gatefold cover), and applying a 40/60 ratio of advertising content to editorial content (results in 47 pages of advertising content and 71 pages of editorial content).

This is a re-procurement of the services provided under the *Printing: New Jersey Travel Guide, Production and Ad Sales – Department of State, Division of Travel and Tourism* term Blanket P.O. {Contract}, presently due to expire on March 25, 2023.

#### 1.3.2 PRE-QUOTE DOCUMENT REVIEW

Vendors may click on the links below or copy and paste them onto their browser, for access to these documents.

- a. 2022 New Jersey Travel Guide: http://www.visitnj.org/sites/default/master/files/NJ-Visitors-Guide-2017-Complete-lores.pdf;
- b. Governor Jon Corzine's Executive Order #11 at: <a href="http://nj.gov/infobank/circular/eojsc11.htm">http://nj.gov/infobank/circular/eojsc11.htm</a>;
- United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) Comprehensive Procurement Guidelines for Paper and Paper Products at: <a href="https://www.epa.gov/smm/comprehensive-procurement-guidelines-paper-and-paper-products">https://www.epa.gov/smm/comprehensive-procurement-guidelines-paper-and-paper-products</a>; and
- d. Federal Executive Order 13101: Greening the Government Through Waste Prevention, Recycling, and Federal Acquisition at: <a href="https://www.epa.gov/greenerproducts/executive-order-13101-greening-government-through-waste-prevention-recycling-and">https://www.epa.gov/greenerproducts/executive-order-13101-greening-government-through-waste-prevention-recycling-and</a>.

#### 2 PRE-QUOTE SUBMISSION INFORMATION

The Bidder assumes sole responsibility for the complete effort required in submitting a Quote and for reviewing the Quote submission requirements and the Scope of Work requirements.

#### 2.1 QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD

The Using Agency will electronically accept questions and inquiries from all potential Bidders.

A. Questions should be directly tied to the RFQ and asked in consecutive order, from beginning to end, following the organization of the RFQ; and

A Bidder shall submit questions only to the Using Agency designee by email Jacqueline Kemery at Andrew.Bartone@sos.nj.gov.

The Using Agency will not accept any question in person or by telephone concerning this RFQ. The cut-off date for electronic questions and inquiries relating to this RFQ is indicated on the RFQ cover sheet. In the event that questions are posed by Bidders, answers to such questions will be issued by Addendum. Any Addendum to this RFQ will become part of this RFQ and part of any Contract awarded as a result of this RFQ. Addenda to this RFQ, if any, will be posted to the Using Agency's website (New Jersey Department of State - Request for Proposals (nj.gov)

#### 2.2 BID AMENDMENTS

In the event that it becomes necessary to clarify or revise this RFQ, such clarification or revision will be by Bid Amendment. Any Bid Amendment will become part of this RFQ and part of any Contract awarded. Bid Amendments will be posted with RFQ posted on Using Agency website (New Jersey Department of State - Request for Proposals (nj.gov).

#### 3 QUOTE SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

#### 3.1 QUOTE SUBMISSION

In order to be considered for award, the Quote must be received by the Using Agency, by the required date and time indicated on the RFQ cover sheet. If the Quote opening deadline has been revised, the new Quote opening deadline shall be shown on the posted Bid Amendment. Quotes not received prior to the Quote opening deadline shall be rejected.

Quotes are to be submitted electronically to <a href="NJDOSBIDS@sos.nj.gov">NJDOSBIDS@sos.nj.gov</a>. The subject line should read RFQ #23-Travel-001 - Title: Printing: New Jersey Travel Guide, Production and Ad Sales – Andrew Bartone.

Bidders are to also include a redacted electronic copy of their proposal.

#### 3.2 BIDDER RESPONSIBILITY

The Bidder assumes sole responsibility for the complete effort required in submitting a Quote in response to this RFQ. No special consideration will be given after Quotes are opened because of a Bidder's failure to be knowledgeable as to all of the requirements of this RFQ. The State assumes no responsibility and bears no liability for costs incurred by a Bidder in the preparation and submittal of a Quote in response to this RFQ or any pre-contract award costs incurred.

#### 3.3 BIDDER ADDITIONAL TERMS SUBMITTED WITH THE QUOTE

A Bidder may submit additional terms as part of its Quote. Additional terms are Bidder-proposed terms or conditions that do not conflict with the scope of work required in this RFQ, the terms and conditions of this RFQ, or the State of New Jersey Standard Terms and Conditions. Bidder proposed terms or conditions that conflict with those contained the State of New Jersey Standard Terms and Conditions will render a Quote non-responsive. It is incumbent upon the Bidder to identify and remove its conflicting proposed terms and conditions prior to quote submission.

#### 3.4 QUOTE CONTENT

The Quote should be submitted with the attachments organized in following manner:

- Forms
- Technical Quote
- State Price Sheet

A Bidder should not password protect any submitted documents. Use of URLs in a Quote should be kept to a minimum and shall not be used to satisfy any material term of a RFQ. If a preprinted or other document included as part of the Quote contains a URL, a printed copy of the information should be provided and will be considered as part of the Quote.

#### 3.5 FORMS, REGISTRATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS TO BE SUBMITTED WITH QUOTE

A Bidder is required to complete and submit the following forms.

#### 3.5.1 OFFER AND ACCEPTANCE PAGE

The Bidder should complete and submit the Offer and Acceptance Page with the Quote. The Offer and Acceptance Page must be signed by an authorized representative of the Bidder. If a Bidder does not submit the form with the Quote, the Bidder must comply within seven (7) business days of the State's request or the State may deem the Quote non-responsive.

#### 3.5.1.1 MACBRIDE PRINICPLES CERTIFICATION

The Vendor must certify pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:34-12.2 that it is in compliance with the MacBride principles of nondiscrimination in employment as set forth in N.J.S.A. 52:18A-89.5 and in conformance with the United Kingdom's Fair Employment (Northern Ireland) Act of 1989, and permit independent monitoring of its compliance with those principles. See Section 2.5 of the SSTC and N.J.S.A. 52:34-12.2 for additional information about the MacBride principles.

By signing the Request for Quote (RFQ) Offer and Acceptance Page {Signatory Page}, the Vendor is automatically certifying that either:

- a. The Vendor has no operations in Northern Ireland; or
- b. The Vendor has business operations in Northern Ireland and is committed to compliance with the MacBride principles.

A Vendor electing not to certify to the MacBride Principles must nonetheless sign the Request for Quote (RFQ) Offer and Acceptance Page {Signatory Page} AND must include, as part of its Quote, a statement indicating its refusal to comply with the provisions of this Act.

#### 3.5.1.2 NO SUBCONTRACTOR CERTIFICATION

For a Quote that does NOT include the use of any Subcontractors, by signing the Request for Quote Offer and Acceptance Page {Signatory Page}, the Vendor is *automatically* certifying that:

- a. In the event the award is granted to the Vendor's firm and the Vendor later determines at any time during the term of the t P.O. to engage Subcontractors to provide certain goods and/or services, pursuant to Section 5.8 of the SSTC, the Vendor shall submit a Subcontractor Utilization Plan form for approval to the Division in advance of any such engagement of Subcontractors; and
- b. If the P.O. is a small business subcontracting set-aside, the Vendor certifies that in engaging Subcontractors, it shall make a good faith effort to achieve the subcontracting set-aside goals, and shall attach to the Subcontractor Utilization Plan documentation of such efforts in accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:13-4 et seq.

#### 3.5.1.3 NON-COLLUSION

By submitting a Quote and signing the Request for Quote (RFQ) Offer and Acceptance Page (Signatory Page), the Vendor certifies as follows:

- a. The price(s) and amount of its Quote have been arrived at independently and without consultation, communication or agreement with any other Vendor or any other party;
- b. Neither the price(s) nor the amount of its Quote, and neither the approximate price(s) nor approximate amount of this Quote, have been disclosed to any other firm or person who is a Vendor or potential Vendor, and they will not be disclosed before the Quote submission;
- c. No attempt has been made or will be made to induce any firm or person to refrain from bidding on this P.O., or to submit a Quote higher than this Quote, or to submit any intentionally high or noncompetitive Quote or other form of complementary Quote;
- d. The Quote of the firm is made in good faith and not pursuant to any agreement or discussion with, or inducement from, any firm or person to submit a complementary or other noncompetitive Quote; and
- e. The Vendor, its affiliates, subsidiaries, officers, directors, and employees are not currently under investigation by any governmental agency and have not in the last five (5) years been convicted or found liable for any act prohibited by state or federal law in any jurisdiction, involving conspiracy or collusion with respect to bidding on any public contract.

#### 3.5.2 OWNERSHIP DISCLOSURE FORM

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:25-24.2, in the event the Bidder is a corporation, partnership or limited liability company, the Bidder must disclose all 10% or greater owners by (a) completing and submitting the Ownership Disclosure Form with the Quote; (b) if the Bidder has submitted a signed and accurate Ownership Disclosure Form dated and received no more than six (6) months prior to the Quote submission deadline for this procurement, the Using Agency may rely upon that form; however, if there has been a change in ownership within the last six (6) months, a new Ownership Disclosure Form must be completed, signed and submitted with the Quote; or, (c) a Bidder with any direct or indirect parent entity which is publicly traded may submit the name and address of each publicly traded entity and the name and address of each person that holds a 10 percent or greater beneficial interest in the publicly traded entity as of the last annual filing with the federal Securities and Exchange Commission or the foreign equivalent, and, if there is any person that holds a 10 percent or greater beneficial interest, also shall submit links to the websites containing the last annual filings with the federal Securities and Exchange Commission or the foreign equivalent and the relevant page numbers of the filings that contain the information on each person that holds a 10 percent or greater beneficial interest. N.J.S.A. 52:25-24.2.

A Bidder's failure to submit the information required by N.J.S.A. 52:25-24.2 will result in the rejection of the Quote as non-responsive and preclude the award of a Contract to said Bidder.

#### 3.5.3 DISCLOSURE OF INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES IN IRAN FORM

The Bidder should submit Disclosure of Investment Activities in Iran form to certify that, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:32-58, neither the Bidder, nor one (1) of its parents, subsidiaries, and/or affiliates (as defined in N.J.S.A. 52:32-56(e)(3)), is listed on the Department of the Treasury's List of Persons or Entities Engaging in Prohibited Investment Activities in Iran and that neither the Bidder, nor one (1) of its parents, subsidiaries, and/or affiliates, is involved in any of the investment activities set forth in N.J.S.A. 52:32-56(f). If the Bidder is unable to so certify, the Bidder shall provide a detailed and precise description of such activities as directed on the form. If a Bidder does not submit the form with the Quote, the Bidder must comply within seven (7) business days of the State's request or the State may deem the Quote non-responsive.

#### 3.5.4 DISCLOSURE OF INVESTIGATIONS AND OTHER ACTIONS INVOLVING BIDDER FORM

The Bidder should submit the Disclosure of Investigations and Other Actions Involving Bidder Form, with its Quote, to provide a detailed description of any investigation, litigation, including administrative complaints or other administrative proceedings, involving any public sector clients during the past five (5) years, including the nature and status of the investigation, and, for any litigation, the caption of the action, a brief description of the action, the date of inception, current status, and, if applicable, disposition. If a Bidder does not submit the form with the Quote, the Bidder must comply within seven (7) business days of the State's request or the State may deem the Quote non-responsive.

#### 3.5.5 MACBRIDE PRINCIPLES FORM

The Bidder should submit the MacBride Principles Form. Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:34-12.2, a Bidder is required to certify that it either has no ongoing business activities in Northern Ireland and does not maintain a physical presence therein or that it will take lawful steps in good faith to conduct any business operations it has in Northern Ireland in accordance with the MacBride principles of nondiscrimination in employment as set forth in N.J.S.A. 52:18A-89.5 and in conformance with the United Kingdom's Fair Employment (Northern Ireland) Act of 1989, and permit independent monitoring of their compliance with those principles. If a Bidder does not submit the form with the Quote, the Bidder must comply within seven (7) business days of the State's request or the State may deem the Quote non-responsive.

#### 3.5.6 SERVICE PERFORMANCE WITHIN THE UNITED STATES

The Bidder should submit a completed Source Disclosure Form. Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:34-13.2, all Contracts primarily for services shall be performed within the United States. If a Bidder does not submit the form with the Quote, the Bidder must comply within seven (7) business days of the State's request or the State may deem the Quote non-responsive.

#### 3.5.7 CONFIDENTIALITY/COMMITMENT TO DEFEND

Pursuant to the New Jersey Open Public Records Act (OPRA), N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1 et seq., or the common law right to know, Quotes can be released to the public in accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:12-1.2(b) and (c).

The Bidder should submit a completed and signed Confidentiality /Commitment to Defend Form with the Quote. In the event that the Bidder does not submit the Confidentiality form with the Quote, the State reserves the right to request that the Bidder submit the form after Quote submission.

After the opening of sealed Quotes, all information submitted by a Bidder in response to a RFQ is considered public information notwithstanding any disclaimers to the contrary submitted by a Bidder. Proprietary, financial, security and confidential information may be exempt from public disclosure by OPRA and/or the common law when the Bidder has a good faith, legal/factual basis for such assertion.

When the RFQ contains a negotiation component, the Quote will not be subject to public disclosure until a notice of intent to award a Contract is announced.

As part of its Quote, a Bidder may request that portions of the Quote be exempt from public disclosure under OPRA and/or the common law. Bidder must provide a detailed statement clearly identifying those sections of the Quote that it claims are exempt from production, and the legal and factual basis that supports said exemption(s) as a matter of law. The State will not honor any attempts by a Bidder to designate its price sheet, price list/catalog, and/or the entire Quote as proprietary and/or confidential, and/or to claim copyright protection for its entire Quote. If the State does not agree with a Bidder's designation of proprietary and/or confidential information, the State will use commercially reasonable efforts to advise the Bidder. Copyright law does not prohibit access to a record which is otherwise available under OPRA.

The State reserves the right to make the determination as to what to disclose in response to an OPRA request. Any information that the State determines to be exempt from disclosure under OPRA will be redacted.

In the event of any challenge to the Bidder's assertion of confidentiality that is contrary to the State's determination of confidentiality, the Bidder shall be solely responsible for defending its designation, but in doing so, all costs and expenses associated therewith shall be the responsibility of the Bidder. The State assumes no such responsibility or liability.

In order not to delay consideration of the Quote or the State's response to a request for documents, the State requires that Bidder respond to any request regarding confidentiality markings within the timeframe designated in the State's correspondence regarding confidentiality. If no response is received by the designated date and time, the State will be permitted to release a copy of the Quote with the State making the determination regarding what may be proprietary or confidential.

#### 3.5.8 SUBCONTRACTOR UTILIZATION PLAN

Bidders intending to use Subcontractor(s) shall list all subcontractors on the Subcontractor Utilization Plan form.

For a Quote that does NOT include the use of any Subcontractors, the Bidder is automatically certifying that, if selected for an award, the Bidder will be performing all work required by the Contract.

If it becomes necessary for the Contractor to substitute a Subcontractor, add a Subcontractor, or substitute its own staff for a Subcontractor, the Contractor will identify the proposed new Subcontractor or staff member(s) and the work to be performed. The Contractor shall forward a written request to substitute or add a Subcontractor or to substitute its own staff for a Subcontractor to the State Contract Manager for consideration. The Contractor must provide a completed Subcontractor Utilization Plan, a detailed justification documenting the necessity for the substitution or addition, and resumes of its proposed replacement staff or of the proposed Subcontractor's management, supervisory, and other key personnel that demonstrate knowledge, ability and experience relevant to that part of the work which the Subcontractor is to undertake. The qualifications and experience of the replacement(s) must equal or exceed those of similar personnel proposed by the Contractor in its Quote. The State Contract Manager will forward the request to the Director for approval.

NOTE: No substituted or additional Subcontractors are authorized to begin work until the Contractor has received written approval from the State.

#### 3.5.8.1 SMALL BUSINESS AND/OR DISABLED VETERANS' BUSINESS SUBCONTRACTING SET-ASIDE CONTRACT

This is a Contract with set-aside subcontracting for New Jersey Small Business Enterprises and/or Disabled Veterans' Business.

If the Bidder intends to subcontract, it must submit a Subcontractor Utilization Plan and shall take the following actions to make a good faith effort to solicit and hire eligible New Jersey Small Business Enterprises and/or Disabled Veterans' Business:

- A. The Bidder shall attempt to locate qualified potential New Jersey Small Business Enterprises and/or Disabled Veterans' Business subcontractors;
- B. The Bidder shall request a listing of New Jersey Small Business Enterprises and/or Disabled Veterans' Business from the Division of Revenue and Enterprise Services, Small Business Registration and M/WBE Certification Services Unit if none are known to the Bidder;
- C. The Bidder shall keep a record of its efforts, including the names of businesses contacted and the means and results of such contacts:
- D. The Bidder shall provide all potential subcontractors with detailed information regarding the specifications; and
- E. The Bidder shall attempt, wherever possible, to negotiate prices with potential subcontractors submitting higher than acceptable price quotes.

A Bidder's failure to satisfy New Jersey Small Business Enterprises and/or Disabled Veterans' Business set aside subcontracting or to provide sufficient documentation of its good faith efforts within seven (7) business days upon of a request may preclude award of a Contract to the Bidder.

Each Bidder awarded a Contract which contains the set-aside subcontracting requirement shall fully cooperate in any studies or surveys which may be conducted by the State to determine the extent of the Bidder's compliance with N.J.A.C. 17:13-1.1 et seq., and this RFQ.

#### 3.5.9 PAY TO PLAY PROHIBITIONS

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.13 et seq. (P.L. 2005, c. 51), the State shall not enter into a Contract to procure services or any material, supplies or equipment, or to acquire, sell, or lease any land or building from any Business Entity, where the value of the transaction exceeds \$17,500, if that Business Entity has solicited or made any contribution of money, or pledge of contribution, including in-kind contributions, to a candidate committee and/or election fund of any candidate for or holder of the public office of Governor or Lieutenant Governor, to any State, county, municipal political party committee, or to any legislative leadership committee during certain specified time periods.

Prior to awarding any Contract or agreement to any Business Entity, the Business Entity proposed as the intended Contractor of the Contract shall submit the Two-Year Chapter 51/Executive Order 117 Vendor Certification and Disclosure of Political Contributions form, certifying that no contributions prohibited by either Chapter 51 or Executive Order No. 117 have been made by the Business Entity and reporting all qualifying contributions made by the Business Entity or any person or entity whose contributions are attributable to the Business Entity. Failure to submit the required forms will preclude award of a Contract under this RFQ.

Further, the Contractor is required, on a continuing basis, to report any contributions it makes during the term of the Contract, and any extension(s) thereof, at the time any such contribution is made.

#### 3.5.10 AFFIRMATIVE ACTION

The intended Contractor and its named subcontractors must submit a copy of a New Jersey Certificate of Employee Information Report, or a copy of Federal Letter of Approval verifying it is operating under a federally approved or sanctioned Affirmative Action program. If the Contractor and/or its named subcontractors are not in possession of either a New Jersey Certificate of Employee Information Report or a Federal Letter of Approval, it/they must complete and submit the Affirmative Action Employee Information Report (AA-302). Information, instruction and the application are available at <a href="https://www.state.nj.us/treasury/contract\_compliance/index.shtml">https://www.state.nj.us/treasury/contract\_compliance/index.shtml</a>.

#### 3.5.11 BUSINESS REGISTRATION

In accordance with N.J.S.A. 52:32-44(b), a Bidder and its named Subcontractors must have a valid Business Registration Certificate ("BRC") issued by the Department of the Treasury, Division of Revenue and Enterprise Services prior to the award of a Contract. A Bidder should verify its Business Registration Certification Active status on the "Maintain Terms and Categories" Tab within its profile in *NJSTART*. In the event of an issue with a Bidder's Business Registration Certification Active status, *NJSTART* provides a link to take corrective action.

#### 3.6 TECHNICAL QUOTE

The Bidder shall describe its approach and plans for accomplishing the work outlined in the Scope of Work. The Bidder must set forth its understanding of the requirements of this RFQ and its approach to successfully complete the Contract. The Bidder should include the level of detail it determines necessary to assist the Evaluation Committee in its review of the Bidder's Quote.

#### 3.7 MANAGEMENT OVERVIEW

The Bidder shall set forth its overall technical approach and plans to meet the requirements of the RFQ in a narrative format. This narrative should demonstrate to the Evaluation Committee that the Bidder understands the objectives that the Contract is intended to meet, the nature of the required work, and the level of effort necessary to successfully complete the Contract. The narrative should demonstrate that the Bidder's approach and plans to undertake and complete the Contract are appropriate to the tasks and subtasks involved.

Mere reiterations of RFQ tasks and subtasks are strongly discouraged, as they do not provide insight into the Bidder's approach to complete the Contract. The Bidder's response to this section should demonstrate to the Evaluation Committee that the Bidder's detailed plans and approach proposed to complete the Scope of Work are realistic, attainable and appropriate, and that the Bidder's Quote will lead to successful Contract completion.

#### 3.7.1 SUBMITTALS

The Bidder must submit the following along with its Quote.

#### 3.7.1.1 SALES KITS PROTOYPE AND PUBLISHING SAMPLES

- a. The Vendor's {Bidder's} intended Sales Kit Prototype must include a suggested rate schedule with reasonable pricing to current market advertising rates. A current 2022 rate schedule is attached hereto, for reference, as Attachment A "New Jersey Travel Guide Advertising Rates 2022"; and
- b. Published samples of work similar to the Travel Guide that the Vendor {Bidder} has completed.

#### 3.7.1.2 PRELIMINARY WORK PLAN AND PROJECT SCHEDULE (PWPPS)

The Vendor shall submit a Preliminary Work Plan and Project Schedule that must demonstrate to the State that the Bidder's methodology is realistic, attainable, appropriate, and that the proposed PWPPS shall lead to successfully completing the tasks for producing the Travel Guide, and which shall indicate all project timelines identifying when each task will be accomplished. Minimally, the PWPPS shall include the Vendor's methodologies for:

- a. Updating, correcting, making additions to, and maintaining a universally accepted data base file;
- b. Ensuring that the listings are representative of all six regions, as specified in Section 3.2 of this Bid Solicitation {RFP};
- c. Creating charts and graphs, as specified in Section 3.2 of this Bid Solicitation {RFP};
- d. Ensuring accuracy of listings and advertisements sold;
- e. Developing, implementing and maintaining an electronic database of all advertisement placed in the Travel Guide;
- f. Most strategic layout and design of the publication; and
- g. Ensuring proper packaging, shipping, and timely delivery of the finished products.

