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Protest Decision

Matter of: CIS Patrol Services LLC

File No.: 2025-130

Posting Date: May 7, 2025

Contracting Entity: State Fiscal Accountability Authority

Solicitation No.: 5400027563

Description: Unarmed Security Services

DIGEST

The Chief Procurement Officer (CPO) grants the protest of CIS Patrol Services LLC (CIS). The protest document is attached as Exhibit A.

AUTHORITY

The Chief Procurement Officer (CPO) conducted an administrative review pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 11-35-4210. This decision is based on materials in the procurement file and applicable law and precedents.

BACKGROUND

- On November 19, 2024, the State Fiscal Accountability Authority (SFAA) issued a solicitation (Exhibit B) for Unarmed Security Services for Midlands Technical College. The solicitation was processed using the best value bid source selection method BVB).

- On December 16, 2024, SFAA issued Amendment 2 (Exhibit C). This amendment replaced the original solicitation document and also included answers to supplier questions.¹
- On January 8, 2025, SFAA received 5 bids including one from CIS.
- On January 29, 2025, SFAA distributed all responsive offers to the Evaluation Committee.
- On February 25, 2025, the Evaluation Committee met to review and score the offers.
- On March 17, 2025, SFAA posted an Intent to Award a contract to Defender Services, Inc (Defender).
- On March 18, 2025, CIS filed a Notice of Intent to Protest with the CPO.
- On March 19, 2025, CIS submitted their grounds for protest.

DISCUSSION

CIS bases a ground of protest on the allegation that Defender's offer deviated from the BVB requirements. Amendment 2 had the following requirement:

2. The contractor shall provide a full-time Security supervisor to supervise and coordinate contractor security operations at the college.
 - a. Supervisor Bill rate should be no more than \$23.63 per hour for supervisor
 - b. Security Officer Bill Rate should be no more than \$16.00 per hour

(Amendment 2, p. 16).

During Q&A the State answered additional questions concerning this rate. (Amendment #2, p. 46).

¹ SFAA issued Amendment 1 on 11/16/24 which is not relevant to this protest.

29. Section III Scope of Work/Specifications, #3 states that the contractor shall provide security supervisor @ \$23.63 per hour. Is this rate the direct pay rate of the supervisor or the billing rate to MTC?

STATE RESPONSE: This is a billing rate to MTC

30. Solicitation page 15, Section III. #2. The contractor shall provide a full-time Security Supervisor to supervise and coordinate contractor security operations at the college @ \$23.63 per hour. It was established during the Pre-bid Conference call on December 5, 2024, that this is the Supervisor bill rate. Question: Will you provide the “pay rate” for the Supervisor position or utilize this as the base rate for the Supervisor?

STATE RESPONSE: The bill rate that MTC will accept for a Supervisor is \$23.63

It is clear that the billing rate to MTC should not exceed \$23.63/hour for supervisors and \$16.00/hour for officers. To the extent there was any ambiguity about whether this was a mandatory ceiling, the response to Question 30 clarified that MTC would not accept a supervisor bill rate above \$23.63. Offerors were instructed to include a cost break down showing the Pay Rate, Bill Rate, and Vendor’s Mark Up along with their bidding schedule. Defender included a document with their offer titled Cost Breakdown MTC (Exhibit D). This document included a bill rate for the Security Officer of \$16.32/hour and a bill rate for the Security Supervisor of \$23.80/hour. The bill rates submitted by Defender exceed the maximum bill rates established by the solicitation. Therefore, Defender’s bid is non-responsive to the solicitation’s requirements.

DECISION

For the reasons stated above, the CPO grants CIS’s protest. This solicitation is remanded to SFAA to proceed in accordance with the Code.

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Kimber H. Craig, CPM
Chief Procurement Officer

Columbia, South Carolina

STATEMENT OF RIGHT TO FURTHER ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW

Protest Appeal Notice (Revised July 2024)

The South Carolina Procurement Code, in Section 11-35-4210, subsection 6, states:

(6) Finality of Decision. A decision pursuant to subsection (4) is final and conclusive, unless fraudulent or unless a person adversely affected by the decision requests a further administrative review by the Procurement Review Panel pursuant to Section 11-35-4410(1) within ten days of posting of the decision in accordance with subsection (5). The request for review must be directed to the appropriate chief procurement officer, who shall forward the request to the panel or to the Procurement Review Panel, and must be in writing, setting forth the reasons for disagreement with the decision of the appropriate chief procurement officer. The person also may request a hearing before the Procurement Review Panel. The appropriate chief procurement officer and an affected governmental body shall have the opportunity to participate fully in a later review or appeal, administrative or judicial.

Copies of the Panel's decisions and other additional information regarding the protest process is available on the internet at the following web site: <http://procurement.sc.gov>

FILING FEE: Pursuant to Proviso 111.1 of the 2024 General Appropriations Act, "[r]equests for administrative review before the South Carolina Procurement Review Panel shall be accompanied by a filing fee of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250.00), payable to the SC Procurement Review Panel. The panel is authorized to charge the party requesting an administrative review under the South Carolina Code Sections 11-35-4210(6), 11-35-4220(5), 11-35-4230(6) and/or 11-35-4410...Withdrawal of an appeal will result in the filing fee being forfeited to the panel. If a party desiring to file an appeal is unable to pay the filing fee because of financial hardship, the party shall submit a completed Request for Filing Fee Waiver form at the same time the request for review is filed. *[The Request for Filing Fee Waiver form is attached to this Decision.]* If the filing fee is not waived, the party must pay the filing fee within fifteen days of the date of receipt of the order denying waiver of the filing fee. Requests for administrative review will not be accepted unless accompanied by the filing fee or a completed Request for Filing Fee Waiver form at the time of filing." PLEASE MAKE YOUR CHECK PAYABLE TO THE "SC PROCUREMENT REVIEW PANEL."

LEGAL REPRESENTATION: In order to prosecute an appeal before the Panel, business entities organized and registered as corporations, limited liability companies, and limited partnerships must be represented by a lawyer. Failure to obtain counsel will result in dismissal of your appeal. *Protest of Lighting Services*, Case No. 2002-10 (Proc. Rev. Panel Nov. 6, 2002) and *Protest of The Kardon Corporation*, Case No. 2002-13 (Proc. Rev. Panel Jan. 31, 2003); and *Protest of PC&C Goldmans, LLC*, Case No. 2012-1 (Proc. Rev. Panel April 2, 2012). However, individuals and those operating as an individual doing business under a trade name may proceed without counsel, if desired.

**South Carolina Procurement Review Panel
Request for Filing Fee Waiver
1205 Pendleton Street, Suite 367, Columbia, SC 29201**

Name of Requestor

Address

City

State

Zip

Business Phone

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1. What is your/your company's monthly income? _____
 2. What are your/your company's monthly expenses? _____
 3. List any other circumstances which you think affect your/your company's ability to pay the filing fee:

To the best of my knowledge, the information above is true and accurate. I have made no attempt to misrepresent my/my company's financial condition. I hereby request that the filing fee for requesting administrative review be waived.

Sworn to before me this
_____ day of _____, 20_____

Notary Public of South Carolina

Requestor/Appellant

My Commission expires: _____

For official use only: _____ Fee Waived _____ Waiver Denied

Chairman or Vice Chairman, SC Procurement Review Panel

This _____ day of _____, 20_____
Columbia, South Carolina

NOTE: If your filing fee request is denied, you will be expected to pay the filing fee within fifteen (15) days of the date of receipt of the order denying the waiver.

Exhibit A

CIS Patrol Services, LLC.

**Protest to Solicitation # 540002763/ Contract
4400036766**



CIS Patrol Services LLC., is protesting the award of **contract #4400036766** based on the sole fact that the **solicitation 5400027563** was a **best value bid opportunity**. After reviewing the cost of the current award we found that Defender Services did not include the Supervisor bill rate that caps at \$23.63 per hour, and the Officer bill rate is to cap at \$16.00 per hour. Our bid alone for the Supervisor is \$20.63 per hour and our bill rate for each officer is \$15.00 per hour. With the minimum hours that were listed on the solicitation for each of these positions and locations we came in with rates lower than the awarded company Defender Services by \$5,299.09 a month. This is a total savings of \$63,589.08 a year and the potential savings of \$317,945.40 over a 5 year period. These numbers do not reflect any additional cost to this contract for additional hours that may be requested by MTC.

In addition to the protest in regards to the financial aspect, CIS Patrol Services, LLC., has been in operation for 5 years. We provide Armed and Unarmed Security Services throughout the state of South Carolina. In addition to the certification and training qualifications through SLED, CIS Patrol Services, LLC., provides continuing education and training courses to each officer on a monthly basis. These courses are **MANDATORY** for each officer to attend. In our opinion and customer testimonials alone we are more than qualified to perform the duties that are required of this contract.

CIS Patrol Services, LLC is a professional hands-on security company that provides On-Site Security Services for your desired property. From the hiring process to the client relationship, we take pride in our ability to exceed our client's expectations and surpass the services of our competition. All of our Officers are well trained within the scope of their duties per our clients' needs. Each officer has a background in Military or Law Enforcement. With each new account, we create specific post orders with the development of an in-house training program for each officer on your location. With the amount of uproar worldwide regarding police reform, we take pride in providing our clients and general public with the right to live without fear within their communities', knowing CIS Patrol Services, LLC is serving them.

CIS Patrol Services, LLC is licensed, bonded, and fully insured in the State of South Carolina.

The founder of CIS Patrol Services, LLC possessed over 15 years' experience in security, Security Management, Investigations, and the protection field. Our management staff, including the founder, has prior working experience with the numerous state and local law enforcement agencies across the United States and are currently networking with other agencies as well.

CIS Patrol Services, LLC employ highly trained and professionally dedicated officers to service this market in the following areas:

Security Consulting: Consulting services offered in a variety of specialized areas.

Manufacturing: Detect, deter, and report incidents which violate company policy and the law High Rise

Commercial Property & Governmental: Access control, public relations, and traffic control

Special Events: Which require many officers for short periods of time.

Patrol Services: Vehicle patrol, traffic control, and traffic enforcement within HOA and other communities.

Alarm response: Responding to panic alarms and courtesy calls for service within communities.

Loss Prevention: Plain clothes/ undercover surveillance for Internal and External theft.

School Resource: Ensure the safety and well being of students and staff.

Prisoner Transport: Safely transport arrestee/ prisoners from one location to another.

Fire Watch: oversee and prevent fires from occurring in a specific location.

Law Enforcement Services: (Per South Carolina State Statute 40-80-110) A person who is registered or licensed under this chapter and who is hired or employed to provide security services on specific property is granted the authority and arrest power given to sheriff's deputies. The security officer may arrest a person violating or charged with violating a criminal statute of this State but possesses the powers of arrest only on the property on which he is employed.

Scope of Work

CIS Patrol Services, LLC provides the following services for your convenience:

- 1:** Employs prior law enforcement, military, and / or seasoned officers, with special firearms training.
- 2:** Our upper management will oversee your property, at no additional cost to you.
- 3:** Monthly management staff meetings to discuss strategies, policies, and procedure changes and implement them swiftly.
- 4:** 24-hour communications and a Special Operations Response Team for any threatening situation (disgruntled employees or non-employee threats made against you and / or your staff)
- 5:** Replacement of any field Officer after being notified of a problem or emergency within 30 minutes at the management's discretion

CIS Patrol Services, LLC Officer Recruiting Guidelines

CIS Patrol Services, LLC applies traditional recruiting procedures, which attract quality applicants from diverse fields, through colleges, employee referrals, seminars, newspaper advertising, brochures, and trade shows. Each employee or trainee must undergo criminal background check, fingerprinting, and a CIS Patrol Services, LLC pre- employment screening before being hired with CIS Patrol Services, LLC. Each employee must participate in training which involves state laws, patrol techniques, and self-defense. CIS Patrol Services, LLC owner is personally in charge of verifying that each agent possessing a firearm passes all state and CIS Patrol Services, LLC special weapons safety certifications courses before being authorized to carry a firearm.


CIS Patrol Services, LLC., would like to thank you for taking the time to review our protest for the award to **solicitation #5400027563, contract # 4400036766**. We take pride in providing you with the maximum standard of service in the security and protection industry. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to communicate with my team. We look forward to the opportunity to work together to accomplish your security and protection goals.

Thank you again for reviewing our protest. We look forward to speaking with you.

Sincerely,

McKenzie B. Nailling
Coordinator
CIS Patrol Services, LLC.
<https://cispatrol.com/>

Exhibit B

	<p align="center">State of South Carolina</p> <p align="center">Best Value Bid</p>	<p>Solicitation: 5400027563 Date Issued: 11/19/2024 Procurement Officer: BRYANNA MCCAIN Phone: (803)737-0983 E-Mail Address: bmccain@mmo.sc.gov Mailing Address: SFAA, Div. of Procurement Services PO Box 101103 Columbia SC 29201-3734</p>
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DESCRIPTION: **Unarmed Security Services**

USING GOVERNMENTAL UNIT: **Midlands Technical College**

SUBMIT YOUR OFFER ON-LINE AT THE FOLLOWING URL: <http://www.procurement.sc.gov>

SUBMIT OFFER BY (Opening Date/Time): **01/08/2025 11:00 AM EST** (See "Deadline for Submission of Offer" provision)

QUESTIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY: **12/03/2024 04:00 PM EST** (See "Questions from Offerors" provision)

NUMBER OF COPIES TO BE SUBMITTED: **1: Online Bidding Preferred. One (1) Electronic Technical marked "Original", One (1) Redacted Electronic Technical Copy marked "Redacted", One (1) Electronic Price marked "Original", and One (1) Electronic Price Copy marked "Copy"** See Section II. A "DISCLOSURE OF YOUR BID / PROPOSAL and SUBMITTING CONFIDENTIAL DATA, Section II. B "Electronic Copies- Required Media and Format"

Initial here _____ if a redacted copy is NOT necessary

CONFERENCE TYPE: **Non-mandatory Pre-Bid Conference**
 DATE & TIME: **12/05/2024 10:00 AM EST.**

(As appropriate, see "Conferences - Pre-Bid/Proposal" & "Site Visit" provisions)

LOCATION: **MICROSOFT TEAMS**

Contact the Procurement Manager by Wednesday December 04, 2024, at 04:00 PM, EST for conference call phone number and access code, via email: bmccain@mmo.sc.gov.

AWARD & AMENDMENTS

Award will be posted on **02/14/2025**. The award, this solicitation, any amendments, and any related notices will be posted at the following web address: <http://www.procurement.sc.gov>

You must submit a signed copy of this form with Your Offer. By signing, You agree to be bound by the terms of the Solicitation. You agree to hold Your Offer open for a minimum of ninety (90) calendar days after the Opening Date. (See "Signing Your Offer" provision.)