#### 3.8 CONTRACT MANAGEMENT

The Bidder shall describe its specific plans to manage, control and supervise the Contract to ensure satisfactory Contract completion according to the required schedule. The plan shall include the Bidder's approach to communicate with the State Contract Manager including, but not limited to, status meetings, status reports, etc.

#### 3.9 CONTRACT SCHEDULE

The Bidder shall include a draft Contract schedule. If key dates are a part of this RFQ, the Bidder's schedule shall incorporate such key dates and shall identify the completion date for each task and sub-task required by the Scope of Work. Such schedule shall also identify the associated deliverable item(s) to be submitted as evidence of completion of each task and/or subtask.

The Bidder shall identify the Contract scheduling and control methodology to be used and shall provide the rationale for choosing such methodology.

#### 3.10 ORGANIZATIONAL EXPERIENCE

The Bidder shall include information relating to its organization, personnel, and experience, including, but not limited to, references, together with contact names and telephone numbers, evidencing the Bidder's qualifications, and capabilities to perform the services required by this RFQ. The Bidder should include the level of detail it determines necessary to assist the Evaluation Committee in its review of Bidder's Quote.

#### 3.11 LOCATION

The Bidder shall include the address of where responsibility for managing the Contract will take place. The Bidder shall include the telephone number and name of the individual to contact.

#### 3.12 ORGANIZATION CHARTS

The Bidder shall include an organization chart, with names showing management, supervisory and other key personnel (including Subcontractor management, supervisory, or other key personnel) to be assigned to the Contract. The chart shall include the labor category and title of each such individual.

- a. **Blanket P.O. {Contract} -Specific Chart**. The Bidder should include a P.O. organization chart, with names showing management, supervisory and other key personnel (including Subcontractor management, supervisory, or other key personnel) to be assigned to the P.O. The chart should include the labor category and title of each such individual; and
- b. <u>Chart for Entire Firm</u>. The Bidder should include an organization chart showing the Bidder's entire organizational structure. This chart should show the relationship of the individuals assigned to the P.O. to the Bidder's overall organizational structure.

#### 3.13 RESUMES

Detailed resumes shall be submitted for all management, supervisory, and key personnel to be assigned to the Contract. Resumes shall emphasize relevant qualifications and experience of these individuals in successfully completing Contracts of a similar size and scope to those required by this RFQ. Resumes shall include the following:

- A. The individual's previous experience in completing each similar Contract;
- B. Beginning and ending dates for each similar Contract;
- C. A description of the Contract demonstrating how the individual's work on the completed Contract relates to the individual's ability to contribute to successfully providing the services required by this RFQ; and
- D. With respect to each similar Contract, the name and address of each reference together with a person to contact for a reference check and a telephone number.

The Bidder shall provide detailed resumes for each Subcontractor's management, supervisory, and other key personnel that demonstrate knowledge, ability, and experience relevant to that part of the work which the Subcontractor is designated to perform.

#### 3.14 EXPERIENCE WITH CONTRACTS OF SIMILAR SIZE AND SCOPE

The Bidder should provide a comprehensive listing of contracts of similar size and scope that it has successfully completed, as evidence of the Bidder's ability to successfully complete services similar to those required by this RFQ. Emphasis should be placed on contracts that are similar in size and scope to the work required by this RFQ. A description of all such contracts should be included and should show how such contracts relate to the ability of the firm to complete the services required by this RFQ. For each such contract listed, the Bidder should provide two (2) names and telephone numbers of individuals for contracting party. Beginning and ending dates should also be given for each contract.

The Bidder must provide details of any negative actions taken by other contracting entities against them in the course of performing these projects including, but not limited to, receipt of letters of potential default, default, cure notices, termination of services for cause, or other similar notifications/processes. Additionally, the Bidder should provide details, including any negative audits, reports, or findings by any governmental agency for which the Bidder is/was the Contractor on any contracts of similar scope. In the event a Bidder neglects to include this information in its Quote, the Bidder's omission of necessary disclosure information may be cause for rejection of the Bidder's Quote by the State.

The Bidder should provide documented experience to demonstrate that each Subcontractor has successfully performed work on contracts of a similar size and scope to the work that the Subcontractor is designated to perform in the Bidder's Quote. The Bidder must provide a detailed description of services to be provided by each Subcontractor.

#### 3.15 STATE PRICE SHEET INSTRUCTIONS

The Bidder must submit its pricing using the State Price Sheet accompanying this RFQ.

Any price changes including hand written revisions or "white-outs" must be initialed. Failure to initial price changes shall preclude a Contract award from being made to the Bidder pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:12-2.2(a)(8).

The Vendor must submit an all-inclusive firm fixed price. No additional fees or costs shall be paid by the state unless there is a charge in the Scope of Work that has been approved by the State Contract Manager, in writing

Should the State of New Jersey require additional copies of the Travel Guide after the Initial Production Run, pricing must be indicated on lines 1 through 3 of the price sheet provided for additional quantities of: 10,000, 25, 000, and 35,000.

#### 3.15.1 <u>DELIVERY TIME AND COSTS</u>

All delivery times are as noted RFQ Section 5.6 Delivery Time and Costs. Bidder may submit alternate delivery days on the State Price Sheet. Alternate delivery times shall not exceed the delivery days noted in RFQ Section 5.6 Delivery Time and Costs. Quotes that exceed the delivery days of RFQ Section 5.6 Delivery Time and Costs may be deemed non-responsive.

#### 3.15.2 USE OF "NO BID" VERSUS "NO CHARGE" ON THE STATE-SUPPLIED PRICE SHEET

All price lines must be filled out in accordance with the instructions above. If the Bidder is not submitting a price for an item on a price line, the Bidder must indicate "No Bid" on the State-Supplied Price Sheet accompanying this RFQ. If the Bidder will supply an item on a price line free of charge, the Bidder must indicate "No Charge" on the State-Supplied Price Sheet accompanying this RFQ. The use of any other identifier may result in the Bidder's quote being deemed non-responsive.

#### 4 SCOPE OF WORK

The Vendor shall produce the State's 2024 New Jersey Travel Guide (Travel Guide) featuring content that is experiential, compelling, and dynamic, and which promotes New Jersey as a distinctive place to visit, as well as its numerous attractions, landmarks, beaches and parks.

#### 4.1 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

The Vendor shall print an initial production run of 400,000 copies of the Travel Guide, which shall be provided to the State at no cost.

The Vendor is responsible for providing the following services, which are further detailed within this Request for Quote:

- a. Sale of advertising space within the Travel Guide;
- b. Complete layout and design services;
- c. Printing of the Travel Guide
- d. Delivery of the Travel Guide according to schedule.
- e. Developing scope and writing all travel guide content.
- f. Review current database of listings and provide a successfully methodology to insure all listings are accurate and uniform in its presentation.

#### 4.1.1 PROJECT LAUNCH MEETING

The Vendor shall schedule a face-to-face meeting with the State Contract Manager (SCM) within fifteen (15) business days after P.O. award. This meeting shall include discussion on topics including, but not limited to:

- a. Project Intent and Scope;
- b. Proper methods and channels of communication between the Vendor and the SCM;
- c. Sales Kit Prototype;
- d. A review of the Preliminary Work Plan and Project Schedule (PWPPS), pursuant to Section 3.7.1.2 of this Request for Quote (RFQ); and
- e. Other topics to be determined by the SCM.

#### 4.1.2 FINAL WORK PLAN AND PROJECT SCHEDULE (FWPPS)

The Vendor shall revise the Preliminary Work Plan and Project Schedule (PWPPS) (Reference Section 3.7.1.2 of this RFQ) submitted with its Quote and develop a Final Work Plan and Project Schedule (FWPPS), subject to approval by the SCM. The FWPPS must be approved by the SCM and work cannot proceed until such approval is obtained. The FWPPS presented by the Vendor shall incorporate the decisions and recommendations made to the PWPPS during the Project Launch Meeting. The Vendor shall submit the FWPPS, including approved edits to the PWPPS, to the SCM within five (5) business days after the Project Launch Meeting.

The FWPPS shall demonstrate that the Vendor's methodologies and timelines are realistic, attainable, appropriate, and that its implementation will result in the successful completion of the project. The Vendor must detail each step of production up to the final delivery date. Minimally, the FWPPS shall include the Vendor methodology for achieving each of the following:

- a. Updating, correcting, making additions to, and maintaining a universally accepted data base file;
- b. Ensuring that the listings are representative of all six regions, as specified in Section 4.3.1 of this Request for Quote (RFQ);
- c. Creating charts and graphs, as specified in Section 4.3.1 of this Request for Quote (RFQ);

- d. Ensuring the accuracy of listings and advertisements sold;
- e. Developing, implementing and maintaining an electronic database of all advertisements placed in the Travel Guide;
- f. Most strategic layout and design of the publication; and
- g. Ensuring proper packaging, shipping, and timely delivery of the finished products.

#### 4.2 STAFFING

The Vendor must employ a competent workforce capable of meeting all requirements of any P.O. resulting from this Request for Quote (RFQ). The Vendor's workforce must include an experienced and professional graphics designer(s), advertising sales staff, and a minimum of one (1) project manager as a primary point of contact ("POC") for direct interaction with the SCM.

#### 4.3 TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

The Vendor shall produce an English language 118-page Travel Guide consisting of 112 pages of content plus a 6-page gatefold front or back cover (when opened flat must measure: 8" x 23 ½"), with the following technical specifications:

- a. Binding: Hinge-scored perfect binding using high strength glue;
- b. Finished Page Size: 8" x 10 ½" (editorials and advertisements; does not include gatefold cover);
- c. Printing (Cover): Prints 4/4 Process Plus Overall Gloss Aqueous or Varnish;
- d. Stock: Cover Gloss Text 80 pounds (lbs.), Number 4 (four) Recycled (Minimum of 30% Post-Consumer Recovered Fiber); and
- e. Printing (Text) Prints 4/4 Process on 45-lb. Recycled Paper (Minimum 10% Post-Consumer Recovered Fiber), Web Gloss, and Opaque Number Four (4).

#### 4.3.1 CREATION OF A UNIVERSALLY ACCEPTED DATA BASE FILE

The SCM will supply the Vendor with the current listings (e.g. sights, accommodations, restaurants, transportation, and activities) that shall appear in the 2023 edition of the State's Travel Guide by July 1, of the publication year.

The Vendor shall, at a minimum:

- a. Contact each current listing to update any changes, corrections, or additions (e.g. new address, changes in name, closures, addition/updating of business websites through varying methods (e.g. telemarketing, facsimile, letters, or completion of guestionnaires);
- b. Ensure that the listings appear by the following six (6) regions of the State (Reference Attachment B New Jersey State Map by Regions):
  - Skylands;
  - Gateway;
  - 3. Delaware River;
  - 4. Shore;
  - 5. Greater Atlantic; and
  - 6. Southern Shore.
- c. Update and maintain a file of all correspondence with the listings for subsequent verification. The Vendor must provide copies of all data files, including those it has created, to the SCM within five (5) business days upon conclusion of the project.

The SCM will make a final review, as well as any updates to the listings and advertisements, before the closing date specified in the FWPPPS. The Vendor must coordinate this function with the SCM to allow ample time for completion of all updated information. The Vendor must obtain the SCM's written approval prior to printing the Travel Guide.

**Note:** The SCM will provide the Vendor with an electronic data file of the current listings used in the previous publication of the Travel Guide.

#### 4.3.2 CREATION OF CHARTS AND GRAPHS

The Vendor shall create charts and graphs for each previously specified region, from data supplied by the SCM at the Project Launch Meeting. The charts and graphs will be provided to visually enhance, and further elaborate upon, information presented for each region.

#### 4.3.3 ADVERTISING

The Vendor is responsible for the accuracy of advertisements and all listings that it sells.

Advertisements and listings shall not be accepted by the Vendor or presented to the DTT for inclusion in the Travel Guide if content:

- a. Are false, misleading, deceptive, disrespectful, fraudulent, or libelous;
- b. Contain material or language that is profane, or vulgar;
- c. Contain obscene material as defined by <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 2C:34-3, as such definition may be amended, modified or supplemented from time to time;
- d. Promote unlawful or illegal goods, services, or activities;
- e. Promote the sale or use of tobacco or tobacco-related products, or the sale or use of alcoholic beverages;
- f. Promote the sale or use of products designed for use with sexual activity;
- g. Depict or glamorize violent or anti-social behavior, or sexual conduct;
- h. Display weapons;
- i. Declare or imply an endorsement by the DOS without prior written authorization by the DOS;
- j. Are political, religious, or controversial in nature;
- k. Are not in the best interest of the DOS or are not in the best interest of the public;
- I. Depict the State seal without prior express written approval of the New Jersey Secretary of State; or
- m. Are otherwise precluded from use under law or regulation.

Note: These categories are subject to change by law, regulation, or policy.

#### 4.3.3.1 ADVERTISEMENT SALES DATABASE

The Vendor shall develop, implement, and maintain an electronic database of all advertisements placed in the Travel Guide. At a minimum, the database must include each advertisement's size, page count, cost, and advertiser's name. The Vendor shall provide the SCM with a copy of the electronic database within five (5) business days of printing the Travel Guide.

#### 4.3.3.2 ADVERTISEMENT RATE SCHEDULE

The Vendor shall finalize the rate schedule provided with its Sales Kit Prototype (Reference Section 3.7.1.2 of this Request for Quote (RFQ) submitted with its Quote.

#### 4.3.3.3 PAYMENT FOR GENERATED REVENUE

The Vendor shall ensure that DTT receives 10% of the gross revenues generated from any advertising content exceeding the 60-page threshold referenced in Section 1.2, *Background*, of the Request for Quote (RFQ). A one-time payment shall be made to DTT in the form of a certified check, made payable to the Division of Travel and Tourism, within three (3) business days after the initial printing of the Travel Guide.

#### 4.3.3.4 **REPORTS**

The Vendor shall provide a written report to the SCM, within five (5) business days of completion of collecting payments for all advertisements, detailing, at a minimum:

- a. The total number of advertisements in the publication;
- b. The advertisers' names; and
- c. The size of each advertisement.

#### 4.3.3.5 ADVERTISING SALES

The Vendor shall, at a minimum:

- a. Be responsible for selling all advertising space and for collecting all generated revenues;
- b. Produce advertising negatives at the Vendor's established rate for advertisers, if required;
- c. Base the sale of advertising space and listings within the Travel Guide upon the most current market rates for advertising space.

If the Vendor fails to make a sufficient number of advertising sales or to generate the necessary revenues needed to cover its production costs, the Vendor shall still be required to timely fulfill all deliverables set forth in this Request for Quote (RFQ).

#### 4.3.4 LAYOUT AND DESIGN OF THE PUBLICATION

The Vendor must provide and make available as necessary, at least one competent, computer graphics employee(s) for consultation with the SCM. The Vendor shall:

- a. Be responsible for original design, layout, and editorial content as determined by the SCM;
- b. Provide a minimum of three (3) thumbnail designs of the publication to the SCM for review, approval, input, and discussion of each edition; and
- c. Provide the SCM with a complete layout, using the current issue of the Travel Guide as a prototype.

#### 4.3.5 CREATIVE WRITING

The Vendor shall be required to provide creative writing services to graphically describe the State's special attractions (i.e. iconic beaches and lighthouses, parks, landmarks, etc.), regions, and any other material prescribed by the SCM.

#### 4.3.6 PROOFREADING

The Vendor shall utilize proofreading skills to ensure proper spelling, syntax, correct grammar usage, and accuracy of information within the Travel Guide. The use of Spell Check alone is not sufficient.

#### 4.3.7 PREPRESS FINISHED PAGES FROM DISK FILES

The Vendor must present digital color proofs of the Travel Guide pages to the SCM with photos and artwork, for signed approval before release to the printer. The time required to accomplish this task must be included in the Vendor's FWPPS.

#### 4.3.8 PHOTOGRAPHS

The Vendor shall utilize the digital color photographs provided by the SCM. Any additional creative artwork, design, scans, digital images, and proofs shall be the responsibility of the Vendor. The DTT will provide line art, photographs, slides, or digital images when available. The Vendor shall be responsible for the cover image, if so directed by the SCM. Approval of the cover image shall be at the sole discretion of the SCM.

#### 4.3.9 NEW JERSEY STATE MAP

The SCM will provide a two-page spread of a color map of the State of New Jersey, indicating the six (6) regions of the State, in digital format. The Vendor shall publish the map on the inside of the gatefold page of the front or back cover.

#### 4.4 COPYRIGHT

All materials and images provided by the DTT shall remain the property of the State. Note: The Vendor shall retain copyright protections for its own company logo. The Vendor is strongly advised to reference and review Section 5.8 Ownership of Material, within this Request for Quote (RFQ) for additional information regarding copyright protection.

#### 4.5 PRINTING

Within four (4) business days of the SCM's approval of the Travel Guide contents, the Vendor shall provide the SCM with the following, as provided by the printer, for signed approval:

- a. Match Color Prints; and
- b. Digital Color Proofs.

**Note:** State representatives from the Using Agency reserve the right to visit the Vendor's printing location at the time of actual printing, and with a minimum of 24-hours advance notice of the intended visit.

#### 4.6 QUALITY CONTROL

The Vendor shall create and finalize digital printing files for print production and provide quality control in all phases of production. All printed Travel Guides must undergo a Quality Control Process prior to delivery. Quality Control shall include a review of, at a minimum:

- a. Sharpness/Readability of Print;
- b. Alignment of Print;
- c. Paper Stock;
- d. Paper Size;
- e. Binding;
- f. Timeliness of Production; and
- g. Packaging Compliance.

#### 4.7 SHIPPING

The Vendor shall adhere to, at a minimum, the following shipping and delivery requirements:

#### 4.7.1 PACKING

- a. The Initial Production Run must be packed in bulk, not exceeding a weight of 35 lbs. per carton;
- b. Initial Production Run cartons must be stacked on two-way skids for delivery to the following location:

Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Newark 321 Central Avenue Newark, New Jersey 07103

c. If applicable, ensure that all additional orders are packed in smaller shipments of 5,000 copies, to be delivered to DOS' warehouse located at:

ARC Mercer 600 New York Avenue Trenton, New Jersey 08638

- d. Clearly stencil or label each carton with the product name and the number of copies in each box; and
- e. Attach a packing slip to each skid.

#### 4.7.2 DELIVERY

#### 4.7.2.1 DELIVERY DATE

The Vendor must:

Deliver each Initial Production Run on or before January 1 of each year, on neatly packed skids and as stipulated in Section 4.7.1 of the Request for Quote (RFQ). Note: The Vendor may be required to deliver additional shipments to other destinations in New Jersey, as designated by the SCM.

#### 4.7.2.2 <u>DELIVERY DELAYS</u>

Delivery delays attributable to:

- a. The Vendor May result in the filing of an official complaint by the DTT with the Contract Compliance and Audit Unit; and/or
- b. Using Agency Will allow for adjustment to the Delivery Date.

Note: The Vendor shall provide the SCM with written notification of (including a justification) any potential delivery delay.

#### 4.8 USE OF RECYCLED PRODUCTS

#### 4.8.1 POST-CONSUMER RECOVERED FIBER

The Vendor must ensure that the materials used in production of the 2024 New Jersey Official Travel Guide comply with the minimum amount of Post-Consumer Recovered Fiber, pursuant to former Governor Jon Corzine's Executive Order #11 enacted on April 22, 2006, and in accordance with the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) Comprehensive Procurement Guidelines developed pursuant to Federal Executive Order 13101 (Reference Section 1.3.2 of this Request for Quote (RFQ)).

#### 4.8.2 RECYCLING CERTIFICATION

The Vendor's signature on the Offer and Acceptance Page (reference Section 4.4.1.1 – Offer and Acceptance Page (Signatory Page)) shall certify that the Vendor certifies that the materials to be used in the completion of the deliverables set forth in this Scope of Work, shall contain the minimum percentage of post-consumer material content.

**Note:** The State reserves the right to request a manufacturer's certification confirming post-consumer material content either prior to award or during the period of the P.O.

#### 5 GENERAL CONTRACT TERMS

The Contractor shall have sole responsibility for the complete effort specified in this Contract. Payment will be made only to the Contractor. The Contractor is responsible for the professional quality, technical accuracy and timely completion and submission of all deliverables, services or commodities required to be provided under this Contract. The Contractor shall, without additional compensation, correct or revise any errors, omissions, or other deficiencies in its deliverables and other services. The approval of deliverables furnished under this Contract shall not in any way relieve the Contractor of responsibility for the technical adequacy of its work. The review, approval, acceptance or payment for any of the deliverables, goods or services, shall not be construed as a waiver of any rights that the State may have arising out of the Contractor's performance of this Contract.

#### 5.1 CONTRACT TERM AND EXTENSION OPTION

The base term of this Contract shall be for a period of three (3) years. However, a new PO will be issued at the beginning of each Contract Year.

This Contract may be extended up to three (3) years with no single extension exceeding one (1) year, by the mutual written consent of the Contractor and the State at the same terms, conditions, and pricing at the rates in effect in the last year of this Contract or rates more favorable to the State.

#### 5.2 CHANGE ORDER

Any changes or modifications to the terms of this P.O. shall be valid only when they have been reduced to writing and signed by the Vendor and the SCM.

#### 5.3 VENDOR RESPONSIBILITES

The Vendor shall have sole responsibility for the complete effort specified in this P.O. Payment will be made only to the Vendor. The Vendor shall have sole responsibility for all payments due any Subcontractor.

The Vendor is responsible for the professional quality, technical accuracy and timely completion and submission of all deliverables, services or commodities required to be provided under this P.O. The Vendor shall, without additional compensation, correct or revise any errors, omissions, or other deficiencies in its deliverables and other services. The approval of deliverables furnished under this P.O. shall not in any way relieve the Vendor of responsibility for the technical adequacy of its work. The review, approval, acceptance or payment for any of the services shall not be construed as a waiver of any rights that the State may have arising out of the Vendor's performance of this P.O.