NAME OF OFFEROR

(Full legal name of business submitting the offer)

Any award issued will be issued to, and the contract will be formed with, the entity identified as the Offeror. The entity named as the offeror must be a single and distinct legal entity. Do not use the name of a branch office or a division of a larger entity if the branch or division is not a separate legal entity, i.e., a separate corporation, partnership, sole proprietorship, etc.

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE

(Person must be authorized to submit binding offer to contract on behalf of Offeror.)

DATE SIGNED

TITLE

(Business title of person signing above)

STATE VENDOR NO.

(Register to Obtain S.C. Vendor No. at www.procurement.sc.gov)

PRINTED NAME

(Printed name of person signing above)

STATE OF INCORPORATION

(If you are a corporation, identify the state of incorporation.)

OFFEROR'S TYPE OF ENTITY: (Check one) (See "Signing Your Offer" provision.)

☐ Sole Proprietorship ☐ Partnership ☐ Other _____

☐ Corporate entity (not tax-exempt) ☐ Corporation (tax-exempt) ☐ Government entity (federal, state, or local)

(Return Page Two with Your Offer)

HOME OFFICE ADDRESS (Address for offeror's home office / principal place of business)	NOTICE ADDRESS (Address to which all procurement and contract related notices should be sent.) (See "Notice" clause)
	Area Code - Number - Extension Facsimile E-mail Address
PAYMENT ADDRESS (Address to which payments will be sent.) (See "Payment" clause)	ORDER ADDRESS (Address to which purchase orders will be sent) (See "Purchase Orders and "Contract Documents" clauses)
_____ Payment Address same as Home Office Address _____ Payment Address same as Notice Address (check only one)	_____ Order Address same as Home Office Address _____ Order Address same as Notice Address (check only one)

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF AMENDMENTS
 Offerors acknowledges receipt of amendments by indicating amendment number and its date of issue. (See "Amendments to Solicitation" Provision)

Amendment No.	Amendment Issue Date	Amendment No.	Amendment Issue Date	Amendment No.	Amendment Issue Date	Amendment No.	Amendment Issue Date

DISCOUNT FOR PROMPT PAYMENT (See "Discount for Prompt Payment" clause)	10 Calendar Days (%)	20 Calendar Days (%)	30 Calendar Days (%)	_____ Calendar Days (%)
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PREFERENCES - A NOTICE TO VENDORS (SEP. 2009):

*****PREFERENCES DO NOT APPLY*****

PREFERENCES – ADDRESS AND PHONE OF IN-STATE OFFICE:

*****PREFERNCES DO NOT APPLY*****

_____ In-State Office Address same as Home Office Address _____ In-State Office Address same as Notice Address (**check only one**)

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I. SCOPE OF SOLICITATION

ACQUIRE SERVICES (JAN 2006)

The State Fiscal Accountability Authority Office of Procurement Services (SFAA-OPS) on behalf of Midlands Technical College is seeking to procure the contractual services of a security firm to provide unarmed security officers for the referenced campuses.

MAXIMUM CONTRACT PERIOD - ESTIMATED (JAN 2006)

Start date: 02/25/2025 End date: 02/24/2030.

Dates provided are estimates only. Any resulting contract will begin on the date specified in the notice of award. See clause entitled "Term of Contract - Effective Date/Initial Contract Period". [01-1040-1]

The initial term of the contract will be one (1) year contract with four (4) one-year renewal options resulting in a maximum contract term of five (5) years.

II. INSTRUCTIONS TO OFFERORS - A. GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

DEFINITIONS, CAPITALIZATION, AND HEADINGS (MAY 2024)

DEFINITIONS, CAPITALIZATION, AND HEADINGS (MAY 2024) CLAUSE HEADINGS USED IN THIS SOLICITATION ARE FOR CONVENIENCE ONLY AND WILL NOT BE USED TO CONSTRUE MEANING OR INTENT. EVEN IF NOT CAPITALIZED, THE FOLLOWING DEFINITIONS APPLY TO ALL PARTS OF THE SOLICITATION, UNLESS EXPRESSLY PROVIDED OTHERWISE.

AMENDMENT means a document issued to supplement the original solicitation document.

AUTHORITY means the State Fiscal Accountability Authority or its successor in interest.

BUSINESS means any corporation, partnership, individual, sole proprietorship, joint stock company, joint venture, or any other legal entity. [11-35-310(3)]

CHANGE ORDER means any written alteration in specifications, delivery point, rate of delivery, period of performance, price, quantity, or other provisions of any contract accomplished by mutual agreement of the parties to the contract. [11-35-310(5)]

CONTRACT See clause entitled Contract Documents & Order of Precedence.

CONTRACT MODIFICATION means a written order signed by the procurement officer, directing the contractor to make changes which the clause of the contract titled "Changes," if included herein, authorizes the Procurement Officer to order without the consent of the contractor. [11-35-310(9)]

CONTRACTOR means the Offeror receiving an award as a result of this solicitation.

COVER PAGE means the top page of the original solicitation on which the solicitation is identified by number. Offerors are cautioned that Amendments may modify information provided on the Cover Page.

OFFER means the bid or proposal submitted in response this solicitation. The terms Bid and Proposal are used interchangeably with the term Offer.

OFFEROR means the single legal entity submitting the offer. The term Bidder is used interchangeably with the term Offeror. See bidding provisions entitled Signing Your Offer and Bid/Proposal As Offer To Contract.

PAGE TWO means the second page of the original solicitation, which is labeled Page Two.

PROCUREMENT OFFICER means the person, or his successor, identified as such on either the Cover Page, an amendment, or an award notice.

YOU and YOUR means Offeror.

SOLICITATION means this document, including all its parts, attachments, and any Amendments.

STATE means the Using Governmental Unit(s) identified on the Cover Page.

SUBCONTRACTOR means any person you contract with to perform or provide any part of the work. US or WE means the using governmental unit.

USING GOVERNMENTAL UNIT means the unit(s) of government identified as such on the Cover Page. If the Cover Page identifies the Using Governmental Unit as "Statewide Contract," either optional or mandatory, the phrase "Using Governmental Unit" means any South Carolina Public Procurement Unit [11-35-4610(5)] that has submitted a Purchase Order to you pursuant to the contract resulting from this solicitation. Reference the clauses titled "Purchase Orders" and "Statewide Contract."

WORK means all labor, materials, equipment, services, or property of any type, provided or to be provided by the Contractor to fulfill the Contractor's obligations under the Contract. [02-2A003-4]

AMENDMENTS TO SOLICITATION (JAN 2004)

(a) The Solicitation may be amended at any time prior to opening. All actual and prospective Offerors should monitor the following web site for the issuance of Amendments: www.procurement.sc.gov (b) Offerors shall acknowledge receipt of any amendment to this solicitation (1) by signing and returning the amendment, (2) by identifying the amendment number and date in the space provided for this purpose on Page Two, (3) by letter, or (4) by submitting a bid that indicates in some way that the bidder received the amendment. (c) If this solicitation is amended, then all terms and conditions which are not modified remain unchanged. [02-2A005-1]

AUTHORIZED AGENT (FEB 2015)

All authority regarding this procurement is vested solely with the responsible Procurement Officer. Unless specifically delegated in writing, the Procurement Officer is the only government official authorized to bind the government with regard to this procurement or the resulting contract. [02-2A007-1]

AWARD NOTIFICATION (MAR 2024)

Notice regarding any award, cancellation of award, or extension of award will be posted at the location and on the date specified on the Cover Page or, if applicable, the most recent notice of extension of award. Should the contract resulting from this Solicitation have a total or potential value more than one hundred thousand dollars, such notice will be sent electronically to all Offerors responding to the Solicitation. Unless a written notice of intent to protest is timely filed pursuant to Section 11-35-4210(1)(b) or the award is otherwise suspended or canceled, the award will be effective on the calendar day (including weekends and holidays) immediately following the seventh business day after such notice is given. [02-2A010-3]

BID/PROPOSAL AS OFFER TO CONTRACT (JAN 2004)

By submitting Your Bid or Proposal, You are offering to enter into a contract with the Using Governmental Unit(s). Without further action by either party, a binding contract shall result upon final award. Any award issued will be issued to, and the contract will be formed with, the entity identified as the Offeror on the Cover Page. An Offer may be submitted by only one legal entity; "joint bids" are not allowed. [02-2A015-1]

BID ACCEPTANCE PERIOD (JAN 2004)

In order to withdraw Your Offer after the minimum period specified on the Cover Page, You must notify the Procurement Officer in writing. [02-2A020-1]

BID IN ENGLISH and DOLLARS (JAN 2004)

Offers submitted in response to this solicitation shall be in the English language and in US dollars, unless otherwise permitted by the Solicitation. [02-2A025-1]

AUTHORITY AS PROCUREMENT AGENT (DEC 2015)

The Procurement Officer is an employee of the Authority acting on behalf of the Using Governmental Unit(s) pursuant to the Consolidated Procurement Code. Any contracts awarded as a result of this procurement are between the Contractor and the Using Governmental Units(s). The Authority is not a party to such contracts, unless and to the extent that the Authority is a using governmental unit, and bears no liability for any party's losses arising out of or relating in any way to the contract. [02-2A030-3]

CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT PRICE DETERMINATION (MAR 2024)

GIVING FALSE, MISLEADING, OR INCOMPLETE INFORMATION ON THIS CERTIFICATION MAY RENDER YOU SUBJECT TO PROSECUTION UNDER SECTION 16-9-10 OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS AND OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS.

(a) By submitting an offer, the offeror certifies that-

(1) The prices in this offer have been arrived at independently, without, for the purpose of restricting competition, any consultation, communication, or agreement with any other offeror or competitor relating to—

(i) Those prices;

(ii) The intention to submit an offer; or

(iii) The methods or factors used to calculate the prices offered.

(2) The prices in this offer have not been and will not be knowingly disclosed by the offeror, directly or indirectly, to any other offeror or competitor before bid opening (in the case of a sealed bid solicitation) or contract award (in the case of a negotiated solicitation) unless otherwise required by law; and

(3) No attempt has been made or will be made by the offeror to induce any other concern to submit or not to submit an offer for the purpose of restricting competition.

(b) Each signature on the offer is considered to be a certification by the signatory that the signatory-

(1) Is the person in the offeror's organization responsible for determining the prices being offered in this bid or proposal, and that the signatory has not participated and will not participate in any action contrary to paragraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) of this certification; or

(2)(i) Has been authorized, in writing, to act as agent for the offeror's principals in certifying that those principals have not participated, and will not participate in any action contrary to paragraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) of this certification [As used in this subdivision (b)(2)(i), the term "principals" means the person(s) in the offeror's organization responsible for determining the prices offered in this bid or proposal];

(ii) As an authorized agent, does certify that the principals referenced in subdivision (b)(2)(i) of this certification have not participated, and will not participate, in any action contrary to paragraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) of this certification; and

(iii) As an agent, has not personally participated, and will not participate, in any action contrary to paragraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) of this certification.

(c) If the offeror deletes or modifies paragraph (a)(2) of this certification, the offeror must furnish with its offer a signed statement setting forth in detail the circumstances of the disclosure. [02-2A032-2]

CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT AND OTHER RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS (JAN 2004)

(a) (1) By submitting an Offer, Offeror certifies, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that-

(i) Offeror and/or any of its Principals-

(A) Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, or declared ineligible for the award of contracts by any state or federal agency;

(B) Have not, within a three-year period preceding this offer, been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for: commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, state, or local) contract or subcontract; violation of Federal or state antitrust statutes relating to the submission of offers; or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, tax evasion, or receiving stolen property; and

(C) Are not presently indicted for, or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity with, commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (a)(1)(i)(B) of this provision.

(ii) Offeror has not, within a three-year period preceding this offer, had one or more contracts terminated for default by any public (Federal, state, or local) entity.

(2) "Principals," for the purposes of this certification, means officers; directors; owners; partners; and, persons having primary management or supervisory responsibilities within a business entity (e.g., general manager; plant manager; head of a subsidiary, division, or business segment, and similar positions).

(b) Offeror shall provide immediate written notice to the Procurement Officer if, at any time prior to contract award, Offeror learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.

(c) If Offeror is unable to certify the representations stated in paragraphs (a)(1), Offer must submit a written explanation regarding its inability to make the certification. The certification will be considered in connection with a review of the Offeror's responsibility. Failure of the Offeror to furnish additional information as requested by the Procurement Officer may render the Offeror non-responsible.

(d) Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render, in good faith, the certification required by paragraph (a) of this provision. The knowledge and information of an Offeror is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.

(e) The certification in paragraph (a) of this provision is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when making award. If it is later determined that the Offeror knowingly or in bad faith rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the State, the Procurement Officer may terminate the contract resulting from this solicitation for default.

[02-2A035-1]

CODE OF LAWS AVAILABLE (JAN 2006)

The South Carolina Code of Laws, including the Consolidated Procurement Code, is available at:

<http://www.scstatehouse.gov/code/statmast.php>

The South Carolina Regulations are available at:
<http://www.scstatehouse.gov/coderegs/statmast.php>

[02-2A040-2]

DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST OR UNFAIR COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGE (JUL 2023)

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("OCI FAQ for Contractors" is available at www.procurement.sc.gov)

- (a) You certify that, after reasonable inquiry, to the best of your knowledge and belief: (1) your offer identifies any services that relate to either this solicitation or the work and that have already been performed by you, a proposed subcontractor, or an affiliated business or consultant of either; and (2) there are no relevant facts or circumstances that may give rise to an actual or potential organizational conflict of interest, as defined in S.C. Code Ann. Reg. 19-445.2127, or that your offer identifies and explains any unfair competitive advantage you may have in competing for the proposed contract and any actual or potential conflicts of interest that may arise from your participation in this competition or your receipt of an award.
- (b) If you, a proposed subcontractor, or an affiliated business or consultant of either, have an unfair competitive advantage or an actual or potential conflict of interest, the State may withhold award. Before withholding award on these grounds, the State will notify you of the concerns and provide a reasonable opportunity for you to respond. The State may consider efforts to avoid or mitigate such concerns, including restrictions on future activities.
- (c) The certification in paragraph (a) of this provision is a material representation of fact upon which the State will rely when considering your offer for award. [02-2A047-3]

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF OFFER (JAN 2004)

Any offer received after the Procurement Officer of the governmental body or his designee has declared that the time set for opening has arrived, shall be rejected unless the offer has been delivered to the designated purchasing office or the governmental body's mail room which services that purchasing office prior to the opening. [R.19-445.2070(G)] [02-2A050-1]

DRUG FREE WORKPLACE CERTIFICATION (JAN 2004)

By submitting an Offer, Contractor certifies that, if awarded a contract, Contractor will comply with all applicable provisions of The Drug-free Workplace Act, Title 44, Chapter 107 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, as amended. [02-2A065-1]

DUTY TO INQUIRE (FEB 2015)

Offeror, by submitting an Offer, represents that it has read and understands the Solicitation and that its Offer is made in compliance with the Solicitation. Offerors are expected to examine the Solicitation thoroughly and should request an explanation of any ambiguities, discrepancies, errors, omissions, or conflicting statements in the Solicitation. Failure to do so will be at the Offeror's risk. All ambiguities, discrepancies, errors, omissions, or conflicting statements in the Solicitation shall be interpreted to require the better quality or greater quantity of work and/or materials, unless otherwise directed by amendment. Offeror assumes responsibility for any patent ambiguity in the Solicitation that Offeror does not bring to the State's attention. See clause entitled "Questions from Offerors." [02-2A070-2]

ETHICS CERTIFICATE (MAY 2008)

By submitting an offer, the offeror certifies that the offeror has and will comply with, and has not, and will not, induce a person to violate Title 8, Chapter 13 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, as amended (ethics act). The following statutes require special attention: Section 8-13-700, regarding use of official position for financial gain; Section 8-13-705, regarding gifts to influence action of public official; Section 8-13-720, regarding offering money for advice or assistance of public official; Sections 8-13-755 and 8-13-760, regarding restrictions on employment by former public official; Section 8-13-775, prohibiting public official with economic interests from acting on contracts; Section 8-13-790, regarding recovery of kickbacks; Section 8-13-1150, regarding statements to be filed by consultants; and Section 8-13-1342, regarding restrictions on contributions by contractor to candidate who participated in awarding of contract. The state may rescind any contract and recover all amounts expended as a result of any action taken in violation of this provision. If contractor participates, directly

or indirectly, in the evaluation or award of public contracts, including without limitation, change orders or task orders regarding a public contract, contractor shall, if required by law to file such a statement, provide the statement required by Section 8-13-1150 to the procurement officer at the same time the law requires the statement to be filed. [02-2A075-2]

MULTIPLE OFFERS (MAR 2024)

Offerors may submit more than one Offer, provided that each Offer has significant differences other than price. Each separate Offer must satisfy all Solicitation requirements. If this solicitation is an Invitation for Bids, each separate offer must be submitted or uploaded as a separate document and must clearly indicate that it is a separate offer. If this solicitation is a Request for Proposals, multiple offers may be submitted or uploaded as one document, provided that you clearly differentiate between each offer and you submit a separate cost proposal for each offer, if applicable. [02-2A079-1]

PRICING (MAR 2024)

(a) Fixed Price. If a fixed price is required, award will not be made on an Offer if the total possible price to the State cannot be determined. (b) Price Reasonableness: Any offer may be rejected if the Procurement Officer determines in writing that it is unreasonable as to price. (c) Unbalanced Pricing. The State will analyze all offers with separately priced line items or subline items to determine if the prices are unbalanced. Unbalanced pricing exists when, despite an acceptable total evaluated price, the price of one or more line items is significantly over or understated. The responsible procurement officer may reject an offer as unreasonably priced if she determines that unbalanced pricing increases performance risk (e.g., it is so unbalanced as to be tantamount to allowing an advance payment) or could result in payment of unreasonably high prices. S.C. Code Ann. Reg. 19-445.2122C. [02-2A082-2]

OMIT TAXES FROM PRICE (JAN 2004)

Do not include any sales or use taxes in Your price that the State may be required to pay. [02-2A080-1]

OPEN TRADE REPRESENTATION (JUN 2015)

By submitting an Offer, Offeror represents that Offeror is not currently engaged in the boycott of a person or an entity based in or doing business with a jurisdiction with whom South Carolina can enjoy open trade, as defined in SC Code Section 11-35-5300. [02-2A083-1]

PROTESTS (MAY 2024)

(a) If you are aggrieved in connection with the solicitation or award of the contract, you may be entitled to protest, but only as provided in Section 11-35-4210. To protest the solicitation or an amendment, your written protest must be received within fifteen Days of the date the applicable solicitation document is issued. To protest an award, (i) written notice of your intent to protest must be received within seven Business Days of the date the award notice is posted, and (ii) your actual written protest must be received within fifteen Days of the date the award notice is posted. Time periods are computed in accordance with Section 11-35-310(13) and the definitions for Day and Business Day. Both protests and notices of intent to protest must be received by the appropriate Chief Procurement Officer (CPO). See clause entitled "Protest-CPO." (b) Pursuant to Section 11-35-410, documents directly connected to a procurement activity may be available within five days after request. All document requests should be directed to DocReq@mmo.sc.gov (.). If a protest is pending, the protestant's lawyer may access otherwise unavailable information by applying to the CPO for the issuance of a protective order. Additional information is available at www.procurement.sc.gov/legal [02-2A085-3]

PROHIBITED COMMUNICATIONS AND DONATIONS (FEB 2015)

Violation of these restrictions may result in disqualification of your offer, suspension or debarment, and may constitute a violation of law.

(a) During the period between publication of the solicitation and final award, ***you must not communicate, directly or indirectly, with the Using Governmental Unit or its employees, agents or officials regarding any aspect of this procurement activity,*** unless otherwise approved in writing by the Procurement Officer. All communications must be solely with the Procurement Officer. [R. 19-445.2010]

(b) You are advised to familiarize yourself with Regulation 19-445.2165, which restricts donations to a governmental entity with whom you have or seek to have a contract. ***You represent that your offer discloses any gifts made, directly or through an intermediary, by you or your named subcontractors to or for the benefit of the Using Governmental Unit during the period beginning eighteen months prior to the Opening Date.*** [R. 19-445.2165] [02-2A087-1]

PUBLIC OPENING (JAN 2004)

Offers will be publicly opened at the date/time and at the location identified on the Cover Page, or last Amendment, whichever is applicable. [02-2A090-1]

QUESTIONS FROM OFFERORS (FEB 2015)

(a) Any prospective offeror desiring an explanation or interpretation of the solicitation, drawings, specifications, etc., must request it in writing. Questions regarding the original solicitation or any amendment must be received by the Procurement Officer no later than five (5) days prior to opening unless an earlier date is stated on the Cover Page. Label any communication regarding your questions with the name of the procurement officer, and the solicitation's title and number. Oral explanations or instructions will not be binding. [See R. 19-445.2042(B)] Any information given a prospective offeror concerning a solicitation will be furnished promptly to all other prospective offerors as an Amendment to the solicitation, if that information is necessary for submitting offers or if the lack of it would be prejudicial to other prospective offerors. See clause entitled "Duty to Inquire." **We will not identify you in our answer to your question.** (b) The State seeks to permit maximum practicable competition. Offerors are urged to advise the Procurement Officer -- as soon as possible -- regarding any aspect of this procurement, including any aspect of the Solicitation that unnecessarily or inappropriately limits full and open competition. [See R. 19-445.2140] [02-2A095-2]

IMPORTANT:

All questions should be submitted in writing and received by the Procurement Officer for this solicitation no later than the date and time listed on Cover Page One.

Email is the preferred method for communicating with the procurement officer. **Title the "Subject Line" of your email: "Bid 5400027563 Questions".**

Email: bmccain@mmo.sc.gov

Questions must be submitted in an easily copied format such as MS Word. Please do not place your questions in tables.

REJECTION/CANCELLATION (JAN 2004)

The State may cancel this solicitation in whole or in part. The State may reject any or all proposals in whole or in part. [SC Code Section 11-35-1710 & R.19-445.2065] [02-2A100-1]

RESPONSIVENESS (MAR 2024)

(a) Award will not be made on a nonresponsive offer. An offer is nonresponsive (i) if it does not constitute an unambiguous offer to enter into a contract with the State, or (ii) if it imposes conditions inconsistent with, or does not unambiguously agree to, the solicitation's material requirements. (b) Bid as Specified. Offers for supplies or services other than those specified will not be considered unless authorized by the Solicitation. [02-2A105- 3]

SIGNING YOUR OFFER (JAN 2004)

Every Offer must be signed by an individual with actual authority to bind the Offeror. (a) If the Offeror is an individual, the Offer must be signed by that individual. If the Offeror is an individual doing business as a firm, the Offer must be submitted in the firm name, signed by the individual, and state that the individual is doing business as a firm. (b) If the Offeror is a

partnership, the Offer must be submitted in the partnership name, followed by the words by its Partner, and signed by a general partner. (c) If the Offeror is a corporation, the Offer must be submitted in the corporate name, followed by the signature and title of the person authorized to sign. (d) An Offer may be submitted by a joint venturer involving any combination of individuals, partnerships, or corporations. If the Offeror is a joint venture, the Offer must be submitted in the name of the Joint Venture and signed by every participant in the joint venture in the manner prescribed in paragraphs (a) through (c) above for each type of participant. (e) If an Offer is signed by an agent, other than as stated in subparagraphs (a) through (d) above, the Offer must state that it has been signed by an Agent. Upon request, Offeror must provide proof of the agent's authorization to bind the principal. [02-2A115-1]

STATE OFFICE CLOSINGS (JAN 2004)

If an emergency or unanticipated event interrupts normal government processes so that offers cannot be received at the government office designated for receipt of bids by the exact time specified in the solicitation, the time specified for receipt of offers will be deemed to be extended to the same time of day specified in the solicitation on the first work day on which normal government processes resume. In lieu of an automatic extension, an Amendment may be issued to reschedule bid opening. If state offices are closed at the time a pre-bid or pre-proposal conference is scheduled, an Amendment will be issued to reschedule the conference. Useful information may be available at: <https://scemd.org/closings/>

[02-2A120-3]

DISCLOSURE OF YOUR BID / PROPOSAL and SUBMITTING CONFIDENTIAL DATA (FEB 2021)

(a) According to Section 11-35-410, any person submitting a document in response or with regard to any solicitation or other request must "comply with instructions provided in the solicitation for marking information exempt from public disclosure. Information not marked as required by the applicable instructions may be disclosed to the public." **IF YOU IDENTIFY YOUR ENTIRE RESPONSE AS EXEMPT FROM PUBLIC DISCLOSURE, OR IF YOU DO NOT SUBMIT A REDACTED COPY AS REQUIRED, THE STATE MAY, IN ITS SOLE DISCRETION, DETERMINE YOUR BID OR PROPOSAL NONRESPONSIVE AND INELIGIBLE FOR AWARD.** (b) By submitting a response to this solicitation or request, Offeror (1) agrees to the public disclosure of every page, or portion thereof, of every document regarding this solicitation or request that was submitted at any time prior to entering into a contract (including, but not limited to, documents contained in a response, documents submitted to clarify a response, and documents submitted during negotiations), unless the page, or portion thereof, was redacted and conspicuously marked "Trade Secret" or "Confidential" or "Protected", (2) agrees that any information not redacted and marked, as required by these bidding instructions, as a "Trade Secret" is not a trade secret as defined by the Trade Secrets Act, and (3) agrees that, notwithstanding any claims or markings otherwise, any prices, commissions, discounts, or other financial figures used to determine the award, as well as the final contract amount, are subject to public disclosure. (c) If your offer includes any information that you claim is exempt from public disclosure, you must submit one complete copy of your offer from which you have removed or concealed such information (the redacted copy). Except for the information removed or concealed, the redacted copy must be identical to your original offer. (d) Do not mark your entire response (bid, proposal, quote, etc.) as confidential, trade secret, or protected. If only portions of a page are subject to some protection, do not redact the entire page. The redacted copy must reflect the same pagination as the original and show the empty space from which information was redacted. The Procurement Officer must be able to view, search, copy and print the redacted copy without a password. If your response, or any part thereof, is improperly marked as confidential or trade secret or protected, the State may, in its sole discretion, determine it nonresponsive. (e) On the redacted copy, you must identify the basis of your claim by marking each redaction as follows: You must separately mark with the word "CONFIDENTIAL" every page, or portion thereof, that you redacted and claim as exempt from public disclosure because it is either (1) a trade secret as defined in Section 30-4-40(a)(1) of the Freedom of Information Act, or (2) privileged and confidential, as that phrase is used in Section 11-35-410. You must separately mark with the words "TRADE SECRET" every page, or portion thereof, that you redacted and claim as exempt from public disclosure as a trade secret pursuant to Section 39-8-20 of the Trade Secrets Act. You must separately mark with the word "PROTECTED" every page, or portion thereof, that you redacted and claim as exempt from public disclosure pursuant to Section 11-35- 1810. All markings must be conspicuous; use color, bold, underlining, or some other method in order to conspicuously distinguish the mark from the other text. (f) In determining whether to release documents, the State will detrimentally rely on your redaction and marking of documents, as required by these bidding instructions, as being either "Confidential" or "Trade Secret" or "Protected". By submitting a response, you agree to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the State of South Carolina, its agencies, officers and employees, from every claim, demand, loss, expense, cost, damage or injury, including attorney's fees, arising out of or resulting from withholding information by the State of South Carolina or any of its agencies, that you have redacted or marked as "Confidential" or "Trade Secret" or "Protected". (All references to S.C. Code of Laws.) [02-2A125-3]

SUBMITTING A PAPER OFFER OR MODIFICATION (MAR 2015)

Unless specifically instructed otherwise in the solicitation, you should submit your offer or modification in accordance with the clause titled "ON-LINE BIDDING INSTRUCTIONS." Paper offers are discouraged. If you must submit a paper offer or modification the following instructions apply. (a) All prices and notations should be printed in ink or typewritten. Errors should be crossed out, corrections entered and initialed by the person signing the bid. Do not modify the solicitation document itself (including bid schedule). (b) (1) All copies of the offer or modification, and any other documents required to be submitted with the offer shall be enclosed in a sealed, opaque envelope or package. (2) Submit your offer or modification to the address on the Cover Page. (3) The envelope or package must show the time and date specified for opening, the solicitation number, and the name and address of the bidder. If the offer or modification is sent by mail or special delivery service (UPS, Federal Express, etc.), the outermost envelope or wrapper must be labeled "OFFER ENCLOSED" on the face thereof. (c) If you are responding to more than one solicitation, submit each offer in a separate envelope or package. (d) Submit the number of copies indicated on the Cover Page. (e) Facsimile or e-mail offers, modifications, or withdrawals, will not be considered unless authorized by the Solicitation. [02-2A130-2]

TAX CREDIT FOR SUBCONTRACTING WITH DISADVANTAGED SMALL BUSINESSES (APR 2024)