#### 5.4 SUBSTITUTION OF STAFF

If a Contractor needs to substitute any management, supervisory or key personnel, the Contractor shall identify the substitute personnel and the work to be performed. The Contractor must provide detailed justification documenting the necessity for the substitution. Resumes must be submitted for the individual(s) proposed as substitute(s) whom must have qualifications and experience equal to or better than the individual(s) originally proposed or currently assigned.

The Contractor shall forward a request to substitute staff to the State Contract Manager for consideration and approval. No substitute personnel are authorized to begin work until the Contractor has received written approval to proceed from the State Contract Manager.

#### 5.5 SUBSTITUTION OR ADDITION OF SUBCONTRACTOR(S)

This Subsection serves to supplement but not to supersede Sections 5.8 and 5.9 of the SSTC accompanying this Request for Quote (RFO).

The Vendor shall forward a written request to substitute or add a Subcontractor or to substitute its own staff for a Subcontractor to the State Contract Manager for final approval. No substituted or additional Subcontractors are authorized to begin work until the Vendor has received written approval from the State Contract Manager.

If it becomes necessary for the Vendor to substitute a Subcontractor, add a Subcontractor, or substitute its own staff for a Subcontractor, the Vendor will identify the proposed new Subcontractor or staff member(s) and the work to be performed. The Vendor must provide detailed justification documenting the necessity for the substitution or addition.

The Vendor must provide detailed resumes of its proposed replacement staff or of the proposed Subcontractor's management, supervisory, and other key personnel that demonstrate knowledge, ability and experience relevant to that part of the work which the Subcontractor is to undertake.

The qualifications and experience of the replacement(s) must equal or exceed those of similar personnel proposed by the Vendor in its Quote.

#### 5.6 OWNERSHIP OF MATERIAL

All data, technical information, materials gathered, originated, developed, prepared, used or obtained in the performance of this P.O., including, but not limited to, all reports, surveys, plans, charts, literature, brochures, mailings, recordings (video and/or audio), pictures, drawings, analyses, graphic representations, software computer programs and accompanying documentation and printouts, notes and memoranda, written procedures and documents, regardless of the state of completion, which are prepared for or are a result of the services required under this P.O. shall be and remain the property of the State of New Jersey and shall be delivered to the State of New Jersey upon 30 days' notice by the State. With respect to software computer programs and/or source codes developed for the State, except those modifications or adaptations made to Vendor's Background IP as defined below, the work shall be considered "work for hire", i.e., the State, not the Vendor or Subcontractor, shall have full and complete ownership of all software computer programs and/or source codes developed. To the extent that any of such materials may not, by operation of the law, be a work made for hire in accordance with the terms of this P.O., Vendor or Subcontractor hereby assigns to the State all right, title and interest in and to any such material, and the State shall have the right to obtain and hold in its own name and copyrights, registrations and any other proprietary rights that may be available.

Should the Vendor anticipate bringing pre-existing intellectual property into the project, the intellectual property must be identified in the Quote. Otherwise, the language in the first paragraph of this section prevails. If the Vendor identifies such intellectual property ("Background IP") in its Quote, then the Background IP owned by the Vendor on the date of this P.O., as well as any modifications or adaptations thereto, remain the property of the Vendor. Upon P.O. award, the Vendor shall grant the State a nonexclusive, perpetual royalty free license to use any of the Vendor's Background IP delivered to the State for the purposes contemplated by this P.O.

#### 5.7 SECURITY AND CONFIDENTIALITY

#### 5.7.1 DATA CONFIDENTIALITY

All financial, statistical, personnel, customer and/or technical data supplied by the State to the Vendor are confidential (State Confidential Information). The Vendor must secure all data from manipulation, sabotage, theft or breach of confidentiality. The Vendor is prohibited from releasing any financial, statistical, personnel, customer and/or technical data supplied by the State that is deemed confidential. Any use, sale, or offering of this data in any form by the Vendor, or any individual or entity in the Vendor's charge or employ, will be considered a violation of this P.O. and may result in P.O. termination and the Vendor's suspension or debarment from State contracting. In addition, such conduct may be reported to the State Attorney General for possible criminal prosecution.

The Vendor shall assume total financial liability incurred by the Vendor associated with any breach of confidentiality.

When requested, the Vendor and all project staff including its Subcontractor(s) must complete and sign confidentiality and non-disclosure agreements provided by the State. The Vendor may be required to view yearly security awareness and confidentiality training modules provided by the State. Where required, it shall be the Vendor's responsibility to ensure that any new staff sign the confidentiality agreement and complete the security awareness and confidentiality training modules within one (1) month of the employees' start date.

The State reserves the right to obtain, or require the Vendor to obtain, criminal history background checks from the New Jersey State Police for all Vendor and project staff (to protect the State of New Jersey from losses resulting from Vendor employee theft, fraud or dishonesty). If the State exercises this right, the results of the background check(s) must be made available to the State for consideration before the employee is assigned to work on the State's project. Prospective employees with positive criminal backgrounds for cyber-crimes will not be approved to work on State Projects. Refer to the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) Special Publication (SP) 800-12, An Introduction to Computer Security: The NIST Handbook, Section 10.1.3, Filling the Position – Screening and Selecting.

#### 5.7.1.1 VENDOR'S {CONTRACTOR'S} CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

a. The obligations of the State under this provision are subject to the New Jersey Open Public Records Act ("OPRA"), N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1 et seq., the New Jersey common law right to know, and any other lawful document request or subpoena;

- b. By virtue of this P.O., the parties may have access to information that is confidential to one another. The parties agree to disclose to each other only information that is required for the performance of their obligations under this P.O. Vendor's Confidential Information, to the extent not expressly prohibited by law, shall consist of all information clearly identified as confidential at the time of disclosure and anything identified in Vendor's Quote as Background IP ("Vendor {Contractor} Confidential Information"). Notwithstanding the previous sentence, the terms and pricing of this Blanket P.O. {Contract} are subject to disclosure under OPRA, the common law right to know, and any other lawful document request or subpoena;
- c. A party's Confidential Information shall not include information that: (a) is or becomes a part of the public domain through no act or omission of the other party; (b) was in the other party's lawful possession prior to the disclosure and had not been obtained by the other party either directly or indirectly from the disclosing party; (c) is lawfully disclosed to the other party by a third party without restriction on the disclosure; or (d) is independently developed by the other party;
- d. The State agrees to hold Vendor's Confidential Information in confidence, using at least the same degree of care used to protect its own Confidential Information;
- e. In the event that the State receives a request for Vendor Confidential Information related to this P.O. pursuant to a court order, subpoena, or other operation of law, the State agrees, if permitted by law, to provide Vendor with as much notice, in writing, as is reasonably practicable and the State's intended response to such order of law. Vendor shall take any action it deems appropriate to protect its documents and/or information;
- f. In addition, in the event Vendor receives a request for State Confidential Information pursuant to a court order, subpoena, or other operation of law, Vendor shall, if permitted by law, provide the State with as much notice, in writing, as is reasonably practicable and Vendor's intended response to such order of law. The State shall take any action it deems appropriate to protect its documents and/or information; and
- g. Notwithstanding the requirements of nondisclosure described in these Sections 5.7.1 and 5.7.1.1, either party may release the other party's Confidential Information (i) if directed to do so by a court or arbitrator of competent jurisdiction, (ii) pursuant to a lawfully issued subpoena or other lawful document request, (iii) in the case of the State, if the State determines the documents or information are subject to disclosure and Vendor does not exercise its rights as described in Section 5.1.1.1(e), or if Vendor is unsuccessful in defending its rights as described in Section 5.7.1.1(e), or (iv) in the case of Vendor, if Vendor determines the documents or information are subject to disclosure and the State does not exercise its rights described in Section 5.1.1 (f), or if the State is unsuccessful in defending its rights as described in Section 5.7.1.1 (f).

#### 5.8 NEWS RELEASES

The Vendor is not permitted to issue news releases pertaining to any aspect of the services being provided under this P.O. without the prior written consent of the State Contract Manager.

#### 5.9 ADVERTISING

The Vendor shall not use the State's name, logos, images, or any data or results arising from this P.O. as a part of any commercial advertising without first obtaining the prior written consent of the State Contract Manager

#### 5.10 LICENSES AND PERMITS

The Vendor shall obtain and maintain in full force and effect all required licenses, permits, and authorizations necessary to perform this P.O. The Vendor shall comply with all New Jersey Department of Labor requirements. Notwithstanding the requirements of the Request for Quote (RFQ), the Vendor shall supply the State Contract Manager with evidence of all such licenses, permits and authorizations. This evidence shall be submitted subsequent to this P.O. award. All costs associated with any such licenses, permits, and authorizations must be considered by the Vendor in its Quote.

#### 5.11 CLAIMS AND REMEDIES

#### 5.11.1 **CLAIMS**

All claims asserted against the State by the Vendor shall be subject to the New Jersey Tort Claims Act, <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 59:1-1, *et seq.*, and/or the New Jersey Contractual Liability Act, <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 59:13-1, *et seq.* 

#### 5.11.2 REMEDIES

Nothing in this P.O. shall be construed to be a waiver by the State of any warranty, expressed or implied, of any remedy at law or equity, except as specifically and expressly stated in a writing executed by the State Contract Manager.

#### 5.11.3 REMEDIES FOR FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH MATERIAL P.O. REQUIREMENTS

In the event that the Vendor fails to comply with any material P.O. requirements, the State Contract Manager Director may take steps to terminate this P.O. in accordance with the SSTC, authorize the delivery of P.O. items by any available means, with the difference between the price paid and the defaulting Vendor's price either being deducted from any monies due the defaulting Vendor or being an obligation owed the State by the defaulting Vendor as provided for in the State administrative code, or take any other action or seek any other remedies available at law or in equity.

#### 5.12 ADDITIONAL WORK AND/OR SPECIAL PROJECT

The Vendor shall not begin performing any additional work or special projects without written consent of the State Contract.

In the event of additional work and/or special projects, the Vendor must present a written Quote to perform the additional work to the State Contract Manager. The Quote should provide justification for the necessity of the additional work. The relationship between the additional work and the base P.O. work must be clearly established by the Vendor in its Quote.

The Vendor's written Quote must provide a detailed description of the work to be performed broken down by task and subtask. The Quote should also contain details on the level of effort, including hours, labor categories, etc., necessary to complete the additional work.

The written Quote must detail the cost necessary to complete the additional work in a manner consistent with this P.O. The written price schedule must be based upon the hourly rates, unit costs or other cost elements submitted by the Vendor in the Vendor's original Quote submitted in response to this Request for Quote. Whenever possible, the price schedule should be a firm, fixed price to perform the required work. The firm, fixed price should specifically reference and be tied directly to costs submitted by the Vendor in its original Quote. A payment schedule, tied to successful completion of tasks and subtasks, must be included.

Upon receipt and approval of the Vendor's written Quote {Proposal}, the State Contract Manager will review and provide the Vendor with written approval.

In the event the Vendor proceeds with additional work and/or special projects without the SCM's written approval, it shall be at the Vendor's sole risk. The State shall be under no obligation to pay for work performed without the SCM written approval.

#### 5.13 **ELECTRONIC PAYMENTS**

With the award of this Contract, the successful Contractor(s) will be required to receive its payment(s) electronically. In order to receive your payments via automatic deposit from the State of New Jersey, you must complete the EFT information within your *NJSTART* Vendor Profile. Please refer to the QRG entitled "Vendor Profile Management – Company Information and User Access" for instructions.

#### 6 MODIFICATIONS TO THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS

#### 6.1 **INSURANCE**

#### 6.1.1 PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY INSURANCE

Section 4.2 of the SSTC is supplemented with the following:

Professional Liability Insurance: The Contractor shall carry Errors and Omissions, Professional Liability Insurance, and/or Professional Liability Malpractice Insurance sufficient to protect the Contractor from any liability arising out the professional obligations performed pursuant to the requirements of this Contract. The insurance shall be in the amount of not less than \$1,000,000 or higher if appropriate per each occurrence and in such policy forms as shall be approved by the State. If the Contractor has claims-made coverage and subsequently changes carriers during the term of this Contract, it shall obtain from its new Errors and Omissions, Professional Liability Insurance, and/or Professional Malpractice Insurance carrier an endorsement for retroactive coverage.

#### 7 QUOTE EVALUATION AND AWARD

#### 7.1 RECIPROCITY FOR JURISDICTIONAL BIDDER PREFERENCE

In accordance with N.J.S.A. 52:32-1.4, the State of New Jersey will invoke reciprocal action against an out-of-State Bidder whose state or locality maintains a preference practice for its in-state Bidders. The State of New Jersey will use the annual surveys compiled by the Council of State Governments, National Association of State Procurement Officials, or the National Institute of Governmental Purchasing or a State's statutes and regulations to identify States having preference laws, regulations, or practices and to invoke reciprocal actions. The State of New Jersey may obtain additional information as it deems appropriate to supplement the stated survey information.

A Bidder may submit information related to preference practices enacted for a State or Local entity outside the State of New Jersey. This information may be submitted in writing as part of the Quote response, including name of the locality having the preference practice, as well as identification of the county and state, and should include a copy of the appropriate documentation, i.e., resolution, regulation, law, notice to Bidder, etc. It is the responsibility of the Bidder to provide documentation with the Quote or submit it to the Using Agency within five (5) business days after the deadline for Quote submission. Written evidence for a specific procurement that is not provided to the Using Agency within five (5) business days of the public Quote submission date may not be considered in the evaluation of that procurement, but may be retained and considered in the evaluation of subsequent procurements.

#### 7.2 CLARIFICATION OF QUOTE

After the Quote Opening Date, unless requested by the State as noted below, Bidder contact with the Using Agency regarding this RFQ and the submitted Quote is not permitted. After the Quotes are reviewed, one (1), some or all of the Bidders may be asked to clarify inconsistent statement contained within the submitted Quote.

#### 7.3 TIE QUOTES

Tie Quotes will be awarded by the Director in accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:12-2.10.

#### 7.4 STATE'S RIGHT TO INSPECT BIDDER'S FACILITIES

The State reserves the right to inspect the Bidder's establishment before making an award, for the purposes of ascertaining whether the Bidder has the necessary facilities for performing the Contract.

#### 7.5 STATE'S RIGHT TO CHECK REFERENCES

The State may also consult with clients of the Bidder during the evaluation of Quotes. Such consultation is intended to assist the State in making a Contract award that is most advantageous to the State.

#### 7.6 **EVALUATION CRITERIA**

The following evaluation criteria categories, not necessarily listed in order of significance, will be used to evaluate Quotes received in response to this RFQ. The evaluation criteria categories may be used to develop more detailed evaluation criteria to be used in the evaluation process.

#### 7.6.1 TECHNICAL EVALUATION CRITERIA

The following criteria will be used to evaluate and score Quotes received in response to this RFQ. Each criterion will be scored, and each score multiplied by a predetermined weight to develop the Technical Evaluation Score:

- A. Personnel: The qualifications and experience of the Bidder's management, supervisory, and key personnel assigned to the Contract, including the candidates recommended for each of the positions/roles required;
- B. Experience of firm: The Bidder's documented experience in successfully completing Contract of a similar size and scope in relation to the work required by this RFQ; and
- C. Ability of firm to complete the Scope of Work based on its Technical Quote: The Bidder's demonstration in the Quote that the Bidder understands the requirements of the Scope of Work and presents an approach that would permit successful performance of the technical requirements of the Contract.

#### 7.7 QUOTE DISCREPANCIES

In evaluating Quotes, discrepancies between words and figures will be resolved in favor of words. Discrepancies between Unit Prices and totals of Unit Prices will be resolved in favor of Unit Prices. Discrepancies in the multiplication of units of work and Unit Prices will be resolved in favor of the Unit Prices. Discrepancies between the indicated total of multiplied Unit Prices and units of work and the actual total will be resolved in favor of the actual total. Discrepancies between the indicated sum of any column of figures and the correct sum thereof will be resolved in favor of the correct sum of the column of figures.

#### 7.8 BEST AND FINAL OFFER (BAFO)

The Using Agency may invite one (1) Bidder or multiple Bidders to submit a Best and Final Offer (BAFO). Said invitation will establish the time and place for submission of the BAFO. Any BAFO that does not result in more advantageous pricing to the State will not be considered, and the State will evaluate the Bidder's most advantageous previously submitted pricing.

The Using Agency may conduct more than one (1) round of BAFO in order to attain the best value for the State.

BAFOs will be conducted only in those circumstances where it is deemed to be in the State's best interests and to maximize the State's ability to get the best value. Therefore, the Bidder is advised to submit its best technical and price Quote in response to this RFQ since the State may, after evaluation, make a Contract award based on the content of the initial submission

If the Using Agency contemplates BAFOs, Quote prices will not be publicly read at the Quote opening. Only the name and address of each Bidder will be publicly announced at the Quote opening.

#### 7.9 POOR PERFORMANCE

A Bidder with a history of performance problems may be bypassed for consideration of an award issued as a result of this RFQ. The following materials may be reviewed to determine Bidder performance:

- A. Contract cancellations for cause pursuant to State of New Jersey Standard Terms and Conditions Section 5.7(B);
- B. information contained in Vendor performance records;
- C. information obtained from audits or investigations conducted by a local, state or federal agency of the Bidder's work experience;
- D. current licensure, registration, and/or certification status and relevant history thereof; or
- E. Bidder's status or rating with established business/financial reporting services, as applicable.

Bidders should note that this list is not exhaustive.

#### 7.10 RECOMMENDATION FOR AWARD

After the evaluation of the submitted Quotes is complete, the Using Agency will recommend to the Chief Financial Officer of the Department for award, the responsible Bidder(s) whose Quote, conforming to this RFQ, is most advantageous to the State, price and other factors considered.

#### 7.11 CONTRACT AWARD

PO award(s) will be made with reasonable promptness by written notice to that responsible Bidder, whose Quote, conforming to this RFQ, is most advantageous to the State, price, and other factors considered.

#### 8 GLOSSARY

**Acceptance** – The written confirmation by the Using Agency that Contractor has completed a Deliverable according to the specified requirements.

**All-Inclusive Hourly Rate** – An hourly rate comprised of all direct and indirect costs including, but not limited to: labor costs, overhead, fee or profit, clerical support, travel expenses, per diem, safety equipment, materials, supplies, managerial support and all documents, forms, and reproductions thereof. This rate also includes portal-to-portal expenses as well as per diem expenses such as food.

**Apparel** - means any clothing, headwear, linens or fabric.

**Apparel Contracts** - include all purchases, rentals or other acquisition of apparel products by the State of New Jersey, including authorizations by the State of New Jersey for vendors to sell apparel products through cash allowances or vouchers issued by the State of New Jersey, and license agreements with a public body.

**Apparel Production** - includes the cutting and manufacturing of apparel products performed by the vendor or by any subcontractors, but <u>not</u> including the production of supplies or sundries such as buttons, zippers, and thread.

**Best and Final Offer or BAFO** – Pricing timely submitted by a Bidder upon invitation by the Procurement Bureau after Quote opening, with or without prior discussion or negotiation.

**Bid or RFQ** – The documents which establish the bidding and Contract requirements and solicits Quotes to meet the needs of the Using Agencies as identified herein, and includes the RFQ, State of New Jersey Standard Terms and Conditions (SSTC), State Price Sheet, Attachments, and Bid Amendments.

**Bid Amendment** – Written clarification or revision to this RFQ issued by the Division. Bid Amendments, if any, will be issued prior to Quote opening.

**Bid Opening Date** – The date Quotes will be opened for evaluation and closed to further Quote submissions.

**Bid Security** - means a guarantee, in a form acceptable to the Division, that the bidder, if selected, will accept the contract as bid; otherwise, the bidder or, as applicable, its guarantor will be liable for the amount of the loss suffered by the State, which loss may be partially or completely recovered by the State in exercising its rights against the instrument of bid security.

**Bidder** – An entity offering a Quote in response to the RFQ.

**Breach of Security** – as defined by N.J.S.A. 56:8-161, means unauthorized access to electronic files, media, or data containing Personal Data that compromises the security,

confidentiality, or integrity of Personal Data when access to the Personal Data has not been secured by encryption or by any other method or technology that renders the Personal Data unreadable or unusable. Good faith acquisition of Personal Data by an employee or agent of the Provider for a legitimate business purpose is not a Breach of Security, provided that the Personal Data is not used for a purposes unrelated to the business or subject to further unauthorized disclosure.

**Business Day** – Any weekday, excluding Saturdays, Sundays, State legal holidays, and State-mandated closings unless otherwise indicated.

**Calendar Day** – Any day, including Saturdays, Sundays, State legal holidays, and State-mandated closings unless otherwise indicated.

**Change Order** – An amendment, alteration, or modification of the terms of a Contract between the State and the Contractor(s). A Change Order is not effective until it is signed and approved in writing by the Director or Deputy Director, Division of Purchase and Property.

**Commercial off the Shelf Software** or **COTS** - Software provided by Provider that is commercially available and that can be used with little or no modification.

**Customized Software** - COTS that is adapted or configured by Provider to meet specific requirements of the Authorized Purchaser that differ from the standard requirements of the base product. For the avoidance of doubt, "Customized Software" is not permitted to be sold to the State under the scope of this Contract.

Contract – The Contract consists of the State of NJ Standard Terms and Conditions (SSTC), the RFQ, the responsive Quote submitted by a responsible Bidder as accepted by the State, the notice of award, any Best and Final Offer, any subsequent written document memorializing the agreement, any modifications to any of these documents approved by the State and any attachments, Bid Amendment or other supporting documents, or post-award documents including Change Orders agreed to by the State and the Contractor, in writing.

**Contractor** – The Bidder awarded a Contract resulting from this RFQ.

Cooperative Purchasing Program – The Division's intrastate program that provides procurement-related assistance to New Jersey local governmental entities and boards of education, State and county colleges and other public entities having statutory authority to utilize select State Contract s issued by the Division, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 52:25-16.1 et seq.

**Cooperative Purchasing Participants** - These participants include quasi-State entities, counties, municipalities, school districts, volunteer fire departments, first aid squads, independent institutions of higher learning, County colleges, and State colleges

Days After Receipt of Order (ARO) – The number of calendar days 'After Receipt of Order' in which the Using Agency will receive the ordered materials and/or services.