Pursuant to Section 12-6-3350, a taxpayer having a contract with this State who subcontracts with a socially and economically disadvantaged small business is eligible for an income tax credit equal to four percent of the payments to that subcontractor for work pursuant to the contract. The subcontractor must be certified as a socially and economically disadvantaged small business as defined in Section 11-35-5010 and regulations pursuant to it. The credit is limited to a maximum of fifty thousand dollars annually. A taxpayer is eligible to claim the credit for ten consecutive taxable years beginning with the taxable year in which the first payment is made to the subcontractor that qualifies for the credit. After the above ten consecutive taxable years, the taxpayer is no longer eligible for the credit. A taxpayer claiming the credit shall maintain evidence of work performed for the contract by the subcontractor. The credit may be claimed on Schedule TC-2, "Credit for State Contractors Subcontracting with Socially and Economically Disadvantaged Small Business." A copy of the subcontractor's certificate from the Division of Small and Minority Business Contracting and Certification is to be attached to the contractor's income tax return. Questions regarding the tax credit and how to file are to be referred to: SC Department of Revenue, <http://dor.sc.gov>. Questions regarding subcontractor certification are to be referred to: Division of Small and Minority Business Contracting and Certification, <http://smbcc.sc.gov>. [02-2A135-2]

VENDOR REGISTRATION MANDATORY (MAY 2024)

You must have a state vendor number to be eligible to submit an offer. To obtain a state vendor number, visit www.procurement.sc.gov and select Doing Business with Us. Then select New Vendor Registration. (To determine if your business is already registered, go to "Vendor Search"). Upon registration, you will be assigned a state vendor number. Note that your vendor registration submission may take up to 30 days to process due to high numbers of registrants. Vendors must keep their vendor information current. If you are already registered and know your User ID and Password, you can update your information by selecting Update Vendor Registration. If you need to update information but do not have your User ID/Password, you must complete a new vendor registration and On Step 9 – Messages to Administration indicate "Update vendor number" with your existing 10-digit vendor number. (Please note that vendor registration does not substitute for any obligation to register with the S.C. Secretary of State or S.C. Department of Revenue. You can register with the agencies at South Carolina Business One Stop, <http://scbos.sc.gov>) [02-2A145-2]

WITHDRAWAL OR CORRECTION OF OFFER (JAN 2004)

Offers may be withdrawn by written notice received at any time before the exact time set for opening. If the Solicitation authorizes facsimile offers, offers may be withdrawn via facsimile received at any time before the exact time set for opening. A bid may be withdrawn in person by a bidder or its authorized representative if, before the exact time set for opening, the identity of the person requesting withdrawal is established and the person signs a receipt for the bid. The withdrawal and correction of Offers is governed by S.C. Code Section 11-35-1520 and Regulation 19-445.2085. [02-2A150-1]

II. INSTRUCTIONS TO OFFERORS -- B. SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

CONFERENCE – PRE-BID/PROPOSAL (MODIFIED)

Pre-Bid/Proposal Conference Date and Time: **SEE COVER PAGE ONE**

Location of Pre-Bid/Proposal Conference: **SEE COVER PAGE ONE**

Due to the importance of all offerors having a clear understanding of the specifications and requirements of this solicitation, a conference of potential offerors will be held on the date specified on the cover page. **Have a copy of the solicitation ready so you can follow along with the discussion.** Any changes resulting from this conference will be noted in a written amendment to the solicitation. Your failure to attend will not relieve the Contractor from responsibility for estimating properly the difficulty and cost of successfully performing the work, or for proceeding to successfully perform the work without additional expense to the State. The State assumes no responsibility for any conclusions or interpretations made by the Contractor based on the information made available at the conference. Nor does the State assume responsibility for any understanding reached or representation made concerning conditions which can affect the work by any of its officers or agents before the execution of this contract, unless that understanding, or representation is expressly stated in this contract.

This solicitation includes a NON-Mandatory Pre-Proposal Conference. While attendance is not required, Offerors are strongly encouraged to attend and participate. The purpose of the Pre-Proposal Conference is to identify items that are in error, unclear, or unduly restrictive.

All conference attendees should read the solicitation and develop their questions in preparation for the conference. The pace of the conference will **NOT** afford individuals enough time to complete an initial review of the document during the conference.

MAIL PICKUP (JAN 2006)

The State Procurement Office picks up all mail from The US Postal Service once daily around 8:30 a.m. (excluding weekends and holidays). See provision entitled Deadline for Submission of Offer. [02-2B080-1]

ON-LINE BIDDING INSTRUCTIONS (MODIFIED)

(a) Mandatory Registration. You must register before you can submit an offer on line! See clause entitled "VENDOR REGISTRATION MANDATORY."

(b) Steps for On-Line Bidding

1 The link provided on the solicitation's Cover Page will take you to our web based on-line bidding system, where you will enter and/or upload your offer.

2 Follow the general user instructions posted at www.procurement.sc.gov under the heading "Submitting Offers."

3 Confirm your offer has a status of "submitted" by refreshing the "RFx and Auctions" screen.

Only offers with a status of "submitted" have been received by the State.

Offers with a status of "saved" have not been received.

4 Save or print a copy of your offer using the "Print Preview" button after your offer has been submitted.

[02-2B105-2]

If you have problems entering an on-line offer, you must:

- i. contact the SCEIS Help Desk for assistance at (803) 896-0001 (select option 1 for SCEIS); or
- ii. contact the SCEIS Help Desk on-line at <http://www.sceis.sc.gov/vendorrequests/>.

Do not contact the Procurement Officer with problems entering an offer into the system. Only questions regarding the solicitation document should be addressed with the Procurement Officer.

Do not wait until the last minute to submit your offer. If an online offer is not completed and in a submitted status prior to the submission deadline, the offer will not be considered for award.

PROTEST - CPO - MMO ADDRESS (MAR 2024)

Any protest must be addressed to the Chief Procurement Officer, Materials Management Office, and submitted in writing

(a) by email to protest-mmo@mmo.state.sc.us, or

(b) by post or delivery to 1201 Main Street, Suite 600, Columbia, SC 29201. [02-2B122-2]

SITE VISIT -- BY APPOINTMENT (JAN 2006)

Appointment for a site visit may be made by contacting:

Timothy Martin
Chief of Campus Police
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APPOINTMENTS WILL ONLY OCCURE PRIOR TO THE PRE-BID CONFERENCE DATE and TIME.

UNIT PRICES REQUIRED (JAN 2006)

Unit price to be shown for each item. [02-2B170-1]

III. SCOPE OF WORK/SPECIFICATIONS

Midlands Technical College (MTC) is seeking to procure the contractual services of a security firm to provide **unarmed** security officers for the referenced campuses. The successful contractor will provide coverage every day, including weekends.

Definition of unarmed physical security (our expectations) at MTC:

Physical security – in accordance with published general orders – Security Officers shall observe and report, lock and unlock doors, maintain a presence when requested, perform building security checks, set up traffic control devices and direct traffic for special events, limited motorist assistance, radio communications.

Scope of Work/Specifications:

1. The contractor must be licensed to do business in the State of South Carolina. The counties where the college's campuses reside are Richland, Lexington, and Fairfield. Therefore, two of the requirements to successfully perform this contract are:
 - a. Your firm must currently have and maintain a fully staffed office throughout the term of the contract in the state of South Carolina (i.e. preferably within **25 miles** of Columbia, South Carolina) and
 - b. Your firm must have been in business for at least five (5) years.
2. The contractor shall provide a full-time Security supervisor to supervise and coordinate contractor security operations at the college. (@ \$23.63 per hour)
3. The college will direct job duties and responsibilities of security officers through the Security supervisor.
4. Duties of the Security supervisor, consistent with accepted principles of security operation and will be assigned by the college's Chief of Police.
5. The supervisor, his/her supervisor will be required to meet with the MTC Security Liaison monthly.
6. MTC will provide the Security Supervisor an office with a telephone, computer and internet access which will be located on the Airport Campus.
7. The Security supervisor will be provided an assigned-college vehicle to travel between campuses as duties require.

Note: College vehicles shall be used for campus security related activities only. Any 2 unauthorized activities or loss outside of the contracted services and approval of the College, will be at the cost of the contractor.

8. The Security supervisor and MTC Security Liaison shall develop and maintain up-to-date written college security General Orders for security officers. The Security supervisor will ensure that all newly assigned Security officers are thoroughly trained on the college's security operations and details contained in the College's security General Orders during the first two (2) weeks of duty.
9. The Security supervisor will ensure that all security officers are fully qualified for the security position to which they are assigned.
10. The MTC Security Liaison will coordinate with the Security supervisor for special needs and other duties that may be scheduled outside normal security operations.
11. The contractor is required to complete an approved background investigation and pay for processing of SLED licenses for security Officers. The contractor will provide a copy of the SLED license and a photograph for each Officer to the MTC Security Liaison prior to assignment.
12. The contractor shall pay and provide for drug testing of all Security Officers new to the College with at least a 5 panel

drug screening test. The contractor will pay and provide for the same testing on a random basis for 20% of the security Officers annually. Test will be administered by a 3rd party drug screening firm – not affiliated with the contractor. Test may be administered for cause by order of the Chief of Police.

13. The contractor shall ensure that all officers who drive security vehicles have and maintain a valid South Carolina driver's license with no more than two traffic infractions.
14. The contractor shall replace any employee deemed unsatisfactory within twenty-four (24) hours when requested by the college. The college reserves the right to reject any prospective personnel provided by the contractor and to terminate any security personnel deemed unsatisfactory.
15. The contractor, as this is solely their responsibility, shall furnish and maintain a list of eligible candidates for employment. The college will not solicit candidates on behalf of the successful contractor.
 - a. Contractor shall solicit for and examine qualifications of eligible candidates for employment when the contractor does not have a sufficient list of eligible candidates to provide the required number of security officers.
 - b. Contractor shall provide a sufficient number of security officers to make sure all posts are covered as all times.
 - i. Sickness is not an excuse for non-coverage of a post. A substitute must be placed.
16. The contractor shall provide the college with up to two (2) additional security officers on an emergency basis on a two (2) hour notice. Overtime is not to be charged except in rare circumstances and only with prior approval of the college's Chief of Police.
17. The college will furnish radios for use by security officers.
18. The contractor's security officers will use a college approved electronic tracking security system provided by the contractor which records security checks of buildings, equipment, maintenance problems, and fire or safety hazards.
 - a. The contractor shall provide the system at no cost to the college.
 - b. No component of the system can be inoperable for more than 24 hours.
 - c. The contractor is responsible for obtaining a loaner device in the event of any system failure.
 - d. The contractor is responsible for any cost associated with components attached to the building.
 - e. The system is the property of the current contractor. Only the keys attached to the building will remain.
19. The contractor is required to furnish security during holidays and special college events.
 - a. A calendar of college closings and special events will be provided by the College.
 - b. Overtime is not to be charged for holiday and special college events except in rare circumstances and with prior approval of the college's Chief of Police.
20. The estimated total of annual contract services are approximately **43,204** clock hours for the seven locations.

Scheduled security officer hours:	39,624
Unscheduled security officer hours:	1,500
Supervisor hours:	2,080

21. Invoicing – The College will issue a purchase order to the successful vendor for the estimated annual dollars for services.
 - a. Invoices must be submitted at the first of every month for labor furnished the previous month.
 - b. Invoices must be substantiated by accompanying time sheets furnishing the following information:
 - i. Employee's name
 - ii. Number of hours worked
 - iii. Pay rate
 - iv. Billing rate
 - v. Total due for the month
 - c. Invoices must include any applicable mileage driven by supervisor.

- i. Log sheets must be included.
 - d. Request for verification of routine nightly patrols using printout from Morse Watchman or equivalent will be requested for random shifts during the monthly billing cycle.
- 22. Payroll Taxes and Insurance –
 - a. The contractor will administer payroll tax withholdings for security personnel as follows: a) Federal Taxes, b) State Taxes and c) Social Security (FICA).
 - b. The contractor will be responsible for Federal and the applicable state of South Carolina statutory insurance costs for security personnel as follows: a) Federal Unemployment Insurance, b) South Carolina Unemployment Insurance, c) Workers' Compensation.
 - c. The contractor must meet all IRS requirements for payroll reporting including magnetic media reporting.
 - d. The contractor must provide and maintain Worker's Compensation and General Liability Insurance on security providing services to the college.
- 23. -Adjustment of Services
 - a. MTC reserves the right to adjust the number of officers, duty schedule or location as may be deemed necessary during the contract period.

DELIVERY/PERFORMANCE LOCATION – SPECIFIED (JAN 2006)

After award, all deliveries shall be made and all services provided to the following address, unless otherwise specified:

Airport Campus

1260 Lexington Drive
West Columbia, SC 29170

Beltline Campus

316 South Beltline
Columbia, SC 29205

Harbison Campus

7300 College Street
Irmo, SC 29063

Northeast Campus

151 Powell Rd
Columbia, SC 29203

Batesburg-Leesville Campus

423 College Street
Batesburg-Leesville, SC 29070

Fairfield Campus

1674 Hwy 321 North Business
Winnsboro, SC 29180

Lexington Northlake Center

702 North Lake Drive
Lexington, SC 29072

[03-3030-1]

IV. INFORMATION FOR OFFERORS TO SUBMIT

INFORMATION FOR OFFERORS TO SUBMIT -- GENERAL (MAR 2015)

You shall submit a signed Cover Page and Page Two. If you submit your offer electronically, you must upload an image of a signed Cover Page and Page Two. Your offer should include all other information and documents requested in this part and in parts II.B. Special Instructions; III. Scope of Work; V. Qualifications; VIII. Bidding Schedule/Price Proposal; and any appropriate attachments addressed in Part IX. Attachments to Solicitations. You should submit a summary of all insurance policies you have or plan to acquire to comply with the insurance requirements stated herein, if any, including policy types; coverage types; limits, sub-limits, and deductibles for each policy and coverage type; the carrier's A.M. Best rating; and whether the policy is written on an occurrence or claims-made basis. [04-4010-2]

1. Technical Proposal
 - a. Cover Letter
 - b. Provide a technical narrative that outlines in detail, in addition to specific requirements above, how you plan to deliver on the requirements outlined in Section III including a staffing plan.
2. Qualifications and Experience
 - a. Provide a detailed plan for qualifications and experience of personnel including any affiliations or applicable certifications.
 - b. Provide details on past experience for contracts held of similar scope to this contract. This is NOT references, but details showing capabilities to perform this similar size and scope contract.
3. Price Proposal
 - a. Pricing must be provided on the Bidding Schedule Pricing.

MINORITY PARTICIPATION (APR 2024):

Is the bidder a South Carolina Certified Minority Business? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Is the bidder a Minority Business certified by another governmental entity? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If so, please list the certifying governmental entity: _____

Will any of the work under this contract be performed by a SC certified Minority Business as a subcontractor? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If so, what percentage of the total value of the contract will be performed by a SC certified Minority Business as a subcontractor? _____

Will any of the work under this contract be performed by a minority business certified by another governmental entity as a subcontractor? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If so, what percentage of the total value of the contract will be performed by a minority business certified by another governmental entity as a subcontractor? _____

If a certified Minority Business is participating in this contract, please indicate all categories for which the Business is certified:

- ☐ Traditional minority
- ☐ Traditional minority, but female
- ☐ Women (Caucasian females)
- ☐ Hispanic minorities
- ☐ DOT referral (Traditional minority)
- ☐ DOT referral (Caucasian female)
- ☐ Temporary certification
- ☐ SBA 8 (a) certification referral
- ☐ Other minorities (Native American, Asian, etc.)

(If more than one minority contractor will be utilized in the performance of this contract, please provide the information above for each minority business.)

The Department of Administration, Division of Small and Minority Business Contracting and Certification, publishes a list of certified minority firms. The Minority Business Directory is available at the following URL: [http://smbcc.sc.gov\(.\)](http://smbcc.sc.gov(.))

[04-4015-4]

V. QUALIFICATIONS

QUALIFICATIONS OF OFFEROR (MAR 2015)

(1) To be eligible for award, you must have the capability in all respects to perform fully the contract requirements and the integrity and reliability which will assure good faith performance. We may also consider a documented commitment from a satisfactory source that will provide you with a capability. We may consider information from any source at any time prior to award. We may elect to consider (i) key personnel, any predecessor business, and any key personnel of any predecessor business, including any facts arising prior to the date a business was established, and/or (ii) any subcontractor you identify. (2) You must promptly furnish satisfactory evidence of responsibility upon request. Unreasonable failure to supply requested information is grounds for rejection. (3) **Corporate subsidiaries are cautioned that the financial capability of an affiliated or parent company will not be considered in determining financial capability;** however, we may elect to consider any security, e.g., letter of credit, performance bond, parent-company corporate guaranty, that you offer to provide. Instructions and forms to help assure acceptability are posted on www.procurement.sc.gov, link to "Standard Clauses & Provisions." [05-5005-2]

QUALIFICATIONS - SPECIAL STANDARDS OF RESPONSIBILITY (MAR 2015)

(a) This section establishes special standards of responsibility. **UNLESS YOU POSSESS THE FOLLOWING MANDATORY MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS, DO NOT SUBMIT AN OFFER:**

SLED - The offeror and its officers must be licensed and registered in accordance with current requirements of the SC code of Laws and provide evidence of a SLED Level 2 certified Regulations to provide security services within 25-miles of the campus.

(b) Provide a detailed, narrative statement with adequate information to establish that you meet all the requirements stated in subparagraph (a) above. Include all appropriate documentation. If you intend for us to consider the qualifications of your key personnel, predecessor business(es), or subcontractor(s), explain the relationship between you and such person or entity. [R. 19-445.2125(F)]
[05-5010-2]

QUALIFICATIONS -- REQUIRED INFORMATION (MAR 2015)

Submit the following information or documentation for you and for any subcontractor (at any tier level) that you identify pursuant to the clause titled Subcontractor - Identification. Err on the side of inclusion. You represent that the information provided is complete. (a) The general history and experience of the business in providing work of similar size and scope. (b) Information reflecting the current financial position. Include the most current financial statement and financial statements for the last two fiscal years. If the financial statements have been audited in accordance with the following requirements, provide the audited version of those statements. [Reference Statement of Financial Accounting Concepts No. 5 (FASB, December, 1984), as amended.] (c) A detailed, narrative statement listing the three most recent, comparable contracts (including contact information) which have been performed. For each contract, describe how the supplies or services provided are similar to those requested by this solicitation, and how they differ. (d) A list of every business for which supplies or services substantially similar to those sought with this solicitation have been provided, at any time during the past three years. (e) A list of every South Carolina public body for which supplies or services have been provided at any time during the past three years, if any. (f) List of failed projects, suspensions, debarments, and significant litigation. [05-5015-2]

SUBCONTRACTOR -- IDENTIFICATION (FEB 2015)

If you intend to subcontract, at any tier level, with another business for any portion of the work and that portion either (1) exceeds 10% of your cost, (2) involves access to any "government information," as defined in the clause entitled "Information Security - Definitions," if included, or (3) otherwise involves services critical to your performance of the work (err on the side of inclusion), your offer must identify that business and the work which they are to perform. Identify potential subcontractors by providing the business name, address, phone, taxpayer identification number, **and point of contact**. In determining your responsibility, the state may contact and evaluate your proposed subcontractors. [05-5030-2]

VI. AWARD CRITERIA

AWARD CRITERIA -- BEST VALUE BIDS (JAN 2006)

Award will be made to the highest ranked, responsive, and responsible offeror whose offer is determined to be the most advantageous to the State. [06-6025-1]

AWARD TO ONE OFFEROR (JAN 2006)

Award will be made to one Offeror. [06-6040-1]

CALCULATING THE LOW BID

[06-6050-1]

COMPETITION FROM PUBLIC ENTITIES (JAN 2006)

If a South Carolina governmental entity submits an offer, the Procurement Officer will, when determining the lowest offer, add to the price provided in any offers submitted by non-governmental entities a percentage equivalent to any applicable sales or use tax. S.C. Code Ann. Regs 117-304.1 (Supp. 2004). [06-6057-1]

EVALUATION FACTORS -- BEST VALUE BID (JAN 2006)

Offers will be evaluated using only the factors stated below. Numerical weightings are provided for each evaluation factor. All evaluation factors, other than cost (which must be at least 60%), will be considered prior to determining the effect of cost on the score for each offeror. Once evaluation is complete, all responsive offerors will be ranked from most advantageous to least advantageous. [06-6060-1]

Price - 60points

Technical Proposal - 20 points

Qualifications & Experience - 20 points

UNIT PRICE GOVERNS (JAN 2006)

In determining award, unit prices will govern over extended prices unless otherwise stated. [06-6075-1]

VII. TERMS AND CONDITIONS -- A. GENERAL

ASSIGNMENT, NOVATION, AND CHANGE OF NAME, IDENTITY, OR STRUCTURE (FEB 2015)

(a) Contractor shall not assign this contract, or its rights, obligations, or any other interest arising from this contract, or delegate any of its performance obligations, without the express written consent of the responsible procurement officer. The foregoing restriction does not apply to a transfer that occurs by operation of law (e.g., bankruptcy; corporate reorganizations and consolidations, but not including partial asset sales). Notwithstanding the foregoing, contractor may assign monies receivable under the contract provided that the state shall have no obligation to make payment to an assignee until thirty days after contractor (not the assignee) has provided the responsible procurement officer with (i) proof of the assignment, (ii) the identity (by contract number) of the specific state contract to which the assignment applies, and (iii) the name of the assignee and the exact address or account information to which assigned payments should be made. (b) If contractor amends, modifies, or otherwise changes its name, its identity (including its trade name), or its corporate, partnership or other structure, or its FEIN, contractor shall provide the procurement officer prompt written notice of such change. (c) Any name change, transfer, assignment, or novation is subject to the conditions and approval required by Regulation 19-445.2180, which does not restrict transfers by operation of law. [07-7A004-2]

BANKRUPTCY - GENERAL (FEB 2015)

(a) Notice. In the event the Contractor enters into proceedings relating to bankruptcy, whether voluntary or involuntary, the Contractor agrees to furnish written notification of the bankruptcy to the Using Governmental Unit. This notification shall be furnished within two (2) days of the initiation of the proceedings relating to the bankruptcy filing. This notification shall include the date on which the bankruptcy petition was filed, the identity of the court in which the bankruptcy petition was filed, and a listing of all State contracts against which final payment has not been made. This obligation remains in effect until final payment under this Contract. (b) Termination. This contract is voidable and subject to immediate termination by the State upon the contractor's insolvency, including the filing of proceedings in bankruptcy. [07-7A005-2]

CHOICE-OF-LAW (JAN 2006)

The Agreement, any dispute, claim, or controversy relating to the Agreement, and all the rights and obligations of the parties shall, in all respects, be interpreted, construed, enforced and governed by and under the laws of the State of South Carolina, except its choice of law rules. As used in this paragraph, the term "Agreement" means any transaction or agreement arising out of, relating to, or contemplated by the solicitation. [07-7A010-1]

CONTRACT AWARDED PURSUANT TO CODE (MAR 2024)

Any contract resulting from this solicitation is formed pursuant to the South Carolina Consolidated Procurement Code and is deemed to incorporate all applicable provisions thereof and the ensuing regulations. See also clause titled "Code of Laws Available." [07-7A012-1]

CONTRACT DOCUMENTS and ORDER OF PRECEDENCE (MAY 2024)

(a) Any contract resulting from this solicitation shall consist of the following documents: (1) the solicitation, as amended, (2) your offer, as amended, (3) any statement reflecting the State's final acceptance (a/k/a "award"), and (4) purchase orders. These documents shall be read to be consistent and complementary. Any conflict among these documents shall be resolved by giving priority to these documents in the order listed above. (b) The terms and conditions of documents (1) through (4) above shall apply notwithstanding any additional or different terms and conditions in any other document, including without limitation, (i) any instrument submitted by the State other than a purchase order, (ii) any invoice or other document submitted by Contractor, or (iii) any privacy policy, terms of use, or end user agreement. Except as otherwise allowed by the solicitation, the terms and conditions of all such documents and any purchase orders shall be void and of no effect. (c) No contract, license, or other agreement containing contractual terms and conditions will be signed by any Using Governmental Unit. Any document signed or otherwise agreed to by persons other than the Procurement Officer shall be void and of no effect. [07-7A015-2]

DISCOUNT FOR PROMPT PAYMENT (JAN 2006)

(a) Discounts for prompt payment will not be considered in the evaluation of offers. However, any offered discount will form a part of the award, and will be taken if payment is made within the discount period indicated in the offer by the offeror. As an alternative to offering a discount for prompt payment in conjunction with the offer, offerors awarded contracts may include discounts for prompt payment on individual invoices.

(b) In connection with any discount offered for prompt payment, time shall be computed from the date of the invoice. If the Contractor has not placed a date on the invoice, the due date shall be calculated from the date the designated billing office receives a proper invoice, provided the state annotates such invoice with the date of receipt at the time of receipt. For the purpose of computing the discount earned, payment shall be considered to have been made on the date that appears on the payment check or, for an electronic funds transfer, the specified payment date. When the discount date falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday when Federal Government offices are closed and Government business is not expected to be conducted, payment may be made on the following business day.

[07-7A020-1]

DISPUTES (MAY 2024)

(1) Choice-of-Forum. All disputes, claims, or controversies relating to the Agreement shall be resolved exclusively by the appropriate Chief Procurement Officer in accordance with Title 11, Chapter 35, Article 17 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, or in the absence of jurisdiction, only in the Court of Common Pleas for, or a federal court located in, Richland County, State of South Carolina. Contractor agrees that any act by the government regarding the Agreement is not a waiver of either the government's sovereign immunity or the government's immunity under the Eleventh Amendment of the United States Constitution. As used in this paragraph, the term "Agreement" means any transaction or agreement arising out of, relating to, or contemplated by the solicitation. The government does not consent to the jurisdiction of any judicial or administrative tribunals in any other state or to any forum of alternative dispute resolution. (2) Service of Process. Contractor consents that any papers, notices, or process necessary or proper for the initiation or continuation of any disputes, claims, or controversies relating to the Agreement; for any court action in connection therewith; or for the entry of judgment on any award made, may be served on Contractor by certified mail (return receipt requested) addressed to Contractor at the address provided as the Notice Address on Page Two or by personal service or by any other manner that is permitted by law, in or outside South Carolina. Notice by certified mail is deemed duly given upon deposit in the United States mail. [07-7A025-2]

FALSE CLAIMS (JAN 2006)

According to the S.C. Code of Laws Section 16-13-240, "a person who by false pretense or representation obtains the signature of a person to a written instrument or obtains from another person any chattel, money, valuable security, or other property, real or personal, with intent to cheat and defraud a person of that property is guilty" of a crime. [07-7A035-1]

FIXED PRICING REQUIRED (JAN 2006)

Any pricing provided by contractor shall include all costs for performing the work associated with that price. Except as otherwise provided in this solicitation, contractor's price shall be fixed for the duration of this contract, including option terms. This clause does not prohibit contractor from offering lower pricing after award. [07-7A040-1]

NO INDEMNITY OR DEFENSE (FEB 2015)

Any term or condition is void to the extent it requires the State to indemnify, defend, or pay attorney's fees to anyone for any reason. [07-7A045-2]

NOTICE (MAY 2024)

(A) After award, any notices shall be in writing and shall be deemed duly given (1) upon actual delivery, if delivery is by hand, (2) upon receipt by the transmitting party of automated confirmation or answer back from the recipient's device if delivery is by telex, telegram, facsimile, or electronic mail, or (3) ten days after deposit into the United States mail, if postage is prepaid, a return receipt is requested, and either registered or certified mail is used. (B) Notice to contractor shall be to the address identified as the Notice Address on Page Two. Notice to the state shall be to the Procurement Officer's address on the Cover Page. Either party may designate a different address for notice by giving notice in accordance with this paragraph.

OPEN TRADE (JUN 2015)

During the contract term, including any renewals or extensions, Contractor will not engage in the boycott of a person or an entity based in or doing business with a jurisdiction with whom South Carolina can enjoy open trade, as defined in SC Code Section 11-35-5300. [07-7A053-1]

ORGANIZATIONAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST (APR 2023)

(a) The Contractor agrees to immediately advise the Procurement Officer if an actual or potential organizational conflict of interest is discovered after award, and to make a full written disclosure promptly thereafter to the Procurement Officer. This disclosure shall include a description of actions which the Contractor has taken or proposes to take, after consultation with the Procurement Officer, to avoid, mitigate, or neutralize the actual or potential conflict.

(b) The State may terminate this contract for convenience, in whole or in part, if it deems such termination necessary to avoid an organizational conflict of interest. Contractor's failure to include an appropriate termination for convenience clause in any subcontract shall not increase the obligation of the State beyond what it would have been if the subcontract had contained such a clause.

(c) The disclosure required by paragraph (a) of this provision is a material obligation of the contract. If the Contractor knew or should have known of an organizational conflict of interest prior to award, or discovers an actual or potential conflict after award, and does not disclose, or misrepresents, relevant information to the Procurement Officer, the State may terminate the contract for default. [07-7A054-1]

PAYMENT and INTEREST (MODIFIED)

The State shall pay the Contractor, after the submission of proper invoices or vouchers, the prices stipulated in this contract for supplies delivered and accepted or services rendered and accepted, less any deductions provided in this contract. Unless otherwise specified herein, including the purchase order, payment shall not be made on partial deliveries accepted by the Government.

(b) Notwithstanding any other provision, payment shall be made in accordance with S.C. Code Section 11-35-45, or Chapter 6 of Title 29 (real property improvements) when applicable, which provides the Contractor's exclusive means of recovering any type of interest from the Owner. Contractor waives imposition of an interest penalty unless the invoice submitted specifies that the late penalty is applicable. Except as set forth in this paragraph, the State shall not be liable for the payment of interest on any debt or claim arising out of or related to this contract for any reason.