**Dealer/Distributor** – A Company authorized by a Bidder or Contractor as having the contractual ability to accept and fulfill orders and receive payments directly on behalf of the Contractor that is awarded a Contract. Any authorized Dealer/Distributor must agree to all terms and conditions contained within the RFQ and must agree to provide all products and services in accordance with the Contract specifications, terms, conditions and pricing.

**Deliverable** – Goods, products, Services and Work Product that Contractor is required to deliver to the State under the Contract.

**Director** – Director, Division of Purchase and Property, Department of the Treasury, who by statutory authority is the Chief Contracting Officer for the State of New Jersey; or the Director's designee.

**Disabled Veterans' Business** - means a business which has its principal place of business in the State, is independently owned and operated and at least 51% of which is owned and controlled by persons who are disabled veterans or a business which has its principal place of business in this State and has been officially verified by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs as a service disabled veteran-owned business for the purposes of department contracts pursuant to federal law. N.J.S.A. 52:32-31.2.

**Disabled Veterans' Business Set-Aside Contract** - means a Contract for goods, equipment, construction or services which is designated as a Contract with respect to which bids are invited and accepted only from disabled veterans' businesses, or a portion of a Contract when that portion has been so designated. N.J.S.A. 52:32-31.2.

**Discount** – The standard price reduction applied by the Bidder to all items.

**Division** – The Division of Purchase and Property.

**Evaluation Committee** – A group of individuals or a Using Agency staff member assigned to review and evaluate Quotes submitted in response to this RFQ and recommend a Contract award.

**Firm Fixed Price** – A price that is all-inclusive of direct cost and indirect costs, including, but not limited to, direct labor costs, overhead, fee or profit, clerical support, equipment, materials, supplies, managerial (administrative) support, all documents, reports, forms, travel, reproduction and any other costs.

**Hardware** – Includes computer equipment and any Software provided with the Hardware that is necessary for the Hardware to operate.

**Internet of Things (IoT)** - the network of physical devices, vehicles, home appliances and other items embedded with electronics, software, sensors, actuators, and network connectivity which enables these objects to connect and exchange data.

Intrastate cooperative purchasing participants - refers to political subdivisions, volunteer fire departments and first aid squads, and independent institutions of higher education and school districts pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:25-16.1 et seq., State and county colleges pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:64-60 and 18A:64A-25.9, quasi-State agencies and independent authorities pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:27B-56.1, and other New Jersey public entities having statutory authority to utilize select State contracts issued by the Division

**Joint Venture** – A business undertaking by two (2) or more entities to share risk and responsibility for a specific project.

**Life cycle assessment** – The comprehensive examination of a product's environmental and economic aspects and potential impacts throughout its lifetime, including raw material extraction, transportation, manufacturing, use and disposal.

**Life cycle cost** – The amortized total cost of a product, including capital costs, installation costs, operating costs, maintenance costs, and disposal costs discounted over the lifetime of the product.

Master Blanket Purchase Order (Blanket/Blanket P.O.) – A Term Contract that allows repeated purchases from an awarded contract.

Materials in Solid Waste – Material found in the various components of the solid waste stream. General, solid waste has several components, such as municipal solid waste (MSW), construction and demolition debris (C&D), and nonhazardous industrial waste. Under RCRA Section 6002, EPA considers materials recovered from any component of the solid waste stream when designating items containing Recovered Materials.

**May** – Denotes that which is permissible or recommended, not mandatory.

**Mobile Device** - means any device used by Provider that can move or transmit data, including but not limited to laptops, hard drives, and flash drives.

**Must** – Denotes that which is a mandatory requirement.

**Net Purchases** - means the total gross purchases, less credits, taxes, regulatory fees and separately stated shipping charges not included in unit prices, made by Intrastate Cooperative Purchasing Participants, regardless of whether or not *NJSTART* is used as part of the purchase process.

**No Bid** – The Bidder is not submitting a price Quote for an item on a price line.

**No Charge** – The Bidder will supply an item on a price line free of charge.

Non-Public Data - means data, other than Personal Data, that is not subject to distribution to the public as public information. Non-Public Data is data that is identified by the State as non-public information or otherwise deemed to be sensitive and confidential by the State because it contains information that is exempt by statute, ordinance or administrative rule from access by the general public as public information.

**Percentage Discount or Markup** - The percentage bid applied as a Markup or a Discount to a firm, fixed price contained within a price list/catalog.

**Performance Security** - means a guarantee, executed subsequent to award, in a form acceptable to the Division, that the successful bidder will complete the contract as agreed and that the State will be protected from loss in the event the contractor fails to complete the contract as agreed.

#### Personal Data means -

"Personal Information" as defined in N.J.S.A. 56:8-161, means an individual's first name or first initial and last name linked with any one or more of the following data elements: (1) Social Security number, (2) driver's license number or State identification card number or (3) account number or credit or debit card number, in combination with any required security code, access code, or passord that would permit access to an individual's financial account. Dissociated data that, if linked would constitute Personal Information is Personal Information if the means to link the dissociated were accessed in connection with access to the dissociated data. Personal Information shall not include publicly available information that is lawfully made available to the general public from federal, state or local government records, or widely distributed media; and/or

Data, either alone or in combination with other data, that includes information relating to an individual that identifies the person or entity by name, identifying number, mark or description that can be readily associated with a particular individual and which is not a public record, including but not limited to, Personally Identifiable Information (PII); government-issued identification numbers (e.g., Social

Security, driver's license, passport); Protected Health Information (PHI) as that term is defined in the regulations adopted pursuant to the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, P.L. No. 104-191 (1996) and found in 45 CFR Parts 160 to 164 and defined below; and Education Records, as that term is defined in the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), 20 <u>U.S.C.</u> § 1232g.

Personally Identifiable Information or PII - as defined by the U.S. Department of Commerce, National Institute of Standards and Technology, means any information about an individual maintained by an agency, including (1) any information that can be used to distinguish or trace an individual's identity, such as name, social security number, date and place of birth, mother's maiden name, or biometric records; and (2) any other information that is linked or linkable to an individual, such as medical, educational, financial, and employment information.

**Post-Consumer Material** – Material or finished product that has served its intended use and has been diverted or recovered from waste destined for disposal, having completed its life as a consumer item. Post-Consumer Materials are part of the broader category of Recovered Materials.

**Pre-Consumer Material** – Materials generated in manufacturing and converting processes, such as manufacturing scrap and trimmings/cuttings.

**Price List/Catalog** – A document published by a manufacturer, resellers, Dealers, or Distributors that typically contains product descriptions, a list of products with fixed prices to which a Bidder's percentage discount or markup bid is applied.

**Procurement Bureau (Bureau)** – The Division unit responsible for the preparation, advertisement, and issuance of RFQs, for the tabulation of Quotes and for recommending award(s) of Contract(s) to the Director and the Deputy Director.

**Project** – The undertakings or services that are the subject of this RFQ.

Protected Health Information or PHI - has the same meaning as the term is defined in the regulations adopted pursuant to the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, P.L. No. 104-191 (1996) and found in 45 CFR Parts 160 to 164 means Individually Identifiable Health Information (as defined below) transmitted by electronic media, maintained in electronic media, or transmitted or maintained in any other form or medium. PHI excludes education records covered by the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), as amended, 20 <u>U.S.C.</u> 1232g, records described at 20 <u>U.S.C.</u> 1232g(a)(4)(B)(iv) and employment records held by a covered entity in its role as employer. The term "Individually Identifiable Health Information" has the same meaning as the term is defined in the regulations adopted pursuant to the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996,

P.L. No. 104-191 (1996) and found in 45 CFR Parts 160 to 164 and means information that is a subset of Protected Health Information, including demographic information collected from an individual, and (1) is created or received by a health care provider, health plan, employer or health care clearinghouse; and (2) relates to the past, present or future physical or mental health or condition of an individual; the provision of health care to an individual; or the past, present or future payment for the provision of health care to an individual; and (a) that identifies the individual; or (b) with respect to which there is a reasonable basis to believe the information can be used to identify the individual.

**Quasi-State Agency** - is any agency, commission, board, authority or other such governmental entity which is established and is allocated to a State department or any bistate governmental entity of which the State of New Jersey is a member, as defined in N.J.S.A. 52:27B-56.1, provided that any sale to any such bi-state governmental entity is for use solely within the State of New Jersey.

**Quick Reference Guides (QRGs)** – Informational documents which provide Vendors with step-by-step instructions to navigate the NJSTART eProcurement System. QRGs are available on the NJSTART Vendor Support Page.

**Quote** – Bidder's timely response to the RFQ including, but not limited to, technical Quote, price Quote including Best and Final Offer, any licenses, forms, certifications, clarifications, negotiated documents, and/or other documentation required by the RFQ.

**Quote Opening Date** - The date Quotes will be opened for evaluation and closed to further Quote submissions.

**Recovered Material** – Waste material and byproduct that have been recovered or diverted from solid waste, but does not include materials and byproducts generated from, and commonly reused within, an original manufacturing process.

**Recycling** – The series of activities, including collection, separation, and processing, by which products or other materials are recovered from the solid waste stream for use in the form of raw materials in the manufacture of new products other than fuel for producing heat or power by combustion.

**Recyclability** – The ability of a product or material to be recovered from, or otherwise diverted from, the solid waste stream for the purpose of recycling.

**Request For Quotes (RFQ)** – This series of documents, which establish the bidding and contract requirements and solicits Quotes to meet the needs of the Using Agencies as identified herein, and includes the RFQ, State of NJ Standard Terms and Conditions (SSTC), price schedule, attachments, and Bid Amendments.

**Retainage** – The amount withheld from the Contractor payment that is retained and subsequently released upon

satisfactory completion of performance milestones by the Contractor.

**Revision** – A response to a BAFO request or a requested clarification of the Bidder's Quote.

**RMAN** – Recovered Materials Advisory Notices provide purchasing guidance and recommendations for Recovered and Post-Consumer Material content levels for designated items.

**Security Incident** - means the potential access by non-authorized person(s) to Personal Data or Non-Public Data that the Provider believes could reasonably result in the use, disclosure, or access or theft of State's unencrypted Personal Data or Non-Public Data within the possession or control of the Provider. A Security Incident may or may not turn into a Breach of Security.

**Services** – Includes, without limitation (i) Information Technology (IT) professional services, (ii) Software and Hardware-related services, including without limitation, installation, configuration, and training, and (iii) Software and Hardware maintenance and support and/or Software and Hardware technical support services.

**Shall** – Denotes that which is a mandatory requirement.

**Should** – Denotes that which is permissible or recommended, not mandatory.

Small Business – Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:32-19, N.J.A.C. 17:13-1.2, and N.J.A.C. 17:13-2.1, "small business" means a business that meets the requirements and definitions of "small business" and has applied for and been approved by the New Jersey Division of Revenue and Enterprise Services, Small Business Registration and M/WBE Certification Services Unit as (i) independently owned and operated, (ii) incorporated or registered in and has its principal place of business in the State of New Jersey; (iii) has 100 or fewer full-time employees; and has gross revenues falling in one (1) of the six (6) following categories:

For goods and services - (A) 0 to \$500,000 (Category I); (B) \$500,001 to \$5,000,000 (Category II); and (C) \$5,000,001 to \$12,000,000, or the applicable federal revenue standards established at 13 CFR 121.201, whichever is higher (Category III).

For construction services: (A) 0 to \$3,000,000 (Category IV); (B) gross revenues that do not exceed 50 percent of the applicable annual revenue standards established at 13 CFR 121.201 (Category V); and (C) gross revenues that do not exceed the applicable annual revenue standards established at CFR 121.201, (Category VI).

**Small Business Set-Aside Contract** – means (1) a Contract for goods, equipment, construction or services which is designated as a Contract with respect to which bids are invited and accepted only from small businesses, or (2) a portion of a

Contract when that portion has been so designated." N.J.S.A. 52:32-19.

**Software** - means, without limitation, computer programs, source codes, routines, or subroutines supplied by Provider, including operating software, programming aids, application programs, application programming interfaces and software products, and includes COTS, unless the context indicates otherwise.

Software as a Service or SaaS - means the capability provided to a purchaser to use the Provider's applications running on a cloud infrastructure. The applications are accessible from various client devices through a thin client interface such as a Web browser (e.g., Web-based email) or a program interface. The purchaser does not manage or control the underlying cloud infrastructure, including network, servers, operating systems, storage or even individual application capabilities, with the possible exception of limited user-specific application configuration settings.

**State** – The State of New Jersey.

**State Confidential Information** - shall consist of State Data and State Intellectual Property supplied by the State, any information or data gathered by the Contractor in fulfillment of the Contract and any analysis thereof (whether in fulfillment of the Contract or not);

**State Contract Manager or SCM** – The individual, responsible for the approval of all deliverables, i.e., tasks, sub-tasks or other work elements in the Scope of Work. The SCM cannot direct or approve a Change Order.

State Data - means all data and metadata created or in any way originating with the State, and all data that is the output of computer processing of or other electronic manipulation of any data that was created by or in any way originated with the State, whether such data or output is stored on the State's hardware, the Provider's hardware or exists in any system owned, maintained or otherwise controlled by the State or by the Provider. State Data includes Personal Data and Non-Public Data.

**State Intellectual Property** – Any intellectual property that is owned by the State. State Intellectual Property includes any derivative works and compilations of any State Intellectual Property.

**State-Supplied Price Sheet** – the bidding document created by the State and attached to this RFQ on which the Bidder submits its Quote pricing as is referenced and described in the RFQ.

**Subtasks** – Detailed activities that comprise the actual performance of a task.

**Subcontractor** – An entity having an arrangement with a Contractor, whereby the Contractor uses the products and/or services of that entity to fulfill some of its obligations under its State Contract, while retaining full responsibility for the performance of all Contractor's obligations under the Contract, including payment to the Subcontractor. The Subcontractor has no legal relationship with the State, only with the Contractor.

**Task** – A discrete unit of work to be performed.

Third Party Intellectual Property – Any intellectual property owned by parties other than the State or Contractor and contained in or necessary for the use of the Deliverables. Third Party Intellectual Property includes COTS owned by Third Parties, and derivative works and compilations of any Third Party Intellectual Property.

**Unit Cost or Unit Price** – All-inclusive, firm fixed price charged by the Bidder for a single unit identified on a price line.

**US CERT** – United States Computer Emergency Readiness Team.

**USEPA** – United States Environmental Protection Agency

**Using Agency[ies]** – A State department or agency, a quasi-State governmental entity, or an Intrastate Cooperative Purchasing participant, authorized to purchase products and/or services under a Contract procured by the Division.

**Vendor** – Either the Bidder or the Contractor.

**Vendor Intellectual Property** – Any intellectual property that is owned by Contractor and contained in or necessary for the use of the Deliverables or which the Contractor makes available for the State to use as part of the work under the Contract Vendor Intellectual Property includes COTS or Customized Software owned by Contractor, Contractor's technical documentation, and derivative works and compilations of any Vendor Intellectual Property.

Work Product - Every invention, modification, discovery, development, customization, configuration, improvement, process, Software program, work of authorship, documentation, formula, datum, technique, know how, secret, or intellectual property right whatsoever or any interest therein (whether patentable or not patentable or registerable under copyright or similar statutes or subject to analogous protection) that is specifically made, conceived, discovered, or reduced to practice by Contractor or Contractor's subcontractors or a third party engaged by Contractor or its subcontractor pursuant to the Contract Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the preceding sentence, Work Product does not include State Intellectual Property, Vendor Intellectual Property or Third Party Intellectual Property.

#### AGENCY SPECIFIC GLOSSARY

**Advertisement** – A paid, non-personal notice or announcement in a public, written medium promoting products, services, or events. Advertisements are designed to persuade readers to take action desired by the advertiser, and may or may not contain graphics, photos, etc.

**Advertising Negatives** – Film that contains the same images as the original print, except that all colors and shades are reversed, becoming obsolete.

Aqueous Coating – A water soluble coating that protects ink and enables quick handling of a piece.

Batch – The quantity of material prepared or required for the required printing of one (1) single job.

Benchmark – The standard by which others may be measured or a point of reference from which measurements may be made.

**Blueline Proofs** – Prepress photographic proofs made from stripped negatives where all colors show as blue images on white paper. **Department of State (DOS)** – A State agency charged with enhancing the overall quality of life for New Jersey residents by advancing and supporting the State's economic vitality, cultural and historical programs, and civic engagement.

#### **Division of Travel and Tourism (DTT)**

FWPPS - Final Work Plan and Project Schedule.

**Gate Fold** – A sheet where both sides fold toward the gutter, in overlapping layers.

Gloss - A surface luster or brightness.

**Initial Production Run** – A designated number of travel guides to be printed by the Vendor (Contractor) and delivered at no cost to the State.

**Listing** – A non-graphic strip of information that provides minimal information to readers, such as a company's name, address, services, phone number, and website address.

Match Print – A process in which the actual film generated from your digital file is printed to reveal the completed work.

**Notch Perfect Bound** – A process by which the edges of the spine of a book are ground off (or notched) forming a book block that is glued into a paper cover, allowing the glue to flow into the notches or ground off areas.

**PWPPS** – Preliminary Work Plan and Project Schedule.

**Post-Consumer Recovered Fiber** – Material generated by households or by commercial, industrial, and institutional facilities in their role as end-users of the product, which can no longer be used for its intended purpose; also known as recovered paper and board.

**Prepress** – Camera work, color separations, stripping, platemaking and other prepress functions performed by the printer, separator, or a service bureau prior to printing; also known as "preparation."

**Proof** – A test sheet made to reveal errors or flaws, predict results on press, and record how a printing job is intended to appear when finished.

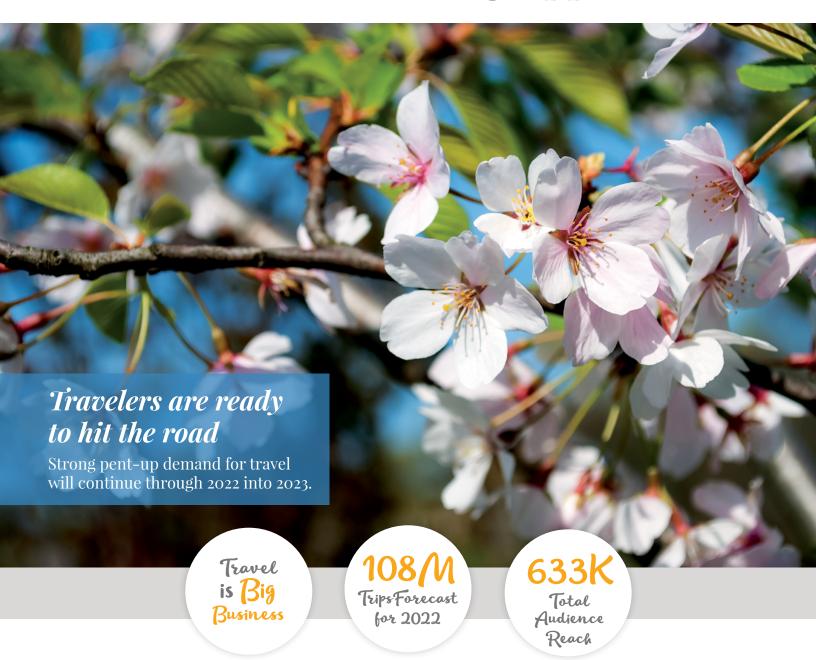
Skid - A low platform mounted (as on wheels) on which material is set for handling and moving.

**Stock** – A term for paper or other material to be printed.

**Thumbnail** – A reduced-size version of an original image.

**Web Gloss** – A substrate coating.

## New Jersey Travel Guide Marketing Opportunities





# Reader Response New Jersey



Free Reader Response Service Generates High-Quality Leads

### What is Reader Response?

Advertisers in the official New Jersey Travel Guide benefit from a free Reader Response service that provides qualified and timely leads, including names and addresses of consumers who have requested more information about your destination. If provided by the visitor, you have access to email addresses, the date they plan to arrive and length of stay.

#### How are leads generated?

A Reader Response number is included with the purchase of a display ad in the guide. Potential visitors access an online form and request information online. Miles will process the requests and enter the leads into our system which you can access and use at any time.

## Features of Reader Response

- Online access anytime
- Print leads directly to labels or download
- Target leads for direct mail promotions by interest or zip code
- Email promotions to the list of leads



Consumers tell you about their plans with the Reader Response service.

> \*Average leads generated

Visitors who use the Reader Response service are hot prospects because they specifically requested additional information about your business.

# NEWJERSEY travel guide

The New Jersey Travel Guide is the primary fulfillment piece for the New Jersey Travel & Tourism Department's multi-million dollar advertising, marketing and public relations campaigns.



Active New Jersey travel planners through print and digital versions of the guide!



## Target Audience

#### New Jersey 2021 Visitor Profile

- 1. Avg. 2.03 people per trip
- 2. 1/3 of travelers are frequent visitors (4+ times)
- 3. Avg. stay 2.71 days
- 4. Avg. \$160 spend per person per day

## Circulation

## 430,000 annual copies



The New Jersey Travel Guide is the primary print call-toaction for the state of New Jersey's Division of Travel & Tourism efforts. Your message is reaching an incredibly qualified, active-travel-planning audience.

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Travelers
Use Print

S SOZY WINTER

BEACHES MORE

Print usage remains high with 53% of American travelers utilizing print to research and plan their trips.

\*State of American Traveler Research



## Digital Guide

Visits: 13,044 Pageviews: 203,477

Avg. Session: 8 minutes

\*All advertisements are linked to your website within the Digital Guide.

## Rates

Size	Rate
Inside Front Cover	SOLD
Back Cover	SOLD
Page 1	SOLD
Full Page	\$8,170
Half Page	\$5,315
1/4 Page	\$3,065
1/8 Page	\$1,750
Photo Listing	\$750
Highlighted Listing	\$350

Leverage your brand & offer participation options to your members/stakeholders with advertorial co-op options.

Contact Abby Siegel-Greenberg for details.

# TRAVEL GUIDE distribution

Each year 430,000 copies are distributed to travelers who are interested in visiting the Garden State. When the visitor responds to request more information online, this is the guide they receive.

Make sure your business or area is included so they know you are ready to show them a great time!



## TARGETED DISTRIBUTION

- 13 State Welcome Centers
- Area and regional hotels
- Travel agencies and AAA offices in local and surrounding states
- New York Travel Plaza Information Centers
- Trade shows & events
- Online and direct call fulfillment
- Municipalities
- Public libraries

#### CONTACT

**Abby Siegel-Greenberg** | 610.291.3424 abby.siegel@milespartnership.com

# TRAVEL INDUSTRY insights

Tourism is big business to New Jersey!







### Top 6 Overnight Markets

- 1. New Jersey
- 2. New York
- 3. Pennsylvania
- 4. North Carolina
- 5. Maryland
- 6. South Carolina

## 2021 Highlights

- ☑ Of \$37.8B spent in 2020, 27.3% was spent on food and beverage.
- ✓ Lodging businesses received \$10.5B, 28.0% of all visitor spending.
- ☑ 17.5 cents of every visitor dollar went to retail shopping, while the \$4.1B spent at recreational businesses represents 11.1 cents of each visitor dollar

### 2022 Visitation Highlights

The visitation forecast for 2022 anticipated a jump in visitation of 12% to nearly 108 million person-trips.

Spending for 2022 was forecasted to jump nearly \$7B to surpass \$44B.

The Mid-Atlantic region, where the guide is mainly distributed, has a total of 43 out of the nation's top 100 counties with the highest median household incomes.

# THE HYPER-INFORMED traveler

The 2022 U.S. traveler is more informed and uses more media and sources of information than ever before in the history of travel.

That's why Miles funds independent research bi-annually to help our clients make the most of their marketing dollars. Sign up for our email to stay informed.

# State of the American Traveler Research Highlights



American optimism for leisure travel in the next year is high



38.6%

Total Social Media Usage (2020)



Use of mobile phones for travel planning and inspiration continues to grow (58.3%) **37.1%** 

Total DMO Usage (2020)

DMO resources (print, websites, etc.) continue to to perform well relative to many other resources available to travelers

### UNDERSTAND YOUR AUDIENCE

Become a tourismmarketing expert

Get the Research & White Papers

### **State of the American Traveler Research**

Quarterly State of the American Traveler Research Topics: Content, Mobile, Innovation & New Technologies & Generation

> Generational Planning Information Inside





# Price Sheet for Printing: New Jersey Travel Guide, Production & Ad Sales

Line No.	Commodity Service Description	Quantity	Unit	Unit Price
1	Office of Travel & Tourism Item Description Printing NJ Travel Guide, Production & Ad Sales Price Per Batch for Additional Copies Ordered After Initial Product Run	10,000	Batch	
2	Office of Travel & Tourism Item Description Printing NJ Travel Guide, Production & Ad Sales Price Per Batch for Additional Copies Ordered After Initial Product Run	25,000	Batch	
3	Office of Travel & Tourism Item Description Printing NJ Travel Guide, Production & Ad Sales Price Per Batch for Additional Copies Ordered After Initial Product Run	35,000	Batch	



State of New Jersey Authorized Signature

Print Name and Title

#### OFFER AND ACCEPTANCE PAGE

# STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF STATE - DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATION 33 WEST STATE STREET, P.O. BOX 459 TRENTON, NEW JERSEY 08625-0459

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#### **BID SOLICITATION CHECKLIST**

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BID SOLICITATION # & TITLE:
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THIS CHECKLIST WAS CREATED AS A GUIDE TO ASSIST BIDDERS AND MAY NOT IDENTIFY ALL OF THE DOCUMENTS, FORMS OR OTHER INFORMATION REQUIRED FOR SUBMITTING A COMPLETE AND RESPONSIVE QUOTE. IT IS THE BIDDER'S RESPONSIBILITY TO ENSURE THAT ALL REQUIREMENTS OF THE BID SOLICITATION HAVE BEEN MET.

	STANDARD PROCUREMENT FORMS, REGISTRATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS THAT MUST BE SUBMITTED BY THE BIDDER AND ARE INCLUDED IN THIS PACKET			
REQUIRED				
	OFFER AND ACCEPTANCE PAGE			
	OWNERSHIP DISCLOSURE FORM			
	DISCLOSURE OF INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES IN IRAN FORM			
	DISCLOSURE OF INVESTIGATIONS AND OTHER ACTIONS INVOLVING VENDOR			
	MACBRIDE PRINCIPLES FORM			
	SUBCONTRACTOR UTILIZATION PLAN  If this bid solicitation has a subcontracting set-aside requirement, the vendor <u>must</u> consult the Division of Revenue & Enterprise Services  New Jersey Selective Assistance Vendor Information database at <a href="https://www20.state.nj.us/TYTR_SAVI/vendorSearch.jsp">https://www20.state.nj.us/TYTR_SAVI/vendorSearch.jsp</a> for information regarding registered small businesses and/or disabled veteran businesses.			
	SOURCE DISCLOSURE FORM Not applicable to this Request for Proposal			
	EO 271 CERTIFICATION Not applicable to this Request for Proposal			
	CONFIDENTIALITY AND COMMITTEMENT TO DEFEND			

	PROCUREMENT SPECIFIC FORMS, REGISTRATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS THAT MUST BE SUBMITTED BY THE BIDDER, BUT ARE <u>NOT</u> INCLUDED IN THIS PACKET
REQUIRED	
	STATE PRICE SHEET

	STANDARD PROCUREMENT FORMS, REGISTRATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS THAT MUST BE SUBMITTED BY THE BIDDER PRIOR TO AWARD, BUT ARE <u>NOT</u> INCLUDED IN THIS PACKET
REQUIRED	
	TWO-YEAR CHAPTER 51/EXECUTIVE ORDER 117 VENDOR CERTIFICATION AND DISCLOSURE OF POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS
	PROOF OF BUSINESS REGISTRATION You may register your business HERE or obtain a copy of the Business Registration Certificate HERE.
	CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE / ACORD
	PROOF OF AFFIRMATIVE ACTION COMPLIANCE Submit one of the following:
	NEW JERSEY CERTIFICATE OF EMPLOYEE INFORMATION REPORT
	<ul> <li>FEDERAL LETTER OF APPROVAL VERIFYING A FEDERALLY APPROVED OR SANCTIONED AFFIRMATIVE ACTION PROGRAM (Dated within 1 year of the Quote submission)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>AFFIRMATIVE ACTION EMPLOYEE INFORMATION REPORT (FORM AA302)</li> </ul>

#### **OWNERSHIP DISCLOSURE FORM**



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#### **DISCLOSURE OF INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES IN IRAN FORM**



Print Name and Title

STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF STATE- DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATION
33 WEST STATE STREET, P.O. BOX 459 TRENTON, NEW JERSEY 08625-0459

BID SOLICITATION # AND TITLE:	
VENDOR NAME:	
a contract must certify that neither the person nor entity, nor any of its parents, sul 25 List as a person or entity engaged in investment activities <a href="https://www.state.nj.us/treasury/purchase/pdf/Chapter25List.pdf">https://www.state.nj.us/treasury/purchase/pdf/Chapter25List.pdf</a> . Vendors/Bidde Division of Purchase and Property finds a person or entity to be in violation of the	person or entity that submits a bid or proposal or otherwise proposes to enter into or renew obsidiaries, or affiliates, is identified on the New Jersey Department of the Treasury's Chapter in Iran. The Chapter 25 list is found on the Division's website at ers must review this list prior to completing the below certification. If the Director of the ne law, s/he shall take action as may be appropriate and provided by law, rule or contract, damages, declaring the party in default and seeking debarment or suspension of the party.
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Signature	Date

#### DISCLOSURE OF INVESTIGATIONS AND OTHER ACTIONS INVOLVING THE VENDOR FORM



Print Name and Title

STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF STATE - DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATION
33 WEST STATE STREET, P.O. BOX 459 TRENTON, NEW JERSEY 08625-0459

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#### **MACBRIDE PRINCIPLES FORM**

# STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF STATE- DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATION 33 WEST STATE STREET, P.O. BOX 459 TRENTON, NEW JERSEY 08625-0459

BID SOLICITATION # AND TITLE:	
VENDOR NAME:	
Act of 1989. Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:34-12, Vendor/Bidder must complete tindicated. If a Vendor/Bidder that would otherwise be awarded a purchase, or in accordance with applicable law and rules, that it is in the best interest of the completed the certification and has submitted a bid within five (5) percent	It to provide a certification in compliance with the MacBride Principles and Northern Ireland the certification below by checking one of the two options listed below and signing where contract or agreement does not complete the certification, then the Director may determine the State to award the purchase, contract or agreement to another Vendor/Bidder that has of the most advantageous bid. If the Director finds contractors to be in violation of the y be appropriate and provided by law, rule or contract, including but not limited to, imposing default and seeking debarment or suspension of the party.
I, the undersigned, on behalf the Vendor/Bidder, certify pursuant to N.J.S.A.	52:34-12.2 that:
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The Vendor/Bidder has no business operations in Northern Irelan	nd; or
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principles of nondiscrimination in employment as set forth in sec	ct any business operations it has in Northern Ireland in accordance with the MacBride ction 2 of P.L. 1987, c. 177 (N.J.S.A. 52:18A-89.5) and in conformance with the United permit independent monitoring of its compliance with those principles.
I, the undersigned, certify that I am authorized to execute this certification on beh knowledge are true and complete. I acknowledge that the State of New Jersey is a from the date of this certification through the completion of any contract(s) with the	ERTIFICATION  nalf of the Vendor, that the foregoing information and any attachments hereto, to the best of m relying on the information contained herein, and that the Vendor is under a continuing obligation a State to notify the State in writing of any changes to the information contained herein; that I an in this certification. If I do so, I may be subject to criminal prosecution under the law, and it witto declare any contract(s) resulting from this certification void and unenforceable.
Signature	Date
Print Name and Title	

#### CONFIDENTIALITY AND COMMITMENT TO DEFEND



STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF STATE - DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATION
33 WEST STATE STREET, P.O. BOX 459 TRENTON, NEW JERSEY 08625-0459

#### **BID SOLICITATION # & TITLE:**

The Bid Solicitation advises Bidders (hereinafter "Company") that the submitted "Quotes can be released to the public pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:12-1.2(b) and (c), or under the New Jersey Open Public Records Act (OPRA), N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1.1 et seq., or the common law right to know." In the event that the Division receives a request for documents related to above referenced Bid Solicitation, in accordance with its statutory obligations under the New Jersey Open Public Records Act and/or the common law right to know, it is the Division's intent to fulfill the request for records which may include a copy of the Company's Quote.

If Company objects to the disclosure of any portions of the Quote, the Company must advise the Division and must attach a detailed statement clearly identifying those sections of the Quote that Company claims are exempt from disclosure. In requesting any exemption, Company must identify the specific statutory or other legal justification for each requested exemption and the factual basis that supports said exemption. In addition, if Company requests any exemption to disclosure of the Quote based upon claims of confidential/proprietary information and trade secrets (setting forth the nature of the formula, process, pattern, device or compilation), in accordance with *Ingersoll-Rand Co. v. Ciavatta*, 110 N.J. 609 (1988), Company must also indicate the following with respect to the requested exemption:

- (1) the extent to which the information is known outside the owner's business;
- (2) the extent to which it is known by employees and others involved with your business;
- (3) the extent of the measures taken by your firm to guard the secrecy of the information;
- (4) the value of the information to your firm and your competitors:
- (5) the amount of effort or money expended by your firm in developing the information; and
- (6) the ease or difficulty with which the information could be properly acquired or duplicated by others.

Further, if the Quote includes any copyright notices, within five business days, the Division will be permitted to release a copy of the Quote document(s) unless Company serves the Division with an order from a court of competent jurisdiction precluding such release.

The State reserves the right to make the final determination as to what is and is not subject to public disclosure under OPRA and/or the common law right to know, and will advise the Company accordingly. Please note that the State will not honor any claim of confidential, proprietary, trade secret, and/or copyright material that is not supported by a specific statutory or legal justification provided by the Company. The State will not honor any attempts by the Company to designate the entire Quote as proprietary, confidential and/or to claim copyright protection for its entire Quote.

Accordingly, in order to assist the Division with the fulfillment of potential document requests, please select one of the following:

The Company's Quote <u>does not include</u> any confidential, proprietary and/or trade secrets; and therefore, the Company does not request any redactions be made prior to the release of the documents.

#### OR

The Company's Quote <u>does include</u> confidential, proprietary and/or trade secrets; and therefore, the Company requests that certain portions of the Quote be redacted prior to the release of the documents.

The requested redactions are set forth in the attached statement which specifically identifies the portions of the Quote by section, page number, paragraph and or line; and identifies the specific statutory or other legal reason for each requested exemption.

In the event of any challenge to the Company's assertion of confidential/proprietary information, the Company shall be solely responsible for defending its designation. Company agrees that it shall defend and cooperate in the defense of an action against the State of New Jersey arising from or related to the non-disclosure, due to the Company's request, of documents submitted to the State of New Jersey, and relating to a Quote submitted by the Company in response to the above referenced Bid Solicitation, which was the subject of a request for government records under the New Jersey Open Public Records Act, N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1 et seq. ("OPRA"), or the common law right to know. The Company further agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the State against any judgments, costs, or attorneys' fees assessed against the State in connection with any action arising from, or related to, the non-disclosure, due to the Company's request, of documents submitted to the State, which are the subject of a request for government records under OPRA.

The Company makes the forgoing agreement with the understanding that the State may immediately disclose any documents withheld without further notice if the Company ceases to cooperate in the defense of an action against the State arising from or related to the above described non-disclosure due to the Company's request, and will disclose such documents withheld if so ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction.

The undersigned certifies that s/he is duly authorized to make this	s commitment on behalf of the Company.	
Company Name		
Signature	Date	
Print Name and Title		

DESCRIPTION OF VENDOR REQUESTED QUOTE REDACTIONS*					
Quote Section, Form or Document	Page Number	Paragraph and/or line	Description of item to be redacted	Statutory or other legal reason for each requested exemption	

<sup>\*</sup> Home address and/or unlisted telephone/cell phone numbers must be listed on this form if they are to be redacted.



### **State of New Jersey Standard Terms and Conditions**

(Revised December 13, 2021)

STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY - DIVISION OF PURCHASE AND PROPERTY
33 WEST STATE STREET, P.O. BOX 230 TRENTON, NEW JERSEY 08625-0230

#### 1.0 STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS APPLICABLE TO THE CONTRACT

The following terms and conditions shall apply to all contracts or purchase agreements made with the State of New Jersey. The State's terms and conditions shall prevail over any conflicts set forth in a Contractor's Quote or Proposal.

#### 2.0 STATE LAW REQUIRING MANDATORY COMPLIANCE BY ALL CONTRACTORS

The statutes, laws, regulations or codes cited herein are available for review at the New Jersey State Library, 185 West State Street, Trenton, New Jersey 08625.

#### 2.1 BUSINESS REGISTRATION

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:32-44, the State is prohibited from entering into a contract with an entity unless the Contractor and each subcontractor named in the proposal have a valid Business Registration Certificate on file with the Division of Revenue and Enterprise Services. A subcontractor named in a bid or other proposal shall provide a copy of its business registration to the Contractor who shall provide it to the State.

The contractor shall maintain and submit to the State a list of subcontractors and their addresses that may be updated from time to time with the prior written consent of the Director during the course of contract performance. The contractor shall submit to the State a complete and accurate list of all subcontractors used and their addresses before final payment is made under the contract.

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 54:49-4.1, a business organization that fails to provide a copy of a business registration, or that provides false business registration information, shall be liable for a penalty of \$25 for each day of violation, not to exceed \$50,000 for each business registration copy not properly provided under a contract with a contracting agency.

The contractor and any subcontractor providing goods or performing services under the contract, and each of their affiliates, shall, during the term of the contract, collect and remit to the Director of the Division of Taxation in the Department of the Treasury, the Use Tax due pursuant to the "Sales and Use Tax Act, P.L. 1966, c. 30 (N.J.S.A. 54:32B-1 et seq.) on all sales of tangible personal property delivered into the State. Any questions in this regard can be directed to the Division of Revenue at (609) 292-1730. Form NJ-REG can be filed online at <a href="http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/revenue/busregcert.shtml">http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/revenue/busregcert.shtml</a>.

#### 2.2 OWNERSHIP DISCLOSURE

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:25-24.2, in the event the Contractor is a corporation, partnership or limited liability company, the Contractor must complete an Ownership Disclosure Form.

A current completed Ownership Disclosure Form must be received prior to or accompany the submitted Quote. A Contractor's failure to submit the completed and signed form prior to or with its Quote will result in the Contractor being ineligible for a Contract award, unless the Division has on file a signed and accurate Ownership Disclosure Form dated and received no more than six (6) months prior to the Quote submission deadline for this procurement. If any ownership change has occurred within the last six (6) months, a new Ownership Disclosure Form must be completed, signed and submitted with the Quote.

In the alternative, a Contractor with any direct or indirect parent entity which is publicly traded may submit the name and address of each publicly traded entity and the name and address of each person that holds a 10 percent or greater beneficial interest in the publicly traded entity as of the last annual filing with the federal Securities and Exchange Commission or the foreign equivalent, and, if there is any person that holds a 10 percent or greater beneficial interest, also shall submit links to the websites containing the last annual filings with the federal Securities and Exchange Commission or the foreign equivalent and the relevant page numbers of the filings that contain the information on each person that holds a 10 percent or greater beneficial interest. N.J.S.A. 52:25-24.2.

#### 2.3 DISCLOSURE OF INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES IN IRAN

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:32-58, the Contractor must utilize this Disclosure of Investment Activities in Iran form to certify that neither the Contractor, nor one (1) of its parents, subsidiaries, and/or affiliates (as defined in N.J.S.A. 52:32-56(e)(3)), is listed on the Department of the Treasury's List of Persons or Entities Engaging in Prohibited Investment Activities in Iran and that neither the Contractor, nor one (1) of its parents, subsidiaries, and/or affiliates, is involved in any of the investment activities set forth in N.J.S.A. 52:32-56(f). If the Contractor is unable to so certify, the Contractor shall provide a detailed and precise description of such activities as directed on the form. A Contractor's failure to submit the completed and signed form will preclude the award of a Contract to said Contractor.

#### 2.4 ANTI-DISCRIMINATION

All parties to any contract with the State agree not to discriminate in employment and agree to abide by all anti-discrimination laws including those contained within N.J.S.A. 10:2-1 through N.J.S.A. 10:2-4, N.J.S.A. 10:5-1 et seq. and N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 through 10:5-38, and all rules and regulations issued thereunder are hereby incorporated by reference. The agreement to abide by the provisions of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 through 10:5-38 include those provisions indicated for Goods, Professional Service and General Service Contracts (Exhibit A, attached) and Constructions

Contracts (Exhibit B and Exhibit C - Executive Order 151 Requirements) as appropriate.

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, agrees to comply with any regulations promulgated by the Treasurer pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., as amended and supplemented from time to time.

#### 2.5 AFFIRMATIVE ACTION

In accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:27-1.1, prior to award, the Contractor and subcontractor must submit a copy of a New Jersey Certificate of Employee Information Report, or a copy of Federal Letter of Approval verifying it is operating under a federally approved or sanctioned Affirmative Action program. Contractors or subcontractors not in possession of either a New Jersey Certificate of Employee Information Report or a Federal Letter of Approval must complete the Affirmative Action Employee Information Report (AA-302) located on the web at <a href="https://www.state.nj.us/treasury/contract\_compliance/">https://www.state.nj.us/treasury/contract\_compliance/</a>.

#### 2.6 AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT

The contractor must comply with all provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), P.L 101-336, in accordance with 42 U.S.C. 12101, et seq.

#### 2.7 MACBRIDE PRINCIPLES

The Contractor must certify pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:34-12.2 that it either has no ongoing business activities in Northern Ireland and does not maintain a physical presence therein or that it will take lawful steps in good faith to conduct any business operations it has in Northern Ireland in accordance with the MacBride principles of nondiscrimination in employment as set forth in N.J.S.A. 52:18A-89.5 and in conformance with the United Kingdom's Fair Employment (Northern Ireland) Act of 1989, and permit independent monitoring of their compliance with those principles.

#### 2.8 PAY TO PLAY PROHIBITIONS

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.13 et seq. (P.L. 2005, c. 51), The State shall not enter into a Contract to procure services or any material, supplies or equipment, or to acquire, sell, or lease any land or building from any Business Entity, where the value of the transaction exceeds \$17,500, if that Business Entity has solicited or made any contribution of money, or pledge of contribution, including in-kind contributions, to a candidate committee and/or election fund of any candidate for or holder of the public office of Governor or Lieutenant Governor, to any State, county, municipal political party committee, or to any legislative leadership committee during certain specified time periods. It shall be a breach of the terms of the contract for the business entity to:

- A. Make or solicit a contribution in violation of the statute:
- B. Knowingly conceal or misrepresent a contribution given or received;
- C. Make or solicit contributions through intermediaries for the purpose of concealing or misrepresenting the source of the contribution:
- D. Make or solicit any contribution on the condition or with the agreement that it will be contributed to a campaign committee or any candidate of holder of the public office of Governor or Lieutenant Governor, or to any State or county party committee;
- E. Engage or employ a lobbyist or consultant with the intent or understanding that such lobbyist or consultant would make or solicit any contribution, which if made or solicited by the business entity itself, would subject that entity to the restrictions of the Legislation;
- F. Fund contributions made by third parties, including consultants, attorneys, family members, and employees;
- G. Engage in any exchange of contributions to circumvent the intent of the Legislation; or
- H. Directly or indirectly through or by any other person or means, do any act which would subject that entity to the restrictions of the Legislation.