(c) Amounts due to the State shall bear interest at the rate of interest established by the South Carolina Comptroller General pursuant to Section 11-35-45 (" an amount not to exceed fifteen percent each year "), as amended, unless otherwise required by Section 29-6-30.

(d) Any other basis for interest, including but not limited to general (pre- and post-judgment) or specific interest statutes, including S.C. Code Ann. Section 34-31-20, are expressly waived by both parties. If a court, despite this agreement and waiver, requires that interest be paid on any debt by either party other than as provided by items (c) and (d) above, the parties further agree that the applicable interest rate for any given calendar year shall be the lowest prime rate as listed in the first edition of the Wall Street Journal published for each year, applied as simple interest without compounding.

(e) The State shall have all of its common law, equitable and statutory rights of set-off. [07-7A055-4]

PUBLICITY (JAN 2006)

Contractor shall not publish any comments or quotes by State employees, or include the State in either news releases or a published list of customers, without the prior written approval of the Procurement Officer. [07-7A060-1]

PURCHASE ORDERS (JAN 2006)

Contractor shall not perform any work prior to the receipt of a purchase order from the using governmental unit. The using governmental unit shall order any supplies or services to be furnished under this contract by issuing a purchase order. Purchase orders may be used to elect any options available under this contract, e.g., quantity, item, delivery date, payment method, but are subject to all terms and conditions of this contract. Purchase orders may be electronic. No particular form is required. An order placed pursuant to the purchasing card provision qualifies as a purchase order. [07-7A065-1]

SURVIVAL OF OBLIGATIONS (JAN 2006)

The Parties' rights and obligations which, by their nature, would continue beyond the termination, cancellation, rejection, or expiration of this contract shall survive such termination, cancellation, rejection, or expiration, including, but not limited to, the rights and obligations created by the following clauses: Indemnification - Third Party Claims, Intellectual Property Indemnification, and any provisions regarding warranty or audit. [07-7A075-1]

TAXES (JAN 2006)

Any tax the contractor may be required to collect or pay upon the sale, use or delivery of the products shall be paid by the State, and such sums shall be due and payable to the contractor upon acceptance. Any personal property taxes levied after delivery shall be paid by the State. It shall be solely the State's obligation, after payment to contractor, to challenge the applicability of any tax by negotiation with, or action against, the taxing authority. Contractor agrees to refund any tax collected, which is subsequently determined not to be proper and for which a refund has been paid to contractor by the taxing authority. In the event that the contractor fails to pay, or delays in paying, to any taxing authorities, sums paid by the State to contractor, contractor shall be liable to the State for any loss (such as the assessment of additional interest) caused by virtue of this failure or delay. Taxes based on Contractor's net income or assets shall be the sole responsibility of the contractor. [07-7A080-1]

TERMINATION DUE TO UNAVAILABILITY OF FUNDS (JAN 2006)

Payment and performance obligations for succeeding fiscal periods shall be subject to the availability and appropriation of funds therefor. When funds are not appropriated or otherwise made available to support continuation of performance in a subsequent fiscal period, the contract shall be canceled. In the event of a cancellation pursuant to this paragraph, contractor will be reimbursed the resulting unamortized, reasonably incurred, nonrecurring costs. Contractor will not be reimbursed any costs amortized beyond the initial contract term. [07-7A085-1]

THIRD PARTY BENEFICIARY (JAN 2006)

This Contract is made solely and specifically among and for the benefit of the parties hereto, and their respective successors and assigns, and no other person will have any rights, interest, or claims hereunder or be entitled to any benefits under or on account of this Contract as a third party beneficiary or otherwise. [07-7A090-1]

WAIVER (JAN 2006)

The State does not waive any prior or subsequent breach of the terms of the Contract by making payments on the Contract, by failing to terminate the Contract for lack of performance, or by failing to strictly or promptly insist upon any term of the Contract. Only the Procurement Officer has actual authority to waive any of the State's rights under this Contract. Any waiver must be in writing. [07-7A095-1]

VII. TERMS AND CONDITIONS -- B. SPECIAL

CHANGES (JAN 2006)

(1) Contract Modification. By a written order, at any time, and without notice to any surety, the Procurement Officer may, subject to all appropriate adjustments, make changes within the general scope of this contract in any one or more of the following:

- (a) drawings, designs, or specifications, if the supplies to be furnished are to be specially manufactured for the [State] in accordance therewith;
- (b) method of shipment or packing;
- (c) place of delivery;
- (d) description of services to be performed;
- (e) time of performance (i.e., hours of the day, days of the week, etc.); or,
- (f) place of performance of the services. Subparagraphs (a) to (c) apply only if supplies are furnished under this contract. Subparagraphs (d) to (f) apply only if services are performed under this contract.

(2) Adjustments of Price or Time for Performance. If any such change increases or decreases the contractor's cost of, or the time required for, performance of any part of the work under this contract, whether or not changed by the order, an adjustment shall be made in the contract price, the delivery schedule, or both, and the contract modified in writing accordingly. Any adjustment in contract price made pursuant to this clause shall be determined in accordance with the Price Adjustment Clause of this contract. Failure of the parties to agree to an adjustment shall not excuse the contractor from proceeding with the contract as changed, provided that the State promptly and duly make such provisional adjustments in payment or time for performance as may be reasonable. By proceeding with the work, the contractor shall not be deemed to have prejudiced any claim for additional compensation, or an extension of time for completion.

(3) Time Period for Claim. Within 30 days after receipt of a written contract modification under Paragraph (1) of this clause, unless such period is extended by the Procurement Officer in writing, the contractor shall file notice of intent to assert a claim for an adjustment. Later notification shall not bar the contractor's claim unless the State is prejudiced by the delay in notification.

(4) Claim Barred After Final Payment. No claim by the contractor for an adjustment hereunder shall be allowed if notice is not given prior to final payment under this contract.

[07-7B025-1]

COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS (JAN 2006)

During the term of the contract, contractor shall comply with all applicable provisions of laws, codes, ordinances, rules, regulations, and tariffs. [07-7B035-1]

CONFERENCE – PRE-PERFORMANCE (JAN 2006)

Unless waived by the Procurement Officer, a pre-performance conference between the contractor, state and Procurement Officer shall be held at a location selected by the state within five (5) days after final award, and prior to commencement of work under the contract. The responsibilities of all parties involved will be discussed to assure a meeting of the minds of all concerned. The successful contractor or his duly authorized representative shall be required to attend at contractor's expense. [07-7B040-1]

CONTRACTOR'S LIABILITY INSURANCE - GENERAL (FEB 2015)

(a) Without limiting any of the obligations or liabilities of Contractor, Contractor shall procure from a company or companies lawfully authorized to do business in South Carolina and with a current A.M. Best rating of no less than A: VII, and maintain for the duration of the contract, insurance against claims for injuries to persons or damages to property which may arise from or in connection with the performance of the work and the results of that work by the contractor, his agents, representatives, employees or subcontractors.

(b) Coverage shall be at least as broad as:

(1) Commercial General Liability (CGL): Insurance Services Office (ISO) Form CG 00 01 12 07 covering CGL on an "occurrence" basis, including products-completed operations, personal and advertising injury, with limits no less than

\$1,000,000 per occurrence. If a general aggregate limit applies, the general aggregate limit shall be twice the required occurrence limit. This contract shall be considered to be an "insured contract" as defined in the policy.

(2) Auto Liability: ISO Form Number CA 00 01 covering any auto (Code 1), or if Contractor has no owned autos, hired, (Code 8) and non-owned autos (Code 9), with limits no less than \$1,000,000 per accident for bodily injury and property damage.

(3) Worker's Compensation: As required by the State of South Carolina, with Statutory Limits, and Employer's Liability Insurance with limit of no less than \$1,000,000 per accident for bodily injury or disease.

(c) Every applicable Using Governmental Unit, and the officers, officials, employees and volunteers of any of them, must be covered as additional insureds on the CGL policy with respect to liability arising out of work or operations performed by or on behalf of the Contractor including materials, parts or equipment furnished in connection with such work or operations. General liability coverage can be provided in the form of an endorsement to the Contractor's insurance at least as broad as ISO Form CG 20 10 11 85 or if not available, through the addition of both CG 20 10 and CG 20 37 if a later edition is used.

(d) For any claims related to this contract, the Contractor's insurance coverage shall be primary insurance as respects the State, every applicable Using Governmental Unit, and the officers, officials, employees and volunteers of any of them. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the State, every applicable Using Governmental Unit, or the officers, officials, employees and volunteers of any of them, shall be excess of the Contractor's insurance and shall not contribute with it.

(e) Prior to commencement of the work, the Contractor shall furnish the State with original certificates and amendatory endorsements or copies of the applicable policy language effecting coverage required by this section. All certificates are to be received and approved by the State before work commences. However, failure to obtain the required documents prior to the work beginning shall not waive the Contractor's obligation to provide them. The State reserves the right to require complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies, including endorsements required by this section, at any time.

(f) Should any of the above described policies be cancelled before the expiration date thereof, notice will be delivered in accordance with the policy provisions. In addition, the Contractor shall notify the State immediately upon receiving any information that any of the coverages required by this section are or will be changed, cancelled, or replaced.

(g) Contractor hereby grants to the State and every applicable Using Governmental Unit a waiver of any right to subrogation which any insurer of said Contractor may acquire against the State or applicable Using Governmental Unit by virtue of the payment of any loss under such insurance. Contractor agrees to obtain any endorsement that may be necessary to effect this waiver of subrogation, but this provision applies regardless of whether or not the State or Using Governmental Unit has received a waiver of subrogation endorsement from the insurer.

(h) Any deductibles or self-insured retentions must be declared to and approved by the State. The State may require the Contractor to purchase coverage with a lower deductible or retention or provide proof of ability to pay losses and related investigations, claim administration, and defense expenses within the retention.

(i) The State reserves the right to modify these requirements, including limits, based on the nature of the risk, prior experience, insurer, coverage, or other special circumstances.

[07-7B056-2]

CONTRACTOR PERSONNEL (JAN 2006)

The Contractor shall enforce strict discipline and good order among the Contractor's employees and other persons carrying out the Contract. The Contractor shall not permit employment of unfit persons or persons not skilled in tasks assigned to them. [07-7B060-1]

CONTRACTOR'S OBLIGATION -- GENERAL (JAN 2006)

The contractor shall provide and pay for all materials, tools, equipment, labor and professional and non-professional services, and shall perform all other acts and supply all other things necessary, to fully and properly perform and complete the work. The contractor must act as the prime contractor and assume full responsibility for any subcontractor's performance. The contractor will be considered the sole point of contact with regard to all situations, including payment of all charges and the meeting of all other requirements. [07-7B065-1]

CONTRACTOR'S USE OF STATE PROPERTY (JAN 2006)

Upon termination of the contract for any reason, the State shall have the right, upon demand, to obtain access to, and possession of, all State properties, including, but not limited to, current copies of all State application programs and necessary documentation, all data, files, intermediate materials and supplies held by the contractor. Contractor shall not use, reproduce, distribute, display, or sell any data, material, or documentation owned exclusively by the State without the State's written consent, except to the extent necessary to carry out the work. [07-7B067-1]

DEFAULT (JAN 2006)

(a) (1) The State may, subject to paragraphs (c) and (d) of this clause, by written notice of default to the Contractor, terminate this contract in whole or in part if the Contractor fails to:

(i) Deliver the supplies or to perform the services within the time specified in this contract or any extension;

(ii) Make progress, so as to endanger performance of this contract (but see paragraph (a)(2) of this clause); or

(iii) Perform any of the other material provisions of this contract (but see paragraph (a)(2) of this clause).

(2) The State's right to terminate this contract under subdivisions (a)(1)(ii) and (1)(iii) of this clause, may be exercised if the Contractor does not cure such failure within 10 days (or more if authorized in writing by the Procurement Officer) after receipt of the notice from the Procurement Officer specifying the failure.

(b) If the State terminates this contract in whole or in part, it may acquire, under the terms and in the manner the Procurement Officer considers appropriate, supplies or services similar to those terminated, and the Contractor will be liable to the State for any excess costs for those supplies or services. However, the Contractor shall continue the work not terminated.

(c) Except for defaults of subcontractors at any tier, the Contractor shall not be liable for any excess costs if the failure to perform the contract arises from causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor. Examples of such causes include (1) acts of God or of the public enemy, (2) acts of the State in either its sovereign or contractual capacity, (3) fires, (4) floods, (5) epidemics, (6) quarantine restrictions, (7) strikes, (8) freight embargoes, and (9) unusually severe weather. In each instance the failure to perform must be beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor.

(d) If the failure to perform is caused by the default of a subcontractor at any tier, and if the cause of the default is beyond the control of both the Contractor and subcontractor, and without the fault or negligence of either, the Contractor shall not be liable for any excess costs for failure to perform, unless the subcontracted supplies or services were obtainable from other sources in sufficient time for the Contractor to meet the required delivery schedule.

(e) If this contract is terminated for default, the State may require the Contractor to transfer title and deliver to the State, as directed by the Procurement Officer, any (1) completed supplies, and (2) partially completed supplies and materials, parts, tools, dies, jigs, fixtures, plans, drawings, information, and contract rights (collectively referred to as "manufacturing materials" in this clause) that the Contractor has specifically produced or acquired for the terminated portion of this contract. Upon direction of the Procurement Officer, the Contractor shall also protect and preserve property in its possession in which the State has an interest.

(f) The State shall pay contract price for completed supplies delivered and accepted. The Contractor and Procurement Officer shall agree on the amount of payment for manufacturing materials delivered and accepted and for the protection and preservation of the property; if the parties fail to agree, the Procurement Officer shall set an amount subject to the Contractor's rights under the Disputes clause. Failure to agree will be a dispute under the Disputes clause. The State may withhold from these amounts any sum the Procurement Officer determines to be necessary to protect the State against loss because of outstanding liens or claims of former lien holders.

(g) If, after termination, it is determined that the Contractor was not in default, or that the default was excusable, the rights and obligations of the parties shall, if the contract contains a clause providing for termination for convenience of the State, be the same as if the termination had been issued for the convenience of the State. If, in the foregoing circumstances, this contract does not contain a clause providing for termination for convenience of the State, the contract shall be adjusted to compensate for such termination and the contract modified accordingly subject to the contractor's rights under the Disputes clause.

(h) The rights and remedies of the State in this clause are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this contract.