Prior to awarding any Contract or agreement to any Business Entity, the Business Entity proposed as the intended Contractor of the Contract shall submit the Two-Year Chapter 51/Executive Order 117 Vendor Certification and Disclosure of Political Contributions form, certifying that no contributions prohibited by either Chapter 51 or Executive Order No. 117 have been made by the Business Entity and reporting all qualifying contributions made by the Business Entity or any person or entity whose contributions are attributable to the Business Entity. The required form and instructions, available for review on the Division's website at <a href="http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/purchase/forms/eo134/Chapter51.pdf">http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/purchase/forms/eo134/Chapter51.pdf</a>, shall be provided to the intended Contractor for completion and submission to the Division with the Notice of Intent to Award. Upon receipt of a Notice of Intent to Award a Contract, the intended Contractor shall submit to the Division, in care of the Division Procurement Specialist, the Certification and Disclosure(s) within five (5) business days of the State's request. The Certification and Disclosure(s) may be executed electronically by typing the name of the authorized signatory in the "Signature" block as an alternative to downloading, physically signing the form, scanning the form, and uploading the form. Failure to submit the required forms will preclude award of a Contract under this Bid Solicitation, as well as future Contract opportunities; and

Further, the Contractor is required, on a continuing basis, to report any contributions it makes during the term of the Contract, and any extension(s) thereof, at the time any such contribution is made. The required form and instructions, available for review on the Division's website at <a href="http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/purchase/forms/eo134/Chapter51.pdf">http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/purchase/forms/eo134/Chapter51.pdf</a>, shall be provided to the intended Contractor with the Notice of Intent to Award.

#### 2.9 POLITICAL CONTRIBUTION DISCLOSURE

The contractor is advised of its responsibility to file an annual disclosure statement on political contributions with the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission (ELEC), pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.27 (P.L. 2005, c. 271, §3 as amended) if in a calendar year the contractor

receives one (1) or more contracts valued at \$50,000.00 or more. It is the contractor's responsibility to determine if filing is necessary. Failure to file can result in the imposition of penalties by ELEC. Additional information about this requirement is available from ELEC by calling 1(888)313-3532 or on the internet at http://www.elec.state.nj.us/.

#### 2.10 STANDARDS PROHIBITING CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

The following prohibitions on contractor activities shall apply to all contracts or purchase agreements made with the State of New Jersey, pursuant to Executive Order No. 189 (1988).

- A. No vendor shall pay, offer to pay, or agree to pay, either directly or indirectly, any fee, commission, compensation, gift, gratuity, or other thing of value of any kind to any State officer or employee or special State officer or employee, as defined by N.J.S.A. 52:13D-13b. and e., in the Department of the Treasury or any other agency with which such vendor transacts or offers or proposes to transact business, or to any member of the immediate family, as defined by N.J.S.A. 52:13D-13i., of any such officer or employee, or partnership, firm or corporation with which they are employed or associated, or in which such officer or employee has an interest within the meaning of N.J.S.A. 52:13D-13g;
- B. The solicitation of any fee, commission, compensation, gift, gratuity or other thing of value by any State officer or employee or special State officer or employee from any State vendor shall be reported in writing forthwith by the vendor to the New Jersey Office of the Attorney General and the Executive Commission on Ethical Standards, now known as the State Ethics Commission;
- C. No vendor may, directly or indirectly, undertake any private business, commercial or entrepreneurial relationship with, whether or not pursuant to employment, contract or other agreement, express or implied, or sell any interest in such vendor to, any State officer or employee or special State officer or employee having any duties or responsibilities in connection with the purchase, acquisition or sale of any property or services by or to any State agency or any instrumentality thereof, or with any person, firm or entity with which he/she is employed or associated or in which he/she has an interest within the meaning of N.J.S.A. 52:13D-13g. Any relationships subject to this provision shall be reported in writing forthwith to the Executive Commission on Ethical Standards, now known as the State Ethics Commission, which may grant a waiver of this restriction upon application of the State officer or employee or special State officer or employee upon a finding that the present or proposed relationship does not present the potential, actuality or appearance of a conflict of interest:
- D. No vendor shall influence, or attempt to influence or cause to be influenced, any State officer or employee or special State officer or employee in his/her official capacity in any manner which might tend to impair the objectivity or independence of judgment of said officer or employee;
- E. No vendor shall cause or influence, or attempt to cause or influence, any State officer or employee or special State officer or employee to use, or attempt to use, his/her official position to secure unwarranted privileges or advantages for the vendor or any other person; and
- F. The provisions cited above in paragraphs 2.8A through 2.8E shall not be construed to prohibit a State officer or employee or Special State officer or employee from receiving gifts from or contracting with vendors under the same terms and conditions as are offered or made available to members of the general public subject to any guidelines the Executive Commission on Ethical Standards, now known as the State Ethics Commission may promulgate under paragraph 3c of Executive Order No. 189.

#### 2.11 NEW JERSEY BUSINESS ETHICS GUIDE CERTIFICATION

The Treasurer has established a business ethics guide to be followed by a Contractor in dealings with the State. The guide can be found at: <a href="https://www.nj.gov/treasury/purchase/pdf/BusinessEthicsGuide.pdf">https://www.nj.gov/treasury/purchase/pdf/BusinessEthicsGuide.pdf</a>.

#### 2.12 NOTICE TO ALL CONTRACTORS SET-OFF FOR STATE TAX NOTICE

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 54:49-19, effective January 1, 1996, and notwithstanding any provision of the law to the contrary, whenever any taxpayer, partnership or S corporation under contract to provide goods or services or construction projects to the State of New Jersey or its agencies or instrumentalities, including the legislative and judicial branches of State government, is entitled to payment for those goods or services at the same time a taxpayer, partner or shareholder of that entity is indebted for any State tax, the Director of the Division of Taxation shall seek to set off that taxpayer's or shareholder's share of the payment due the taxpayer, partnership, or S corporation. The amount set off shall not allow for the deduction of any expenses or other deductions which might be attributable to the taxpayer, partner or shareholder subject to set-off under this act.

The Director of the Division of Taxation shall give notice to the set-off to the taxpayer and provide an opportunity for a hearing within 30 days of such notice under the procedures for protests established under R.S. 54:49-18. No requests for conference, protest, or subsequent appeal to the Tax Court from any protest under this section shall stay the collection of the indebtedness. Interest that may be payable by the State, pursuant to P.L. 1987, c.184 (c.52:32-32 et seq.), to the taxpayer shall be stayed.

#### 2.13 COMPLIANCE - LAWS

The contractor must comply with all local, State and Federal laws, rules and regulations applicable to this contract and to the goods delivered and/or services performed hereunder.

#### 2.14 COMPLIANCE - STATE LAWS

It is agreed and understood that any contracts and/or orders placed as a result of [this proposal] shall be governed and construed and the rights and obligations of the parties hereto shall be determined in accordance with the laws of the State of New Jersey.

#### 2.15 WARRANTY OF NO SOLICITATION ON COMMISSION OR CONTINGENT FEE BASIS

The contractor warrants that no person or selling agency has been employed or retained to solicit or secure the contract upon an agreement or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage or contingent fee, except bona fide employees or bona fide established commercial or selling agencies maintained by the contractor for the purpose of securing business. If a breach or violation of this section occurs, the State shall have the right to terminate the contract without liability or in its discretion to deduct from the contract price or consideration the full amount of such commission, percentage, brokerage or contingent fee.

#### 2.16 DISCLOSURE OF INVESTIGATIONS AND OTHER ACTIONS

The Contractor should submit the Disclosure of Investigations and Other Actions Form which provides a detailed description of any investigation, litigation, including administrative complaints or other administrative proceedings, involving any public sector clients during the past five (5) years, including the nature and status of the investigation, and, for any litigation, the caption of the action, a brief description of the action, the date of inception, current status, and, if applicable, disposition. If a Contractor does not submit the form with the Quote, the Contractor must comply within seven (7) business days of the State's request or the State may deem the Quote non-responsive.

## 3.0 STATE LAW REQUIRING MANDATORY COMPLIANCE BY CONTRACTORS UNDER CIRCUMSTANCES SET FORTH IN LAW OR BASED ON THE TYPE OF CONTRACT

#### 3.1 COMPLIANCE - CODES

The contractor must comply with New Jersey Uniform Construction Code and the latest National Electrical Code 70®, B.O.C.A. Basic Building code, Occupational Safety and Health Administration and all applicable codes for this requirement. The contractor shall be responsible for securing and paying all necessary permits, where applicable.

#### 3.2 PREVAILING WAGE ACT

The New Jersey Prevailing Wage Act, N.J.S.A. 34: 11-56.25 et seq. is hereby made part of every contract entered into on behalf of the State of New Jersey through the Division of Purchase and Property, except those contracts which are not within the contemplation of the Act. The Contractor's signature on [the proposal] is his/her guarantee that neither he/she nor any subcontractors he/she might employ to perform the work covered by [the proposal] has been suspended or debarred by the Commissioner, Department of Labor and Workforce Development for violation of the provisions of the Prevailing Wage Act and/or the Public Works Contractor Registration Acts; the Contractor's signature on the proposal is also his/her guarantee that he/she and any subcontractors he/she might employ to perform the work covered by [the proposal] shall comply with the provisions of the Prevailing Wage and Public Works Contractor Registration Acts, where required.

#### 3.3 PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTOR REGISTRATION ACT

The New Jersey Public Works Contractor Registration Act requires all contractors, subcontractors and lower tier subcontractor(s) who engage in any contract for public work as defined in N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.26 be first registered with the New Jersey Department of Labor and Workforce Development pursuant to N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.51. Any questions regarding the registration process should be directed to the Division of Wage and Hour Compliance.

#### 3.4 PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACT - ADDITIONAL AFFIRMATIVE ACTION REQUIREMENTS

N.J.S.A. 10:2-1 requires that during the performance of this contract, the contractor must agree as follows:

- A. In the hiring of persons for the performance of work under this contract or any subcontract hereunder, or for the procurement, manufacture, assembling or furnishing of any such materials, equipment, supplies or services to be acquired under this contract, no contractor, nor any person acting on behalf of such contractor or subcontractor, shall, by reason of race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, gender identity or expression, affectional or sexual orientation or sex, discriminate against any person who is qualified and available to perform the work to which the employment relates;
- B. No contractor, subcontractor, nor any person on his/her behalf shall, in any manner, discriminate against or intimidate any employee engaged in the performance of work under this contract or any subcontract hereunder, or engaged in the procurement, manufacture, assembling or furnishing of any such materials, equipment, supplies or services to be acquired under such contract, on account of race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, gender identity or expression, affectional or sexual orientation or sex;
- C. There may be deducted from the amount payable to the contractor by the contracting public agency, under this contract, a penalty of \$50.00 for each person for each calendar day during which such person is discriminated against or intimidated in violation of the provisions of the contract; and
- D. This contract may be canceled or terminated by the contracting public agency, and all money due or to become due hereunder may be forfeited, for any violation of this section of the contract occurring after notice to the contractor from the contracting public agency of any prior violation of this section of the contract.

#### N.J.S.A. 10:5-33 and N.J.A.C. 17:27-3.5 require that during the performance of this contract, the contractor must agree as follows:

A. The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex. Except with respect to affectional or sexual orientation and gender identity or expression, the contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that such applicants are recruited and employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following: employment, upgrading, demotion,

or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the contracting officer setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause;

- B. The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex;
- C. The contractor or subcontractor where applicable, will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which it has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice, to be provided by the agency contracting officer, advising the labor union or workers' representative of the contractor's commitments under this act and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment, N.J.A.C. 17:27-3.7 requires all contractors and subcontractors, if any, to further agree as follows:
  - 1. The contractor or subcontractor agrees to make good faith efforts to meet targeted county employment goals established in accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:27-5.2;
  - The contractor or subcontractor agrees to inform in writing its appropriate recruitment agencies including, but not limited to, employment agencies, placement bureaus, colleges, universities, and labor unions, that it does not discriminate on the basis of age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex, and that it will discontinue the use of any recruitment agency which engages in direct or indirect discriminatory practices;
  - The contractor or subcontractor agrees to revise any of its testing procedures, if necessary, to assure that all personnel testing conforms with the principles of job-related testing, as established by the statutes and court decisions of the State of New Jersey and as established by applicable Federal law and applicable Federal court decisions; and
  - 4. In conforming with the targeted employment goals, the contractor or subcontractor agrees to review all procedures relating to transfer, upgrading, downgrading and layoff to ensure that all such actions are taken without regard to age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex, consistent with the statutes and court decisions of the State of New Jersey, and applicable Federal law and applicable Federal court decisions.

#### 3.5 BUILDING SERVICE

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.58 <u>et seq.</u>, in any contract for building services, as defined in N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.59, the employees of the contractor or subcontractors shall be paid prevailing wage for building services rates, as defined in N.J.S.A. 34:11.56.59. The prevailing wage shall be adjusted annually during the term of the contract.

#### 3.6 THE WORKER AND COMMUNITY RIGHT TO KNOW ACT

The provisions of N.J.S.A. 34:5A-1 <u>et seq.</u> which require the labeling of all containers of hazardous substances are applicable to this contract. Therefore, all goods offered for purchase to the State must be labeled by the contractor in compliance with the provisions of the statute.

#### 3.7 SERVICE PERFORMANCE WITHIN U.S.

Under N.J.S.A. 52:34-13.2, all contracts primarily for services awarded by the Director shall be performed within the United States, except when the Director certifies in writing a finding that a required service cannot be provided by a contractor or subcontractor within the United States and the certification is approved by the State Treasurer.

A shift to performance of services outside the United States during the term of the contract shall be deemed a breach of contract. If, during the term of the contract, the contractor or subcontractor, proceeds to shift the performance of any of the services outside the United States, the contractor shall be deemed to be in breach of its contract, which contract shall be subject to termination for cause pursuant to Section 5.7(b) (1) of the Standard Terms and Conditions, unless previously approved by the Director and the Treasurer.

#### 3.8 BUY AMERICAN

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:32-1, if manufactured items or farm products will be provided under this contract to be used in a public work, they shall be manufactured or produced in the United States, whenever available, and the contractor shall be required to so certify.

#### 3.9 DOMESTIC MATERIALS

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:33-2 et seq., if the contract is for the construction, alteration or repair of any public work, the contractor and all subcontractors shall use only domestic materials in the performance of the work unless otherwise noted in the specifications.

#### 3.10 DIANE B. ALLEN EQUAL PAY ACT

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.14 and N.J.A.C. 12:10-1.1 et seq., a contractor performing "qualifying services" or "public work" to the State or any agency or instrumentality of the State shall provide the Commissioner of Labor and Workforce Development a report regarding the compensation and hours worked by employees categorized by gender, race, ethnicity, and job category. For more information and report templates see <a href="https://nj.gov/labor/equalpay/equalpay/html">https://nj.gov/labor/equalpay/equalpay/html</a>.

#### 3.11 EMPLOYEE MISCLASSIFICATION

In accordance with <u>Governor Murphy's Executive Order #25</u> and the <u>Task Force's July 2019 Report</u>, employers are required to properly classify their employees. Workers are presumed to be employees and not independent contractors, unless the employer can demonstrate all three factors of the "ABC Test" below:

- A. Such individual has been and will continue to be free from control or direction of the performance of such service, but under his or her contract of service and in fact; and
- B. Such service is either outside the usual course of business for which such service is performed, or that such service is performed outside of all places of business of the enterprise for which such service is performed; and
- C. Such individual is customarily engaged in an independently established trade, occupation, profession or business.

This test has been adopted by New Jersey under its Wage & Hour, Wage Payment and Unemployment Insurance Laws to determine whether a worker is properly classified. Under N.J.S.A. 34:1A-1.17-1.19, the Department of Labor and Workforce Development has the authority to investigate potential violations of these laws and issue penalties and stop work order to employers found to be in violation of the laws.

#### 3.12 EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 271 (MURPHY)

Pursuant to Governor Murphy's Executive Order No. 271 (EO 271) which was signed and went into effect on October 20, 2021, a covered contractor, must certify that it has a policy in place:

- (1) that requires all covered workers to provide adequate proof, in accordance with EO 271, to the covered contractor that the covered worker has been fully vaccinated; or
- (2) that requires that unvaccinated covered workers submit to COVID-19 screening testing at minimum one to two times weekly until such time as the covered worker is fully vaccinated; and
- (3) that the covered contractor has a policy for tracking COVID-19 screening test results as required by EO 271 and must report the results to local public health departments.

The requirements of EO 271 apply to all covered contractors and subcontractors, at any tier, providing services, construction, demolition, remediation, removal of hazardous substances, alteration, custom fabrication, repair work, or maintenance work, or a leasehold interest in real property through which covered workers have access to State property.

These requirements shall automatically expire when EO 271 is rescinded.

#### 4.0 INDEMNIFICATION AND INSURANCE

#### 4.1 INDEMNIFICATION

The contractor's liability to the State and its employees in third party suits shall be as follows:

- A. Indemnification for Third Party Claims The contractor shall assume all risk of and responsibility for, and agrees to indemnify, defend, and save harmless the State of New Jersey and its employees from and against any and all claims, demands, suits, actions, recoveries, judgments and costs and expenses in connection therewith which shall arise from or result directly or indirectly from the work and/or materials supplied under this contract, including liability of any nature or kind for or on account of the use of any copyrighted or uncopyrighted composition, secret process, patented or unpatented invention, article or appliance furnished or used in the performance of this contract;
- B. The contractor's indemnification and liability under subsection (A) is not limited by, but is in addition to the insurance obligations contained in Section 4.2 of these Terms and Conditions; and
- C. In the event of a patent and copyright claim or suit, the contractor, at its option, may: (1) procure for the State of New Jersey the legal right to continue the use of the product; (2) replace or modify the product to provide a non-infringing product that is the functional equivalent; or (3) refund the purchase price less a reasonable allowance for use that is agreed to by both parties.

#### 4.2 INSURANCE

The contractor shall secure and maintain in force for the term of the contract insurance as provided herein. All required insurance shall be provided by insurance companies with an A-VIII or better rating by A.M. Best & Company. All policies must be endorsed to provide 30 days' written notice of cancellation or material change to the State of New Jersey at the address shown below. If the contractor's insurer cannot provide 30 days written notice, then it will become the obligation of the contractor to provide the same. The contractor shall provide the State with current certificates of insurance for all coverages and renewals thereof. Renewal certificates shall be provided within 30 days of the expiration of the insurance. The contractor shall not begin to provide services orgoods to the State until evidence of the required insurance is provided. The certificates of insurance shall indicate the contract number or purchase order number and title of the contract in the Description of Operations box and shall list the State of New Jersey, Department of the Treasury, Division of Purchase & Property, Contract Compliance & Audit Unit, P.O. Box 236, Trenton, New Jersey 08625 in the Certificate Holder box. The certificates and any notice of cancelation shall be emailed to the State at: <a href="mailto:ccau.certificate@treas.nj.gov">ccau.certificate@treas.nj.gov</a>

The insurance to be provided by the contractor shall be as follows:

A. Occurrence Form Commercial General Liability Insurance or its equivalent: The minimum limit of liability shall be \$1,000,000 per occurrence as a combined single limit for bodily injury and property damage. The above required Commercial General Liability Insurance policy or its equivalent shall name the State, its officers, and employees as "Additional Insureds" and include the blanket additional insured endorsement or its equivalent. The coverage to be provided under these policies shall be at least as broad as that provided by the standard basic Commercial General Liability Insurance occurrence coverage forms or its equivalent currently in use in the State of New

Jersey, which shall not be circumscribed by any endorsement limiting the breadth of coverage:

- B. Automobile Liability Insurance which shall be written to cover any automobile used by the insured. Limits of liability for bodily injury and property damage shall not be less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence as a combined single limit. The State must be named as an "Additional Insured" and a blanket additional insured endorsement or its equivalent must be provided when the services being procured involve vehicle use on the State's behalf or on State controlled property;
- C. Worker's Compensation Insurance applicable to the laws of the State of New Jersey and Employers Liability Insurance with limits not less than:
  - 1. \$1,000,000 BODILY INJURY, EACH OCCURRENCE;
  - 2. \$1,000,000 DISEASE EACH EMPLOYEE; and
  - 3. \$1,000,000 DISEASE AGGREGATE LIMIT.

This \$1,000,000 amount may be raised when deemed necessary by the Director;

In the case of a contract entered into pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:32-17 et seq., (small business set asides) the minimum amount of insurance coverage in subsections A, B, and B. above may be amended for certain commodities when deemed in the best interests of the State by the Director.

#### 5.0 TERMS GOVERNING ALL CONTRACTS

#### 5.1 CONTRACTOR IS INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

The contractor's status shall be that of any independent contractor and not as an employee of the State.

#### 5.2 RESERVED

#### 5.3 CONTRACT TERM AND EXTENSION OPTION

If, in the opinion of the Director, it is in the best interest of the State to extend a contract, the contractor shall be so notified of the Director's Intent at least 30 days prior to the expiration date of the existing contract. The contractor shall have 15 calendar days to respond to the Director's request to extend the term and period of performance of the contract. If the contractor agrees to the extension, all terms and conditions of the original contract shall apply unless more favorable terms for the State have been negotiated.

#### 5.4 STATE'S OPTION TO REDUCE SCOPE OF WORK

The State has the option, in its sole discretion, to reduce the scope of work for any deliverable, task or subtask called for under this contract. In such an event, the Director shall provide to the contractor advance written notice of the change in scope of work and what the Director believes should be the corresponding adjusted contract price. Within five (5) business days of receipt of such written notice, if either is applicable:

- A. If the contractor does not agree with the Director's proposed adjusted contract price, the contractor shall submit to the Director any additional information that the contractor believes impacts the adjusted contract price with a request that the Director reconsider the proposed adjusted contract price. The parties shall negotiate the adjusted contract price. If the parties are unable to agree on an adjusted contract price, the Director shall make a prompt decision taking all such information into account, and shall notify the contractor of the final adjusted contract price; and
- B. If the contractor has undertaken any work effort toward a deliverable, task or subtask that is being changed or eliminated such that it would not be compensated under the adjusted contract, the contractor shall be compensated for such work effort according to the applicable portions of its price schedule and the contractor shall submit to the Director an itemization of the work effort already completed by deliverable, task or subtask within the scope of work, and any additional information the Director may request. The Director shall make a prompt decision taking all such information into account, and shall notify the contractor of the compensation to be paid for such work effort.

Any changes or modifications to the terms of this Contract shall be valid only when they have been reduced to writing and signed by the Contractor and the Director.

#### 5.5 CHANGE IN LAW

If, after award, a change in applicable law or regulation occurs which affects the Contract, the parties may amend the Contract, including pricing, in order to provide equitable relief for the party disadvantaged by the change in law. The parties shall negotiate in good faith, however if agreement is not possible after reasonable efforts, the Director shall make a prompt decision as to an equitable adjustment, taking all relevant information into account, and shall notify the Contractor of the final adjusted contract price.

#### 5.6 SUSPENSION OF WORK

The State may, for valid reason, issue a stop order directing the contractor to suspend work under the contract for a specific time. The contractor shall be paid for goods ordered, goods delivered, or services requested and performed until the effective date of the stop order. The contractor shall resume work upon the date specified in the stop order, or upon such other date as the State Contract Manager may thereafter direct in writing. The period of suspension shall be deemed added to the contractor's approved schedule of performance. The Director shall make an equitable adjustment, if any is

required, to the contract price. The contractor shall provide whatever information that Director may require related to the equitable adjustment.

#### 5.7 TERMINATION OF CONTRACT

A. For Convenience:

Notwithstanding any provision or language in this contract to the contrary, the Directormay terminate this contract at any time, in whole or in part, for the convenience of the State, upon no less than 30 days written notice to the contractor;

- B. For Cause:
  - Where a contractor fails to perform or comply with a contract or a portion thereof, and/or fails to comply with the complaints procedure in N.J.A.C. 17:12-4.2 et seq., the Director may terminate the contract, in whole or in part, upon ten (10) days' notice to the contractor with an opportunity to respond: and
  - 2. Where in the reasonable opinion of the Director, a contractor continues to perform a contract poorly as demonstrated by e.g., formal complaints, late delivery, poor performance of service, short-shipping, so that the Director is required to use the complaints procedure in N.J.A.C. 17:12-4.2 et seq., and there has been a failure on the part of the contractor to make progress towards ameliorating the issue(s) or problem(s) set forth in the complaint, the Director may terminate the contract, in whole or in part, upon ten (10) days' notice to the contractor with an opportunity to respond.
- C. In cases of emergency the Director may shorten the time periods of notification and may dispense with an opportunity to respond; and
- D. In the event of termination under this section, the contractor shall be compensated for work performed in accordance with the contract, up to the date of termination. Such compensation may be subject to adjustments.

#### 5.8 SUBCONTRACTING

The Contractor may not subcontract other than as identified in the contractor's proposal without the prior written consent of the Director. Such consent, if granted in part, shall not relieve the contractor of any of his/her responsibilities under the contract, nor shall it create privity of contract between the State and any subcontractor. If the contractor uses a subcontractor to fulfill any of its obligations, the contractor shall be responsible for the subcontractor's: (a) performance; (b) compliance with all of the terms and conditions of the contract; and (c) compliance with the requirements of all applicable laws. Nothing contained in any of the contract documents, shall be construed as creating any contractual relationship between any subcontractor and the State.

#### 5.9 RESERVED

#### 5.10 MERGERS, ACQUISITIONS AND ASSIGNMENTS

If, during the term of this contract, the contractor shall merge with or be acquired by another firm, the contractor shall give notice to the Director as soon as practicable and in no event longer than 30 days after said merger or acquisition. The contractor shall provide such documents as may be requested by the Director, which may include but need not be limited to the following: corporate resolutions prepared by the awarded contractor and new entity ratifying acceptance of the original contract, terms, conditions and prices; updated information including ownership disclosure and Federal Employer Identification Number. The documents must be submitted within 30 days of the request. Failure to do so may result in termination of the contract for cause.

If, at any time during the term of the contract, the contractor's partnership, limited liability company, limited liability partnership, professional corporation, or corporation shall dissolve, the Director must be so notified. All responsible parties of the dissolved business entity must submit to the Director in writing, the names of the parties proposed to perform the contract, and the names of the parties to whom payment should be made. No payment shall be made until all parties to the dissolved business entity submit the required documents to the Director.

The contractor may not assign its responsibilities under the contract, in whole or in part, without the prior written consent of the Director.

#### 5.11 PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE OF CONTRACTOR

The contractor hereby certifies that:

- A. The equipment offered is standard new equipment, and is the manufacturer's latest model in production, with parts regularly used for the type of equipment offered; that such parts are all in production and not likely to be discontinued; and that no attachment or part has been substituted or applied contrary to manufacturer's recommendations and standard practice;
- B. All equipment supplied to the State and operated by electrical current is UL listed where applicable;
- C. All new machines are to be guaranteed as fully operational for the period stated in the contract from time of written acceptance by the State. The contractor shall render prompt service without charge, regardless of geographic location;
- D. Sufficient quantities of parts necessary for proper service to equipment shall be maintained at distribution points and service headquarters;
- E. Trained mechanics are regularly employed to make necessary repairs to equipment in the territory from which the service request might emanate within a 48-hour period or within the time accepted as industry practice;
- F. During the warranty period the contractor shall replace immediately any material which is rejected for failure to meet the requirements of the contract; and
- G. All services rendered to the State shall be performed in strict and full accordance with the specifications stated in the contract. The contract shall not be considered complete until final approval by the State's using agency is rendered.

#### **5.12 DELIVERY REQUIREMENTS**

- A. Deliveries shall be made at such time and in such quantities as ordered in strict accordance with conditions contained in the contract;
- B. The contractor shall be responsible for the delivery of material in first class condition to the State's using agency or the purchaser under this contract and in accordance with good commercial practice;
- C. Items delivered must be strictly in accordance with the contract; and
- D. In the event delivery of goods or services is not made within the number of days stipulated or under the schedule defined in the contract, the using agency shall be authorized to obtain the material or service from any available source, the difference in price, if any, to be paid by the contractor.

#### 5.13 APPLICABLE LAW AND JURISDICTION

This contract and any and all litigation arising therefrom or related thereto shall be governed by the applicable laws, regulations and rules of evidence of the State of New Jersey without reference to conflict of laws principles and shall be filed in the appropriate Division of the New Jersey Superior Court.

#### **5.14 CONTRACT AMENDMENT**

Except as provided herein, the contract may only be amended by written agreement of the State and the contractor.

#### 5.15 MAINTENANCE OF RECORDS

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:44-2.2, the contractor shall maintain all documentation related to products, transactions or services under this contract for a period of five (5) years from the date of final payment. Such records shall be made available to the New Jersey Office of the State Comptroller upon request.

#### 5.16 ASSIGNMENT OF ANTITRUST CLAIM(S)

The contractor recognizes that in actual economic practice, overcharges resulting from antitrust violations are in fact usually borne by the ultimate purchaser. Therefore, and as consideration for executing this contract, the contractor, acting herein by and through its duly authorized agent, hereby conveys, sells, assigns, and transfers to the State of New Jersey, for itself and on behalfof its political subdivisions and public agencies, all right, title and interest to all claims and causes of action it may now or hereafter acquire under the antitrust laws of the United States or the State of New Jersey, relating to the particular goods and services purchased or acquired by the State of New Jersey or any of its political subdivisions or public agencies pursuant to this contract.

In connection with this assignment, the following are the express obligations of the contractor:

- A. It shall take no action that will in any way diminish the value of the rights conveyed or assigned hereunder;
- B. It shall advise the Attorney General of New Jersey:
  - 1. In advance of its intention to commence any action on its own behalf regarding any such claim or cause(s) of action; and
  - 2. Immediately upon becoming aware of the fact that an action has been commenced on its behalf by some other person(s) of the pendency of such action.
- C. It shall notify the defendants in any antitrust suit of the within assignment at the earliest practicable opportunity after the contractor has initiated an action on its own behalf or becomes aware that such an action has been filed on its behalf by another person. A copy of such notice shall be sent to the Attorney General of New Jersey; and
- D. It is understood and agreed that in the event any payment under any such claim or cause of action is made to the contractor, it shall promptly pay over to the State of New Jersey the allotted share thereof, if any, assigned to the State hereunder.

#### **5.17 NEWS RELEASES**

The Contractor is not permitted to issue news releases pertaining to any aspect of the services being provided under this Contract without the prior written consent of the Director.

#### 5.18 ADVERTISING

The Contractor shall not use the State's name, logos, images, or any data or results arising from this Contract as a part of any commercial advertising without first obtaining the prior written consent of the Director.

#### **5.19 ORGAN DONATION**

As required by N.J.S.A. 52:32-33.1, the State encourages the contractor to disseminate information relative to organ donation and to notify its employees, through information and materials or through an organ and tissue awareness program, of organ donation options. The information provided to employees should be prepared in collaboration with the organ procurement organizations designated pursuant to 42 <u>U.S.C.</u> 1320b-8 to serve in this State.

#### 5.20 LICENSES AND PERMITS

The Contractor shall obtain and maintain in full force and effect all required licenses, permits, and authorizations necessary to perform this Contract. Notwithstanding the requirements of the Bid Solicitation, the Contractor shall supply the State Contract Manager with evidence of all such licenses, permits and authorizations. This evidence shall be submitted subsequent to this Contract award. All costs associated with any such licenses, permits, and authorizations must be considered by the Contractor in its Quote.

#### 5.21 CLAIMS AND REMEDIES

- A. All claims asserted against the State by the Contractor shall be subject to the New Jersey Tort Claims Act, N.J.S.A. 59:1-1, et seq., and/or the New Jersey Contractual Liability Act, N.J.S.A. 59:13-1, et seq.
- B. Nothing in this Contract shall be construed to be a waiver by the State of any warranty, expressed or implied, of any remedy at law or equity, except as specifically and expressly stated in a writing executed by the Director.
- C. In the event that the Contractor fails to comply with any material Contract requirements, the Director may take steps to terminate this Contract in accordance with the SSTC, authorize the delivery of Contract items by any available means, with the difference between the price paid and the defaulting Contractor's price either being deducted from any monies due the defaulting Contractor or being an obligation owed the State by the defaulting Contractor, as provided for in the State administrative code, or take any other action or seek any other remedies available at law or in equity.

#### 5.22 ACCESSIBILITY COMPLIANCE

The Contractor acknowledges that the State may be required to comply with the accessibility standards of Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act, 29 U.S.C. §794. The Contractor agrees that any information that it provides to the State in the form of a Voluntary Product Accessibility Template (VPAT) about the accessibility of the Software is accurate to a commercially reasonable standard and the Contractor agrees to provide the State with technical information available to support such VPAT documentation in the event that the State relied on any of Contractor's VPAT information to comply with the accessibility standards of Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act, 29 U.S.C. §794. In addition, Contractor shall defend any claims against the State that the Software does not meet the accessibility standards set forth in the VPAT provided by Provider in order to comply with the accessibility standards of Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act, 29 U.S.C. §794 and will indemnify the State with regard to any claim made against the State with regard to any judgment or settlement resulting from those claims to the extent the Provider's Software provided under this Contract was not accessible in the same manner as or to the degree set forth in the Contractor's statements or information about accessibility as set forth in the then-current version of an applicable VPAT.

#### **5.23 CONFIDENTIALITY**

- A. The obligations of the State under this provision are subject to the New Jersey Open Public Records Act ("OPRA"), N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1 et seq., the New Jersey common law right to know, and any other lawful document request or subpoena;
- B. By virtue of this Contract, the parties may have access to information that is confidential to one another. The parties agree to disclose to each other only information that is required for the performance of their obligations under this Contract. Contractor's Confidential Information, to the extent not expressly prohibited by law, shall consist of all information clearly identified as confidential at the time of disclosure Vendor Intellectual Property ("Contractor Confidential Information"). Notwithstanding the previous sentence, the terms and pricing of this Contract are subject to disclosure under OPRA, the common law right to know, and any other lawful document request or subpoena;
- C. The State's Confidential Information shall consist of all information or data contained in documents supplied by the State, any information or data gathered by the Contractor in fulfillment of the Contract and any analysis thereof (whether in fulfillment of the Contract or not);
- D. A party's Confidential Information shall not include information that: (a) is or becomes a part of the public domain through no act or omission of the other party, except that if the information is personally identifying to a person or entity regardless of whether it has become part of the public domain through other means, the other party must maintain full efforts under the Contract to keep it confidential; (b) was in the other party's lawful possession prior to the disclosure and had not been obtained by the other party either directly or indirectly from the disclosing party; (c) is lawfully disclosed to the other party by a third party without restriction on the disclosure; or (d) is independently developed by the other party;
- E. The State agrees to hold Contractor's Confidential Information in confidence, using at least the same degree of care used to protect its own Confidential Information;
- F. In the event that the State receives a request for Contractor Confidential Information related to this Contract pursuant to a court order, subpoena, or other operation of law, the State agrees, if permitted by law, to provide Contractor with as much notice, in writing, as is reasonably practicable and the State's intended response to such order of law. Contractor shall take any action it deems appropriate to protect its documents and/or information;
- G. In addition, in the event Contractor receives a request for State Confidential Information pursuant to a court order, subpoena, or other operation of law, Contractor shall, if permitted by law, provide the State with as much notice, in writing, as is reasonably practicable and Contractor's intended response to such order of law. The State shall take any action it deems appropriate to protect its documents and/or information; and
- H. Notwithstanding the requirements of nondisclosure described in this Section, either party may release the other party's Confidential Information:
  - (i) if directed to do so by a court or arbitrator of competent jurisdiction; or
  - (ii) pursuant to a lawfully issued subpoena or other lawful document request:
    - (a) in the case of the State, if the State determines the documents or information are subject to disclosure and Contractor does not exercise its rights as described in Section 5.23(F), or if Contractor is unsuccessful in defending its rights as described in Section 5.23(F); or
    - (b) in the case of Contractor, if Contractor determines the documents or information are subject to disclosure and the State does not exercise its rights described in Section 5.23(G), or if the State is unsuccessful in defending its rights as described in Section 5.23(G).

#### 6.0 TERMS RELATING TO PRICE AND PAYMENT

#### 6.1 PRICE FLUCTUATION DURING CONTRACT

Unless otherwise agreed to in writing by the State, all prices quoted shall be firm through issuance of contract or purchase order and shall not be subject to increase during the period of the contract. In the event of a manufacturer's or contractor's price decrease during the contract period, the State shall receive the full benefit of such price reduction on any undelivered purchase order and on any subsequent order placed during the contract period. The Director must be notified, in writing, of any price reduction within five (5) days of the effective date. Failure to report price reductions may result in cancellation of contract for cause, pursuant to provision 5.7(b)1.

In an exceptional situation the State may consider a price adjustment. Requests for price adjustments must include justification and documentation.

#### **6.2 TAX CHARGES**

The State of New Jersey is exempt from State sales or use taxes and Federal excise taxes. Therefore, price quotations must not include such taxes. The State's Federal Excise Tax Exemption number is 22-75-0050K.

#### 6.3 PAYMENT TO VENDORS

- A. The using agency(ies) is (are) authorized to order and the contractor is authorized to ship only those items covered by the contract resulting from the RFP. If a review of orders placed by the using agency(ies) reveals that goods and/or services other than that covered by the contract have been ordered and delivered, such delivery shall be a violation of the terms of the contract and may be considered by the Director as a basis to terminate the contract and/or not award the contractor a subsequent contract. The Director may take such steps as are necessary to have the items returned by the agency, regardless of the time between the date of delivery and discovery of the violation. In such event, the contractor shall reimburse the State the full purchase price;
- B. The contractor must submit invoices to the using agency with supporting documentation evidencing that work or goods for which payment is sought has been satisfactorily completed or delivered. For commodity contracts, the invoice, together with the Bill of Lading, and/or other documentation to confirm shipment and receipt of contracted goods must be received by the using agency prior to payment. For contracts featuring services, invoices must reference the tasks or subtasks detailed in the Scope of Work and must be in strict accordance with the firm, fixed prices submitted for each task or subtask. When applicable, invoices should reference the appropriate task or subtask or price line number from the contractor's proposal. All invoices must be approved by the State Contract Manager or using agency before payment will be authorized;
- C. In all time and materials contracts, the State Contract Manager or designee shall monitor and approve the hours of work and the work accomplished by contractor and shall document both the work and the approval. Payment shall not be made without such documentation. A form of timekeeping record that should be adapted as appropriate for the Scope of Work being performed can be found at <a href="https://www.nj.gov/treasury/purchase/forms/Vendor Timesheet.xls">www.nj.gov/treasury/purchase/forms/Vendor Timesheet.xls</a>; and
- D. The contractor shall provide, on a monthly and cumulative basis, a breakdown in accordance with the budget submitted, of all monies paid to any small business, minority or woman-owned subcontractor(s). This breakdown shall be sent to the Office of Diversity and Inclusion
- E. The Contractor shall have sole responsibility for all payments due any Subcontractor

#### 6.4 OPTIONAL PAYMENT METHOD: P-CARD

The State offers contractors the opportunity to be paid through the MasterCard procurement card (p-card). A contractor's acceptance and a State agency's use of the p-card are optional. P-card transactions do not require the submission of a contractor invoice; purchasing transactions using the p-card will usually result in payment to a contractor in three (3) days. A contractor should take note that there will be a transaction-processing fee for each p-card transaction. To participate, a contractor must be capable of accepting the MasterCard. Additional information can be obtained from banks or merchant service companies.

#### 6.5 NEW JERSEY PROMPT PAYMENT ACT

The New Jersey Prompt Payment Act, N.J.S.A. 52:32-32 et seq., requires state agencies to pay for goods and services within 60 days of the agency's receipt of a properly executed State Payment Voucher or within 60 days of receipt and acceptance of goods and services, whichever is later. Properly executed performance security, when required, must be received by the State prior to processing any payments for goods and services accepted by state agencies. Interest will be paid on delinquent accounts at a rate established by the State Treasurer. Interest shall not be paid until it exceeds \$5.00 per properly executed invoice. Cash discounts and other payment terms included as part of the original agreement are not affected by the Prompt Payment Act.

#### 6.6 AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

The State's obligation to make payment under this contract is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds and receipt of revenues from which payment for contract purposes can be made. No legal liability on the part of the State for payment of any money shall arise unless and until funds are appropriated each fiscal year to the using agency by the State Legislature and made available through receipt of revenue.

#### 7.0 TERMS RELATING TO ALL CONTRACTS FUNDED, IN WHOLE OR IN PART, BY FEDERAL FUNDS

The provisions set forth in this Section of the Standard Terms and Conditions apply to all contracts funded, in whole or in part, by Federal funds as required by 2 CFR 200.317.

### 7.1 CONTRACTING WITH SMALL AND MINORITY BUSINESSES, WOMEN'S BUSINESS ENTERPRISES, AND LABOR SURPLUS AREA FIRMS

Pursuant to 2 CFR 200.321, the State must take all necessary affirmative steps to assure that minority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms are used when possible. Accordingly, if subawards are to be made the Contractor shall:

- (1) Include qualified small and minority businesses and women's business enterprises on solicitation lists;
- (2) Assure that small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises are solicited whenever they are potential sources;
- (3) Divide total requirements, when economically feasible, into smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises:
- (4) Establish delivery schedules, where the requirement permits, which encourage participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises; and,
- (5) Use the services and assistance, as appropriate, of such organizations as the Small Business Administration and the Minority Business Development Agency of the Department of Commerce.

#### 7.2 DOMESTIC PREFERENCE FOR PROCUREMENTS

Pursuant to 2 CFR 200.322, where appropriate, the State has a preference for the purchase, acquisition, or use of goods, products, or materials produced in the United States (including but not limited to iron, aluminum, steel, cement, and other manufactured products). If subawards are to be made the Contractor shall include a preference for the purchase, acquisition, or use of goods, products, or materials produced in the United States (including but not limited to iron, aluminum, steel, cement, and other manufactured products). For purposes of this section:

- (1) "Produced in the United States" means, for iron and steel products, that all manufacturing processes, from the initial melting stage through the application of coatings, occurred in the United States.
- (2) "Manufactured products" means items and construction materials composed in whole or in part of nonferrous metals such as aluminum; plastics and polymer-based products such as polyvinyl chloride pipe; aggregates such as concrete; glass, including optical fiber; and lumber.

#### 7.3 PROCUREMENT OF RECOVERED MATERIALS

Where applicable, in the performance of contract, pursuant to 2 CFR 200.323, the contractor must comply with section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act. The requirements of Section 6002 include procuring only items designated in guidelines of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) at 40 CFR Part 247 that contain the highest percentage of recovered materials practicable, consistent with maintaining a satisfactory level of competition, where the purchase price of the item exceeds \$10,000 or the value of the quantity acquired during the preceding fiscal year exceeded \$10,000; procuring solid waste management services in a manner that maximizes energy and resource recovery; and establishing an affirmative procurement program for procurement of recovered materials identified in the EPA guidelines.

To the extent that the scope of work or specifications in the contract requires the contractor to provide recovered materials the scope of work or specifications are modified to require that as follows.

- i. In the performance of this contract, the Contractor shall make maximum use of products containing recovered materials that are EPA-designated items unless the product cannot be acquired—
  - 1. Competitively within a timeframe providing for compliance with the contract performance schedule;
  - 2. Meeting contract performance requirements; or
  - 3. At a reasonable price.
- ii. Information about this requirement, along with the list of EPA- designated items, is available at EPA's Comprehensive Procurement Guidelines web site, https://www.epa.gov/smm/comprehensive-procurement-guideline-cpg-program.
- iii. The Contractor also agrees to comply with all other applicable requirements of Section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act."

#### 7.4 EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Except as otherwise provided under 41 CFR Part 60, all contracts that meet the definition of "federally assisted construction contract" in 41 CFR Part 60-1.3 must include the equalopportunity clause provided under 41 CFR 60-1.4(b), in accordance with Executive Order 11246, "Equal Employment Opportunity" (30 FR 12319, 12935, 3 CFR Part, 1964-1965 Comp., p. 339), as amended by Executive Order 11375, "Amending Executive Order 11246 Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity," and implementing regulations at 41 CFR part 60, "Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor." See, 2 CFR Part 200, Appendix II, para. C.