[07-7B075-1]

ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION (NOV 2008)

(An overview is available at www.procurement.sc.gov) By signing your offer, you certify that you will comply with the applicable requirements of Title 8, Chapter 14 of the South Carolina Code of Laws and agree to provide to the State upon request any documentation required to establish either: (a) that Title 8, Chapter 14 is inapplicable to you and your subcontractors or sub-subcontractors; or (b) that you and your subcontractors or sub-subcontractors are in compliance with Title 8, Chapter 14. Pursuant to Section 8-14-60, "A person who knowingly makes or files any false, fictitious, or fraudulent document, statement, or report pursuant to this chapter is guilty of a felony, and, upon conviction, must be fined within the discretion of the court or imprisoned for not more than five years, or both." You agree to include in any contracts with your subcontractors language requiring your subcontractors to (a) comply with the applicable requirements of Title 8, Chapter 14, and (b) include in their contracts with the sub-subcontractors language requiring the sub-subcontractors to comply with the applicable requirements of Title 8, Chapter 14. [07-7B097-1]

INDEMNIFICATION-THIRD PARTY CLAIMS - GENERAL (NOV 2011)

Notwithstanding any limitation in this agreement, and to the fullest extent permitted by law, Contractor shall defend and hold harmless Indemnitees for and against any and all suits or claims of any character (and all related damages, settlement payments, attorneys' fees, costs, expenses, losses or liabilities) by a third party which are attributable to bodily injury, sickness, disease or death, or to injury to or destruction of tangible property arising out of or in connection with the goods or services acquired hereunder or caused in whole or in part by any act or omission of contractor, its subcontractors, their employees, workmen, servants, agents, or anyone directly or indirectly employed by them or anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable, regardless of whether or not caused in part by an Indemnitee, and whether or not such claims are made by a third party or an Indemnitee; however, if an Indemnitee's negligent act or omission is subsequently determined to be the sole proximate cause of a suit or claim, the Indemnitee shall not be entitled to indemnification hereunder. Contractor shall be given timely written notice of any suit or claim. Contractor's obligations hereunder are in no way limited by any protection afforded under workers' compensation acts, disability benefits acts, or other employee benefit acts. This clause shall not negate, abridge, or reduce any other rights or obligations of indemnity which would otherwise exist. The obligations of this paragraph shall survive termination, cancellation, or expiration of the parties' agreement. This provision shall be construed fairly and reasonably, neither strongly for nor against either party, and without regard to any clause regarding insurance. As used in this clause, "Indemnitees" means the State of South Carolina, its instrumentalities, agencies, departments, boards, political subdivisions and all their respective officers, agents and employees. [07-7B100-2]

LICENSES AND PERMITS (JAN 2006)

During the term of the contract, the Contractor shall be responsible for obtaining, and maintaining in good standing, all licenses (including professional licenses, if any), permits, inspections and related fees for each or any such licenses, permits and /or inspections required by the State, county, city or other government entity or unit to accomplish the work specified in this solicitation and the contract. [07-7B115-1]

PRICE ADJUSTMENTS (JAN 2006)

(1) Method of Adjustment. Any adjustment in the contract price made pursuant to a clause in this contract shall be consistent with this Contract and shall be arrived at through whichever one of the following ways is the most valid approximation of the actual cost to the Contractor (including profit, if otherwise allowed):

- (a) by agreement on a fixed price adjustment before commencement of the pertinent performance or as soon thereafter as practicable;
- (b) by unit prices specified in the Contract or subsequently agreed upon;
- (c) by the costs attributable to the event or situation covered by the relevant clause, including profit if otherwise allowed, all as specified in the Contract; or subsequently agreed upon;
- (d) in such other manner as the parties may mutually agree; or,
- (e) in the absence of agreement by the parties, through a unilateral initial written determination by the Procurement Officer of the costs attributable to the event or situation covered by the clause, including profit if otherwise allowed, all as computed by the Procurement Officer in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, subject to the provisions of Title 11, Chapter 35, Article 17 of the S.C. Code of Laws.

(2) Submission of Price or Cost Data. Upon request of the Procurement Officer, the contractor shall provide reasonably available factual information to substantiate that the price or cost offered, for any price adjustments is reasonable, consistent with the provisions of Section 11-35-1830.

PRICE ADJUSTMENT - LIMITED -- AFTER INITIAL TERM ONLY (JAN 2006)

Upon approval of the Procurement Officer, prices may be adjusted for any renewal term. Prices shall not be increased during the initial term. Any request for a price increase must be received by the Procurement Officer at least ninety (90) days prior to the expiration of the applicable term and must be accompanied by sufficient documentation to justify the increase. If approved, a price increase becomes effective starting with the term beginning after approval. A price increase must be executed as a change order. Contractor may terminate this contract at the end of the then current term if a price increase request is denied. Notice of termination pursuant to this paragraph must be received by the Procurement Officer no later than fifteen (15) days after the Procurement Officer sends contractor notice rejecting the requested price increase. [07-7B165-1]

PRICE ADJUSTMENTS -- LIMITED BY CPI "OTHER GOODS and SERVICES" (JAN 2006)

Upon request and adequate justification, the Procurement Officer may grant a price increase up to, but not to exceed, the unadjusted percent change for the most recent 12 months for which data is available, that is not subject to revision, in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for all urban consumers (CPI-U), "Other Goods & Services" for services, as determined by the Procurement Officer. The Bureau of Labor and Statistics publishes this information on the web at www.bls.gov [07-7B175-1]

PRICING DATA -- AUDIT -- INSPECTION (JAN 2006)

[Clause Included Pursuant to Section 11-35-1830, - 2210, & -2220] (a) Cost or Pricing Data. Upon Procurement Officer's request, you shall submit cost or pricing data, as defined by 48 C.F.R. Section 2.101 (2004), prior to either (1) any award to contractor pursuant to 11-35-1530 or 11-35-1560, if the total contract price exceeds \$500,000, or (2) execution of a change order or contract modification with contractor which exceeds \$100,000. Your price, including profit or fee, shall be adjusted to exclude any significant sums by which the state finds that such price was increased because you furnished cost or pricing data that was inaccurate, incomplete, or not current as of the date agreed upon between parties. (b) Records Retention. You shall maintain your records for three years from the date of final payment, or longer if requested by the chief Procurement Officer. The state may audit your records at reasonable times and places. As used in this subparagraph (b), the term "records" means any books or records that relate to cost or pricing data submitted pursuant to this clause. In addition to the obligation stated in this subparagraph (b), you shall retain all records and allow any audits provided for by 11-35-2220(2). (c) Inspection. At reasonable times, the state may inspect any part of your place of business which is related to performance of the work. (d) Instructions Certification. When you submit data pursuant to subparagraph (a), you shall (1) do so in accordance with the instructions appearing in Table 15-2 of 48 C.F.R. Section 15.408 (2004) (adapted as necessary for the state context), and (2) submit a Certificate of Current Cost or Pricing Data, as prescribed by 48 CFR Section 15.406-2(a) (adapted as necessary for the state context). (e) Subcontracts. You shall include the above text of this clause in all of your subcontracts. (f) Nothing in this clause limits any other rights of the state. [07-7B185-1]

RELATIONSHIP OF THE PARTIES (JAN 2006)

Neither party is an employee, agent, partner, or joint venturer of the other. Neither party has the right or ability to bind the other to any agreement with a third party or to incur any obligation or liability on behalf of the other party. [07-7B205-1]

TERM OF CONTRACT -- EFFECTIVE DATE / INITIAL CONTRACT PERIOD (JAN 2006)

The effective date of this contract is the first day of the Maximum Contract Period as specified on the final statement of award. The initial term of this agreement is 1-year(s), 0-months, 0-days from the effective date. Regardless, this contract expires no later than the last date stated on the final statement of award. [07-7B240-1]

TERM OF CONTRACT -- OPTION TO RENEW (FEB 2021)

At the end of the initial term, and at the end of each renewal term, this contract shall automatically renew for a period of 1-year(s), 0-month(s), and 0-day(s), unless contractor receives notice that the state elects not to renew the contract at least sixty (60) days prior to the date of renewal. Regardless, this contract expires no later than the last date stated on the final statement of award. [07-7B245-3]

TERM OF CONTRACT -- TERMINATION BY CONTRACTOR (JAN 2006)

Contractor may terminate this contract at the end of the initial term, or any renewal term, by providing the Procurement Officer notice of its election to terminate under this clause at least 90-days prior to the expiration of the then current term. [07-7B250-1]

TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE (JAN 2006)

(1) Termination. The Procurement Officer may terminate this contract in whole or in part, for the convenience of the State. The Procurement Officer shall give written notice of the termination to the contractor specifying the part of the contract terminated and when termination becomes effective.

(2) Contractor's Obligations. The contractor shall incur no further obligations in connection with the terminated work and on the date set in the notice of termination the contractor will stop work to the extent specified. The contractor shall also terminate outstanding orders and subcontracts as they relate to the terminated work. The contractor shall settle the liabilities and claims arising out of the termination of subcontracts and orders connected with the terminated work. The Procurement Officer may direct the contractor to assign the contractor's right, title, and interest under terminated orders or subcontracts to the State. The contractor must still complete the work not terminated by the notice of termination and may incur obligations as are necessary to do so.

(3) Right to Supplies. The Procurement Officer may require the contractor to transfer title and deliver to the State in the manner and to the extent directed by the Procurement Officer: (a) any completed supplies; and (b) such partially completed supplies and materials, parts, tools, dies, jigs, fixtures, plans, drawings, information, and contract rights (hereinafter called "manufacturing material") as the contractor has specifically produced or specially acquired for the performance of the terminated part of this contract. The contractor shall, upon direction of the Procurement Officer, protect and preserve property in the possession of the contractor in which the State has an interest. If the Procurement Officer does not exercise this right, the contractor shall use best efforts to sell such supplies and manufacturing materials in accordance with the standards of Uniform Commercial Code Section 2-706. Utilization of this Section in no way implies that the State has breached the contract by exercise of the Termination for Convenience Clause.

(4) Compensation. (a) The contractor shall submit a termination claim specifying the amounts due because of the termination for convenience together with cost or pricing data required by Section 11-35-1830 bearing on such claim. If the contractor fails to file a termination claim within one year from the effective date of termination, the Procurement Officer may pay the contractor, if at all, an amount set in accordance with Subparagraph (c) of this Paragraph.

(b) The Procurement Officer and the contractor may agree to a settlement and that the settlement does not exceed the total contract price plus settlement costs reduced by payments previously made by the State, the proceeds of any sales of supplies and manufacturing materials under Paragraph (3) of this clause, and the contract price of the work not terminated;

(c) Absent complete agreement under Subparagraph (b) of this Paragraph, the Procurement Officer shall pay the contractor the following amounts, provided payments agreed to under Subparagraph (b) shall not duplicate payments under this Subparagraph:

(i) contract prices for supplies or services accepted under the contract;

(ii) costs reasonably incurred in performing the terminated portion of the work less amounts paid or to be paid for accepted supplies or services;

(iii) reasonable costs of settling and paying claims arising out of the termination of subcontracts or orders pursuant to Paragraph (2) of this clause. These costs must not include costs paid in accordance with Subparagraph (c)(ii) of this paragraph;

(iv) any other reasonable costs that have resulted from the termination. The total sum to be paid the contractor under this Subparagraph shall not exceed the total contract price plus the reasonable settlement costs of the contractor reduced by the amount of payments otherwise made, the proceeds of any sales of supplies and manufacturing materials under Subparagraph (b) of this Paragraph, and the contract price of work not terminated.

(d) Contractor must demonstrate any costs claimed, agreed to, or established under Subparagraphs (b) and (c) of this Paragraph using its standard record keeping system, provided such system is consistent with any applicable Generally Accepted Accounting Principles.

(5) Contractor's failure to include an appropriate termination for convenience clause in any subcontract shall not (i) affect the State's right to require the termination of a subcontract, or (ii) increase the obligation of the State beyond what it would have been if the subcontract had contained an appropriate clause.

[07-7B265-1]

VIII. BIDDING SCHEDULE / PRICE-BUSINESS PROPOSAL

BIDDING SCHEDULE (NOV 2007)

Line Number	Quantity	Unit of Measure	Unit Price	Extended Price
0001	12.000	Months		
Product Catg.: 99046 - Guard and Security Services				
Item Description: Unarmed Security Services for Airport Campus				

Line Number	Quantity	Unit of Measure	Unit Price	Extended Price
0002	12.000	Months		
Product Catg.: 99046 - Guard and Security Services				
Item Description: Unarmed Security Services for Beltline Campus				

Line Number	Quantity	Unit of Measure	Unit Price	Extended Price
0003	12.000	Months		
Product Catg.: 99046 - Guard and Security Services				
Item Description: Unarmed Security Services for Harbison Campus				

Line Number	Quantity	Unit of Measure	Unit Price	Extended Price
0004	12.000	Months		
Product Catg.: 99046 - Guard and Security Services				
Item Description: Unarmed Security Services for Northeast				

Line Number	Quantity	Unit of Measure	Unit Price	Extended Price
0005	12.000	Months		
Product Catg.: 99046 - Guard and Security Services				
Item Description: Unarmed Security Services for Batesburg				

Line Number	Quantity	Unit of Measure	Unit Price	Extended Price
0006	12.000	Months		
Product Catg.: 99046 - Guard and Security Services				
Item Description: Unarmed Security Services for Fairfield				

IX. ATTACHMENTS TO SOLICITATION

ATTACHMENTS LIST [09-9002-1]

The following documents are attached to this solicitation:

Attachment A – Airport Campus Map

Attachment B – Batesburg-Leesville Campus Map

Attachment C - Beltline Campus Map

Attachment D – Fairfield Campus Map

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Attachment E – Harbison Campus Map

Attachment F – North Lake Campus Map

Attachment G – Northeast Campus Map

IMPORTANT TAX NOTICE - NONRESIDENTS ONLY

Withholding Requirements for Payments to Nonresidents: Section 12-8-550 of the South Carolina Code of Laws requires persons hiring or contracting with a nonresident conducting a business or performing personal services of a temporary nature within South Carolina to withhold 2% of each payment made to the nonresident. The withholding requirement does not apply to (1) payments on purchase orders for tangible personal property when the payments are not accompanied by services to be performed in South Carolina, (2) nonresidents who are not conducting business in South Carolina, (3) nonresidents for contracts that do not exceed \$10,000 in a calendar year, or (4) payments to a nonresident who (a) registers with either the S.C. Department of Revenue or the S.C. Secretary of State and (b) submits a Nonresident Taxpayer Registration Affidavit - Income Tax Withholding, Form I-312 to the person letting the contract.

The withholding requirement applies to every governmental entity that uses a contract ("Using Entity"). Nonresidents should submit a separate copy of the Nonresident Taxpayer Registration Affidavit - Income Tax Withholding, Form I-312 to every Using Entity that makes payment to the nonresident pursuant to this solicitation. Once submitted, an affidavit is valid for all contracts between the nonresident and the Using Entity, unless the Using Entity receives notice from the Department of Revenue that the exemption from withholding has been revoked.

Section 12-8-540 requires persons making payment to a nonresident taxpayer of rentals or royalties at a rate of \$1,200.00 or more a year for the use of or for the privilege of using property in South Carolina to withhold 7% of the total of each payment made to a nonresident taxpayer who is not a corporation and 5% if the payment is made to a corporation. Contact the Department of Revenue for any applicable exceptions.