During the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees as follows:

(1) The contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. The contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following:

Employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous

places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

- (2) The contractor will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin.
- (3) The contractor will not discharge or in any other manner discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because such employee or applicant has inquired about, discussed, or disclosed the compensation of the employee or applicant or another employee or applicant. This provision shall not apply to instances in which an employee who has access to the compensation information of other employees or applicants as a part of such employee's essential job functions discloses the compensation of such other employees or applicants to individuals who do not otherwise have access to such information, unless such disclosure is in response to a formal complaint or charge, in furtherance of an investigation, proceeding, hearing, or action, including an investigation conducted by the employer, or is consistent with the contractor's legal duty to furnish information.
- (4) The contractor will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which he/she has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice to be provided advising the said labor union or workers' representatives of the contractor's commitments under this section, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.
- (5) The contractor will comply with all provisions of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and of the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor.
- (6) The contractor will furnish all information and reports required by Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and by rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto, and will permit access to his/her books, records, and accounts by the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and orders.
- (7) In the event of the contractor's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this contract or with any of the said rules, regulations, or orders, this contract may be canceled, terminated, or suspended in whole or in part and the contractor may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts or federally assisted construction contracts inaccordance with procedures authorized in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and such other sanctions may be imposed and remedies invoked as provided in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, or by rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law
- (8) The contractor will include the portion of the sentence immediately preceding paragraph (1) and the provisions of paragraphs (1) through (8) in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to section 204 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. The contractor will take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as the administering agency may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions for noncompliance:

Provided, however, that in the event a contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by the administering agency, the contractor may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

The applicant further agrees that it will be bound by the above equal opportunity clause with respect to its own employment practices when it participates in federally assisted construction work: Provided, That if the applicant so participating is a State or local government, the above equal opportunity clause is not applicable to any agency, instrumentality or subdivision of such government which does not participate in work on or under the contract.

The applicant agrees that it will assist and cooperate actively with the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor in obtaining the compliance of contractors and subcontractors with the equal opportunity clause and the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor, that it will furnish the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor such information as they may require for the supervision of such compliance, and that it will otherwise assist the administering agency in the discharge of the agency's primary responsibility for securing compliance.

The applicant further agrees that it will refrain from entering into any contract or contract modification subject to Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, with a contractor debarred from, or who has not demonstrated eligibility for, Government contracts and federally assisted construction contracts pursuant to the Executive Order and will carry out such sanctions and penalties for violation of the equal opportunity clause as may be imposed upon contractors and subcontractors by the administering agency or the Secretary of Labor pursuant to Part II, Subpart D of the Executive Order. In addition, the applicant agrees that if it fails or refuses to comply with these undertakings, the administering agency may take any or all of the following actions: Cancel, terminate, or suspend in whole or in part this grant (contract, loan, insurance, guarantee); refrain from extending any further assistance to the applicant under the program with respect to which the failure or refund occurred until satisfactory assurance of future compliance has been received from such applicant; and refer the case to the Department of Justice for appropriate legal proceedings.

#### 7.5 DAVIS-BACON ACT. 40 U.S.C. 3141-3148. AS AMENDED

When required by Federal program legislation, all prime construction contracts in excess of \$2,000 shall be done in compliance with the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. 3141- 3144, and 3146-3148) and the requirements of 29 C.F.R. pt. 5 as may be applicable. The contractor shall comply with 40 U.S.C. 3141-3144, and 3146-3148 and the requirements of 29 C.F.R. pt. 5 as applicable. Contractors are required to pay wages to laborers and mechanics at a rate not less than the prevailing wages specified in a wage determination made by the Secretary of Labor.

Additionally, contractors are required to pay wages not less than once a week.

#### 7.6 COPELAND ANTI-KICK-BACK ACT

Where applicable, the Contractor must comply with Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act (40 U.S.C. 3145), as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 3, "Contractors and Subcontractors on Public Building or Public Work Financed in Whole or in Part by Loans or Grants from the United States").

- a. Contractor. The Contractor shall comply with 18 U.S.C. § 874, 40 U.S.C. § 3145, and the requirements of 29 C.F.R. pt. 3 as may be applicable, which are incorporated by reference into the OGS centralized contract.
- b. Subcontracts. The Contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clause above and such other clauses as FEMA may by appropriate instructions require, and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor shall be responsible for the compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with all of these contract clauses.
- c. Breach. A breach of the clauses above may be grounds for termination of the OGS centralized contract, and for debarment as a Contractor and subcontractor as provided in 29 C.F.R. § 5.12.

#### 7.7 CONTRACT WORK HOURS AND SAFETY STANDARDS ACT. 40 U.S.C. 3701-3708

Where applicable, all contracts awarded by the non-Federal entity in excess of \$ 100,000 that involve the employment of mechanics or laborers must comply with 40 U.S.C. 3702 and 3704, as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5).

- (1) Overtime requirements. No contractor or subcontractor contracting for any part of the contract work which may require or involve the employment of laborers or mechanics shall require or permit any such laborer or mechanic in any workweek in which he or she is employed on such work to work in excess of forty hours in such workweek unless such laborer or mechanic receives compensation at a rate not less than one and one-half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of forty hours in such workweek.
- (2) Violation; liability for unpaid wages; liquidated damages. In the event of any violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (b)(1) of this section the contractor and any subcontractor responsible therefor shall be liable for the unpaid wages. In addition, such contractor and subcontractor shall be liable to the United States (in the case of work done under contract for the District of Columbia or a territory, to such District or to such territory), for liquidated damages. Such liquidated damages shall be computed with respect to each individual laborer or mechanic, including watchmen and guards, employed in violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (b)(1) of this section, in the sum of \$27 for each calendar day on which such individual was required or permitted to work in excess of the standard workweek of forty hours without payment of the overtime wages required by the clause set forth in paragraph (b)(1) of this section.
- (3) Withholding for unpaid wages and liquidated damages. The unauthorized user shall upon its own action or upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor withhold or cause to be withheld, from any moneys payable on account of work performed by the contractor or subcontractor under any such contract or any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other federally-assisted contract subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, which is held by the same prime contractor, such sums as may be determined to be necessary to satisfy any liabilities of such contractor or subcontractor for unpaid wages and liquidated damages as provided in the clause set forth in paragraph (b)(2) of this section.
- (4) Subcontracts. The contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clauses set forth in paragraph (b)(1) through (4) of this section and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with the clauses set forth in paragraphs (b)(1) through (4) of this section.

#### 7.8 RIGHTS TO INVENTIONS MADE UNDER A CONTRACT OR AGREEMENT

If the Federal award meets the definition of "funding agreement" under 37 CFR § 401.2 (a) and the recipient or subrecipient wishes to enter into a contract with a small business firm or nonprofit organization regarding the substitution of parties, assignment or performance of experimental, developmental, or research work under that "funding agreement," the recipient or subrecipient must comply with the requirements of 37 CFR Part 401, "Rights to Inventions Made by Nonprofit Organizations and Small Business Firms Under Government Grants, Contracts and Cooperative Agreements," and any implementing regulations issued by the awarding agency.

7.9 CLEAN AIR ACT, 42 U.S.C. 7401-7671Q, AND THE FEDERAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ACT, 33 U.S.C. 1251-1387, AS AMENDED Where applicable, Contract and subgrants of amounts inexcess of \$150,000, must comply with the following:

#### Clean Air Act

- 7.9.1.1 The contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 7401 et seq.
- 7.9.1.2 The contractor agrees to report each violation to the Division of Purchase and Property and understands and agrees that the Division of Purchase and Property will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.
- 7.9.1.3 The contractor agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$150,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FEMA.

#### Federal Water Pollution Control Act

1. The contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders, or regulations issued pursuant to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, 33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.

- The contractor agrees to report each violation to the Division of Purchase and Property and understands and agrees that the Division
  of Purchase and Property will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the Federal Emergency Management
  Agency, and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.
- 3. The contractor agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$150,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FEMA.

#### 7.10 DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION (EXECUTIVE ORDERS 12549 AND 12689)

- (1) This contract is a covered transaction for purposes of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180 and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000. As such, the contractor is required to verify that none of the contractor's principals (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.995) or its affiliates (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.905) are excluded (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.940) or disqualified (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.935).
- (2) The contractor must comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C, and must include a requirement to comply with these regulations in any lower tier covered transaction it enters into.
- (3) This certification is a material representation of fact relied upon by the State or authorized user. If it is later determined that the contractor did not comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C, in addition to remedies available to the State or authorized user, the Federal Government may pursue available remedies, including but not limited to suspension and/or debarment.
- (4) The bidder or proposer agrees to comply with the requirements of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C while this offer is valid and throughout the period of any contract that may arise from this offer. The bidder or proposer further agrees to include a provision requiring such compliance in its lower tier covered transactions.

#### 7.11 BYRD ANTI-LOBBYING AMENDMENT, 31 U.S.C. 1352

Contractors that apply or bid for an award exceeding \$100,000 must file the required certification. Each tier certifies to the tier above that it will not and has not used Federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant or any other award covered by 31 U.S.C. 1352. Each tier must also disclose any lobbying with non-Federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any Federal award. Such disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier up to the non-Federal award. Such disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier up to the recipient who in turn will forward the certification(s) to the awarding agency.

#### 7.12 PROHIBITION ON CERTAIN TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND VIDEO SURVEILLANCE SERVICES OR EQUIPMENT

- (a) Recipients and subrecipients are prohibited from obligating or expending loan or grant funds to:
  - (1) Procure or obtain;
  - (2) Extend or renew a contract to procure or obtain; or
  - (3) Enter into a contract (or extend or renew a contract) to procure or obtain equipment, services, or systems that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system. As described in *Public Law 115*–232, section 889, covered telecommunications equipment is telecommunications equipment produced by Huawei Technologies Company or ZTE Corporation (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities).
    - (i) For the purpose of public safety, security of government facilities, physical security surveillance of critical infrastructure, and other national security purposes, video surveillance and telecommunications equipment produced by Hytera Communications Corporation, Hangzhou Hikvision Digital Technology Company, or Dahua Technology Company (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities).
    - (ii) Telecommunications or video surveillance services provided by such entities or using such equipment.
    - (iii) Telecommunications or video surveillance equipment or services produced or provided by an entity that the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Director of the National Intelligence or the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, reasonably believes to be an entity owned or controlled by, or otherwise connected to, the government of a covered foreign country.

#### EXHIBIT A - GOODS, GENERAL SERVICE AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACTS

MANDATORY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY LANGUAGE N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq. (P.L. 1975, c. 127) N.J.A.C. 17:27 et seq.

During the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees as follows:

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex. Except with respect to affectional or sexual orientation and gender identity or expression, the contractor will ensure that equal employment opportunity is afforded to such applicants in recruitment and employment, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex. Such equal employment opportunity shall include, but not be limited to the following: employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the Public Agency Compliance Officer setting forth provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex.

The contractor or subcontractor will send to each labor union, with which it has a collective bargaining agreement, a notice, to be provided by the agency contracting officer, advising the labor union of the contractor's commitments under this chapter and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, agrees to comply with any regulations promulgated by the Treasurer pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., as amended and supplemented from time to time and the Americans with Disabilities Act.

The contractor or subcontractor agrees to make good faith efforts to meet targeted county employment goals established in accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:27-5.2.

The contractor or subcontractor agrees to inform in writing its appropriate recruitment agencies including, but not limited to, employment agencies, placement bureaus, colleges, universities, and labor unions, that it does not discriminate on the basis of age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex, and that it will discontinue the use of any recruitment agency which engages in direct or indirect discriminatory practices.

The contractor or subcontractor agrees to revise any of its testing procedures, if necessary, to assure that all personnel testing conforms with the principles of job related testing, as established by the statutes and court decisions of the State of New Jersey and as established by applicable Federal law and applicable Federal court decisions.

In conforming with the targeted employment goals, the contractor or subcontractor agrees to review all procedures relating to transfer, upgrading, downgrading and layoff to ensure that all such actions are taken without regard to age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex, consistent with the statutes and court decisions of the State of New Jersey, and applicable Federal law and applicable Federal court decisions.

The contractor shall submit to the public agency, after notification of award but prior to execution of a goods and services contract, one of the following three documents:

- Letter of Federal Affirmative Action Plan Approval;
- Certificate of Employee Information Report; or
- Employee Information Report Form AA302 (electronically provided by the Division and distributed to the public agency through the Division's website at http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/contract\_compliance).

The contractor and its subcontractors shall furnish such reports or other documents to the Division of Purchase an Property, CCAU, EEO Monitoring Program as may be requested by the office from time to time in order to carry out the purposes of these regulations, and public agencies shall furnish such information as may be requested by the Division of Purchase an Property, CCAU, EEO Monitoring Program for conducting a compliance investigation pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:27-1 et seq.

#### **EXHIBIT B - CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS**

MANDATORY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY LANGUAGE N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 <u>et seq.</u> (P.L. 1975, c. 127) N.J.S.A. 10:5-39 <u>et seq.</u> (P.L. 1983, c. 197) N.J.A.C. 17:27-1.1 <u>et seq.</u>

During the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees as follows:

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex. Except with respect to affectional or sexual orientation and gender identity or expression, the contractor will ensure that equal employment opportunity is afforded to such applicants in recruitment and employment, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex. Such equal employment opportunity shall include, but not be limited to the following: employment, up grading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the Public Agency Compliance Officer setting forth provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex.

N.J.S.A. 10:5-39 <u>et seq.</u> requires contractors, subcontractors, and permitted assignees performing construction, alteration, or repair of any building or public work in excess of \$250,000 toguarantee equal employment opportunity to veterans.

The contractor or subcontractor will send to each labor union, with which it has a collective bargaining agreement, a notice, to be provided by the agency contracting officer, advising the labor union or workers' representative of the contractor's commitments under this act and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, agrees to comply with any regulations promulgated by the Treasurer, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., as amended and supplemented from time to time and the Americans with Disabilities Act.

When hiring or scheduling workers in each construction trade, the contractor or subcontractor agrees to make good faith efforts to employ minority and women workers in each construction trade consistent with the targeted employment goal prescribed by N.J.A.C. 17:27-7.2; provided, however, that the Dept. of LWD, Construction EEO Monitoring Program may, in its discretion, exempt a contractor or subcontractor from compliance with the good faith procedures prescribed by the following provisions, A, B and C, as long as the Dept. of LWD, Construction EEO Monitoring Program is satisfied that the contractor or subcontractor is employing workers provided by a union which provides evidence, in accordance with standards prescribed by the Dept. of LWD, Construction EEO Monitoring Program, that its percentage of active "card carrying" members who are minority and women workers is equal to or greater than the targeted employment goal established in accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:27-7.2. The contractor or subcontractor agrees that a good faith effort shall include compliance with the following procedures:

- (A) If the contractor or subcontractor has a referral agreement or arrangement with a union for a construction trade, the contractor or subcontractor shall, within three business days of the contract award, seek assurances from the union that it will cooperate with the contractor or subcontractor as it fulfills its affirmative action obligations under this contract and in accordance with the rules promulgated by the Treasurer pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et. seq., as supplemented and amended from time to time and the Americans with Disabilities Act. If the contractor or subcontractor is unable to obtain said assurances from the construction trade union at least five business days prior to the commencement of construction work, the contractor or subcontractor agrees to afford equal employment opportunities minority and women workers directly, consistent with this chapter. If the contractor's or subcontractor's prior experience with a construction trade union, regardless of whether the union has provided said assurances, indicates a significant possibility that the trade union will not refer sufficient minority and women workers consistent with affording equal employment opportunities as specified in this chapter, the contractor or subcontractor agrees to be prepared to provide such opportunities to minority and women workers directly, consistent with this chapter, by complying with the hiring or scheduling procedures prescribed under (B) below; and the contractor or subcontractor further agrees to take said action immediately if it determines that the union is not referring minority and women workers consistent with the equal employment opportunity goals set forth in this chapter.
- (B) If good faith efforts to meet targeted employment goals have not or cannot be met for each construction trade by adhering to the procedures of (A) above, or if the contractor does not have a referral agreement or arrangement with a union for a construction trade, the contractor or subcontractor agrees to take the following actions:
  - (1) To notify the public agency compliance officer, the Dept. of LWD, Construction EEO Monitoring Program, and minority and women referral organizations listed by the Division pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:27-5.3, of its workforce needs, and request referral of minority and women workers;

- (2) To notify any minority and women workers who have been listed with it as awaiting available vacancies;
- (3) Prior to commencement of work, to request that the local construction trade union refer minority and women workers to fill job openings, provided the contractor or subcontractor has a referral agreement or arrangement with a union for the construction trade;
- (4) To leave standing requests for additional referral to minority and women workers with the local construction trade union, provided the contractor or subcontractor has a referral agreement or arrangement with a union for the construction trade, the State Training and Employment Service and other approved referral sources in the area;
- (5) If it is necessary to lay off some of the workers in a given trade on the construction site, layoffs shall be conducted in compliance with the equal employment opportunity and non- discrimination standards set forth in this regulation, as well as with applicable Federal and State court decisions:
- (6) To adhere to the following procedure when minority and women workers apply or are referred to the contractor or subcontractor:
  - i) The contactor or subcontractor shall interview the referred minority or women worker.
  - (ii) If said individuals have never previously received any document or certification signifying a level of qualification lower than that required in order to perform the work of the construction trade, the contractor or subcontractor shall in good faith determine the qualifications of such individuals. The contractor or subcontractor shall hire or schedule those individuals who satisfy appropriate qualification standards in conformity with the equal employment opportunity and non-discriminationprinciples set forth in this chapter. However, a contractor or subcontractor shall determine that the individual at least possesses the requisite skills, and experience recognized by a union, apprentice program or a referral agency, provided the referral agency is acceptable to the Dept. of LWD, Construction EEO Monitoring Program. If necessary, the contractor or subcontractor shall hire or schedule minority and women workers who qualify as trainees pursuant to these rules. All of the requirements, however, are limited by the provisions of (C) below.
  - (iii) The name of any interested women or minority individual shall be maintained on a waiting list, and shall be considered for employment as described in (i) above, whenever vacancies occur. At the request of the Dept. of LWD, Construction EEO Monitoring Program, the contractor or subcontractor shall provide evidence of its good faith efforts to employ women and minorities from the list to fill vacancies.
  - (iv) If, for any reason, said contractor or subcontractor determines that a minority individual or a woman is not qualified or if the individual qualifies as an advanced trainee or apprentice, the contractor or subcontractor shall inform the individual in writing of the reasons for the determination, maintain a copy of the determination in its files, and send a copy to the public agency compliance officer and to the Dept. of LWD, Construction EEO Monitoring Program.
- (7) To keep a complete and accurate record of all requests made for the referral of workers in any trade covered by the contract, on forms made available by the Dept. of LWD, Construction EEO Monitoring Program and submitted promptly to the Dept. of LWD, Construction EEO Monitoring Program upon request.
- (C) The contractor or subcontractor agrees that nothing contained in (B) above shall preclude the contractor or subcontractor from complying with the union hiring hall or apprenticeship policies in any applicable collective bargaining agreement or union hiring hall arrangement, and, where required by custom or agreement, it shall send journeymen and trainees to the union for referral, or to the apprenticeship program for admission, pursuant to such agreement or arrangement. However, where the practices of a union or apprenticeship program will result in the exclusion of minorities and women or the failure to refer minorities and women consistent with the targeted county employment goal, the contractor or subcontractor shall consider for employment persons referred pursuant to (B) above without regard to such agreement or arrangement; provided further, however, that the contractor or subcontractor shall not be required to employ women and minority advanced trainees and trainees in numbers which result in the employment of advanced trainees and trainees as a percentage of the total workforce for the construction trade, which percentage significantly exceeds the apprentice to journey worker ratio specified in the applicable collective bargaining agreement, or in the absence of a collective bargaining agreement, exceeds the ratio established by practice in the area for said construction trade. Also, the contractor or subcontractor agrees that, in implementing the procedures of (B) above, it shall, where applicable, employ minority and women workers residing within the geographical jurisdiction of the union.

After notification of award, but prior to signing a construction contract, the contractor shall submit to the public agency compliance officer and the Dept. of LWD, Construction EEO Monitoring Program an initial project workforce report (Form AA-201) electronically provided to the public agency by the Dept. of LWD, Construction EEO Monitoring Program, through its website, for distribution to and completion by the contractor, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:27-7.

The contractor also agrees to submit a copy of the Monthly Project Workforce Report once a month thereafter for the duration of this contract to the Dept. of LWD, Construction EEO Monitoring Program and to the public agency compliance officer.

The contractor agrees to cooperate with the public agency in the payment of budgeted funds, as is necessary, for on the job and/or off the job programs for outreach and training of minorities and women.

(D) The contractor and its subcontractors shall furnish such reports or other documents to the Dept. of LWD, Construction EEO Monitoring Program as may be requested by the Dept. of LWD, Construction EEO Monitoring Program from time to time in order to carry out the purposes of these regulations, and public agencies shall furnish such information as may be requested by the Dept. of LWD, Construction EEO Monitoring Program for conducting a compliance investigation pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:27-1.1 et seq.

#### **EXHIBIT C - EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 151 REQUIREMENTS**

It is the policy of the Division of Purchase and Property that its contracts should create a workforce that reflects the diversity of the State of New Jersey. Therefore, contractors engaged by the Division of Purchase and Property to perform under a construction contract shall put forth a good faith effort to engage in recruitment and employment practices that further the goal of fostering equal opportunities to minorities and women.

The contractor must demonstrate to the Division of Purchase and Property's satisfaction that a good faith effort was made to ensure that minorities and women have been afforded equal opportunity to gain employment under the Division of Purchase and Property's contract with the contractor. Payment may be withheld from a contractor's contract for failure to comply with these provisions.

Evidence of a "good faith effort" includes, but is not limited to:

- 1. The Contractor shall recruit prospective employees through the State Job bank website, managed by the Department of Labor and Workforce Development, available online at https://newjersey.usnlx.com/;
- 2. The Contractor shall keep specific records of its efforts, including records of all individuals interviewed and hired, including the specific numbers of minorities and women;
- The Contractor shall actively solicit and shall provide the Division of Purchase and Property with proof of solicitations for employment, including but not limited to advertisements in general circulation media, professional service publications and electronic media; and
- 4. The Contractor shall provide evidence of efforts described at 2 above to the Division of Purchase and Property no less frequently than once every 12 months.
- 5. The Contractor shall comply with the requirements set forth at N.J.A.C. 17:27.

This language is in addition to and does not replace good faith efforts requirements for construction contracts required by N.J.A.C. 17:27-3.6, 3.7 and 3.8, also known as Exhibit B.

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#### I HEREBY ACCEPT THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THIS CONTRACT

Signature	Date	
Print Name and Title		
Print Name of Contractor		