For information about other withholding requirements (e.g., employee withholding), contact the South Carolina Department of Revenue at 1-844-898-8542 or visit the Department's website at: www.dor.sc.gov

This notice is for informational purposes only. This agency does not administer and has no authority over tax issues. All registration and withholding tax questions should be directed to the South Carolina Department of Revenue at 1-844-898-8542. Additional contact information can be found by visiting the Department's website at www.dor.sc.gov

PLEASE SEE THE "NONRESIDENT TAXPAYER REGISTRATION AFFIDAVIT INCOME TAX WITHHOLDING" FORM (FORM NUMBER I-312) LOCATED AT: www.dor.sc.gov

[09-9005-5]

OFFEROR'S CHECKLIST -- AVOID COMMON BID/PROPOSAL MISTAKES


Review this checklist prior to submitting your bid/proposal.

If you fail to follow this checklist, you risk having your bid/proposal rejected.

- Do not include any of your standard contract forms!
- Unless expressly required, do not include any additional boilerplate contract clauses.
- Reread your entire bid/proposal to make sure your bid/proposal does not take exception to any of the state's mandatory requirements.
- Make sure you have properly marked all protected, confidential, or trade secret information in accordance with the instructions entitled: SUBMITTING CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION. **DO NOT mark your entire bid/proposal as confidential, trade secret, or protected! Do not include a legend on the cover stating that your entire response is not to be released!**
- Have you properly acknowledged all amendments? Instructions regarding how to acknowledge an amendment should appear in all amendments issued.
- Make sure your bid/proposal includes a copy of the solicitation cover page. Make sure the cover page is signed by a person that is authorized to contractually bind your business.
- Make sure your Bid/proposal includes the number of copies requested.
- Check to ensure your Bid/proposal includes everything requested!
- If you have concerns about the solicitation, do not raise those concerns in your response! **After opening, it is too late! If this solicitation includes a pre-bid/proposal conference or a question & answer period, raise your questions as a part of that process!** Please see instructions under the heading "submission of questions" and any provisions regarding pre-bid/proposal conferences.

[09-9010-1]

Exhibit C

	State of South Carolina Best Value Bid Amendment 2	Solicitation: 5400027563 Date Issued: 12/16/2024 Procurement Officer: BRYANNA MCCAIN Phone: (803)737-0983 E-Mail Address: bmccain@mmo.sc.gov Mailing Address: SFAA, Div. of Procurement Services 1201 Main Street, Suite 601 Columbia SC 29201

DESCRIPTION: **UNARMED SECURITY SERVICES FOR MTC**

USING GOVERNMENTAL UNIT: **Midlands Technical College**

The Term "Offer" Means Your "Bid" or "Proposal". Your offer must be submitted in a sealed package. Solicitation Number & Opening Date must appear on package exterior. See "Submitting Your Paper Offer or Modification" provision.

SUBMIT YOUR SEALED OFFER TO EITHER OF THE FOLLOWING ADDRESSES:

MAILING ADDRESS: SFAA, Div. of Procurement Services 1201 Main Street, Suite 601 Columbia SC 29201	PHYSICAL ADDRESS: SFAA, Div. of Procurement Services 1201 Main Street, Suite 600 Columbia SC 29201
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SUBMIT OFFER BY (Opening Date/Time): **01/08/2025 11:00 AM EST** (See "Deadline for Submission of Offer" provision)

QUESTIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY: ~~12/06/2024 12:00 PM EST~~ (See "Questions from Offerors" provision)

NUMBER OF COPIES TO BE SUBMITTED: **1: Online Bidding Preferred. One (1) Electronic Technical marked "Original", One (1) Redacted Electronic Technical Copy marked "Redacted", One (1) Electronic Price marked "Original", and One (1) Electronic Price Copy marked "Copy"** See Section II. A "DISCLOSURE OF YOUR BID / PROPOSAL and SUBMITTING CONFIDENTIAL DATA, Section II. B "Electronic Copies- Required Media and Format"

Initial here _____ if a redacted copy is NOT necessary

CONFERENCE TYPE: Not Applicable DATE & TIME: (As appropriate, see "Conferences - Pre-Bid/Proposal" & "Site Visit" provisions)	LOCATION: Not Applicable
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AWARD & AMENDMENTS	Award will be posted on 02/14/2025 . The award, this solicitation, any amendments, and any related notices will be posted at the following web address: http://www.procurement.sc.gov
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You must submit a signed copy of this form with Your Offer. By signing, You agree to be bound by the terms of the Solicitation. You agree to hold Your Offer open for a minimum of ninety (90) calendar days after the Opening Date. (See "Signing Your Offer" provision.)

NAME OF OFFEROR (full legal name of business submitting the offer)	Any award issued will be issued to, and the contract will be formed with, the entity identified as the Offeror. The entity named as the offeror must be a single and distinct legal entity. Do not use the name of a branch office or a division of a larger entity if the branch or division is not a separate legal entity, i.e., a separate corporation, partnership, sole proprietorship, etc.
AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE (Person must be authorized to submit binding offer to contract on behalf of Offeror.)	DATE SIGNED
TITLE (business title of person signing above)	STATE VENDOR NO. (Register to Obtain S.C. Vendor No. at www.procurement.sc.gov)
PRINTED NAME (printed name of person signing above)	STATE OF INCORPORATION (If you are a corporation, identify the state of incorporation.)

OFFEROR'S TYPE OF ENTITY: (Check one) (See "Signing Your Offer" provision.)

☐ Sole Proprietorship ☐ Partnership ☐ Other _____

☐ Corporate entity (not tax-exempt) ☐ Corporation (tax-exempt) ☐ Government entity (federal, state, or local)

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IMPORTANT NOTICE: In order to make the solicitation document easier to read, the state has opted to issue a completely new document. This approach has been selected to ensure the clarity of the contract documents during both the “Pre-Award” and “Post Award” phases of this procurement. Prospective Offerors should discard the original solicitation document and use this document when preparing their on-line bids.

To assist your review of the amendment, we have endeavored to highlight changes in yellow. To use this feature, Offerors will need to view the electronic version of this document.

Despite our best efforts, there is a chance that a change was inadvertently left unhighlighted. Therefore, Offerors are cautioned that they are responsible to review the content of the entire document and cannot rely detrimentally on highlights identifying all changes.

I. SCOPE OF SOLICITATION

ACQUIRE SERVICES (JAN 2006)

The State Fiscal Accountability Authority Office of Procurement Services (SFAA-OPS) on behalf of Midlands Technical College is seeking to procure the contractual services of a security firm to provide unarmed security officers for the referenced campuses.

MAXIMUM CONTRACT PERIOD - ESTIMATED (JAN 2006)

Start date: 02/25/2025 End date: 02/24/2030.

Dates provided are estimates only. Any resulting contract will begin on the date specified in the notice of award. See clause entitled "Term of Contract - Effective Date/Initial Contract Period". [01-1040-1]

The initial term of the contract will be one (1) year contract with four (4) one-year renewal options resulting in a maximum contract term of five (5) years.

II. INSTRUCTIONS TO OFFERORS - A. GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

DEFINITIONS, CAPITALIZATION, AND HEADINGS (MAY 2024)

DEFINITIONS, CAPITALIZATION, AND HEADINGS (MAY 2024) CLAUSE HEADINGS USED IN THIS SOLICITATION ARE FOR CONVENIENCE ONLY AND WILL NOT BE USED TO CONSTRUE MEANING OR INTENT. EVEN IF NOT CAPITALIZED, THE FOLLOWING DEFINITIONS APPLY TO ALL PARTS OF THE SOLICITATION, UNLESS EXPRESSLY PROVIDED OTHERWISE.

AMENDMENT means a document issued to supplement the original solicitation document.

AUTHORITY means the State Fiscal Accountability Authority or its successor in interest.

BUSINESS means any corporation, partnership, individual, sole proprietorship, joint stock company, joint venture, or any other legal entity. [11-35-310(3)]

CHANGE ORDER means any written alteration in specifications, delivery point, rate of delivery, period of performance, price, quantity, or other provisions of any contract accomplished by mutual agreement of the parties to the contract. [11-35-310(5)]

CONTRACT See clause entitled Contract Documents & Order of Precedence.

CONTRACT MODIFICATION means a written order signed by the procurement officer, directing the contractor to make changes which the clause of the contract titled "Changes," if included herein, authorizes the Procurement Officer to order without the consent of the contractor. [11-35-310(9)]

CONTRACTOR means the Offeror receiving an award as a result of this solicitation.

COVER PAGE means the top page of the original solicitation on which the solicitation is identified by number. Offerors are cautioned that Amendments may modify information provided on the Cover Page.

OFFER means the bid or proposal submitted in response this solicitation. The terms Bid and Proposal are used interchangeably with the term Offer.

OFFEROR means the single legal entity submitting the offer. The term Bidder is used interchangeably with the term Offeror. See bidding provisions entitled Signing Your Offer and Bid/Proposal As Offer To Contract.

PAGE TWO means the second page of the original solicitation, which is labeled Page Two.

PROCUREMENT OFFICER means the person, or his successor, identified as such on either the Cover Page, an amendment, or an award notice.

YOU and YOUR means Offeror.

SOLICITATION means this document, including all its parts, attachments, and any Amendments.

STATE means the Using Governmental Unit(s) identified on the Cover Page.

SUBCONTRACTOR means any person you contract with to perform or provide any part of the work. US or WE means the using governmental unit.

USING GOVERNMENTAL UNIT means the unit(s) of government identified as such on the Cover Page. If the Cover Page identifies the Using Governmental Unit as "Statewide Contract," either optional or mandatory, the phrase "Using Governmental Unit" means any South Carolina Public Procurement Unit [11-35-4610(5)] that has submitted a Purchase Order to you pursuant to the contract resulting from this solicitation. Reference the clauses titled "Purchase Orders" and "Statewide Contract."

WORK means all labor, materials, equipment, services, or property of any type, provided or to be provided by the Contractor to fulfill the Contractor's obligations under the Contract. [02-2A003-4]

AMENDMENTS TO SOLICITATION (JAN 2004)

(a) The Solicitation may be amended at any time prior to opening. All actual and prospective Offerors should monitor the following web site for the issuance of Amendments: www.procurement.sc.gov (b) Offerors shall acknowledge receipt of any amendment to this solicitation (1) by signing and returning the amendment, (2) by identifying the amendment number and date in the space provided for this purpose on Page Two, (3) by letter, or (4) by submitting a bid that indicates in some way that the bidder received the amendment. (c) If this solicitation is amended, then all terms and conditions which are not modified remain unchanged. [02-2A005-1]

AUTHORIZED AGENT (FEB 2015)

All authority regarding this procurement is vested solely with the responsible Procurement Officer. Unless specifically delegated in writing, the Procurement Officer is the only government official authorized to bind the government with regard to this procurement or the resulting contract. [02-2A007-1]

AWARD NOTIFICATION (MAR 2024)

Notice regarding any award, cancellation of award, or extension of award will be posted at the location and on the date specified on the Cover Page or, if applicable, the most recent notice of extension of award. Should the contract resulting from this Solicitation have a total or potential value more than one hundred thousand dollars, such notice will be sent electronically to all Offerors responding to the Solicitation. Unless a written notice of intent to protest is timely filed pursuant to Section 11-35-4210(1)(b) or the award is otherwise suspended or canceled, the award will be effective on the calendar day (including weekends and holidays) immediately following the seventh business day after such notice is given. [02-2A010-3]

BID/PROPOSAL AS OFFER TO CONTRACT (JAN 2004)

By submitting Your Bid or Proposal, You are offering to enter into a contract with the Using Governmental Unit(s). Without further action by either party, a binding contract shall result upon final award. Any award issued will be issued to, and the contract will be formed with, the entity identified as the Offeror on the Cover Page. An Offer may be submitted by only one legal entity; "joint bids" are not allowed. [02-2A015-1]

BID ACCEPTANCE PERIOD (JAN 2004)

In order to withdraw Your Offer after the minimum period specified on the Cover Page, You must notify the Procurement Officer in writing. [02-2A020-1]

BID IN ENGLISH and DOLLARS (JAN 2004)

Offers submitted in response to this solicitation shall be in the English language and in US dollars, unless otherwise permitted by the Solicitation. [02-2A025-1]

AUTHORITY AS PROCUREMENT AGENT (DEC 2015)

The Procurement Officer is an employee of the Authority acting on behalf of the Using Governmental Unit(s) pursuant to the Consolidated Procurement Code. Any contracts awarded as a result of this procurement are between the Contractor and the Using Governmental Units(s). The Authority is not a party to such contracts, unless and to the extent that the Authority is a using governmental unit, and bears no liability for any party's losses arising out of or relating in any way to the contract. [02-2A030-3]

CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT PRICE DETERMINATION (MAR 2024)

GIVING FALSE, MISLEADING, OR INCOMPLETE INFORMATION ON THIS CERTIFICATION MAY RENDER YOU SUBJECT TO PROSECUTION UNDER SECTION 16-9-10 OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS AND OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS.

(a) By submitting an offer, the offeror certifies that-

(1) The prices in this offer have been arrived at independently, without, for the purpose of restricting competition, any consultation, communication, or agreement with any other offeror or competitor relating to—

(i) Those prices;

(ii) The intention to submit an offer; or

(iii) The methods or factors used to calculate the prices offered.

(2) The prices in this offer have not been and will not be knowingly disclosed by the offeror, directly or indirectly, to any other offeror or competitor before bid opening (in the case of a sealed bid solicitation) or contract award (in the case of a negotiated solicitation) unless otherwise required by law; and

(3) No attempt has been made or will be made by the offeror to induce any other concern to submit or not to submit an offer for the purpose of restricting competition.

(b) Each signature on the offer is considered to be a certification by the signatory that the signatory-

(1) Is the person in the offeror's organization responsible for determining the prices being offered in this bid or proposal, and that the signatory has not participated and will not participate in any action contrary to paragraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) of this certification; or

(2)(i) Has been authorized, in writing, to act as agent for the offeror's principals in certifying that those principals have not participated, and will not participate in any action contrary to paragraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) of this certification [As used in this subdivision (b)(2)(i), the term "principals" means the person(s) in the offeror's organization responsible for determining the prices offered in this bid or proposal];

(ii) As an authorized agent, does certify that the principals referenced in subdivision (b)(2)(i) of this certification have not participated, and will not participate, in any action contrary to paragraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) of this certification; and

(iii) As an agent, has not personally participated, and will not participate, in any action contrary to paragraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) of this certification.

(c) If the offeror deletes or modifies paragraph (a)(2) of this certification, the offeror must furnish with its offer a signed statement setting forth in detail the circumstances of the disclosure. [02-2A032-2]

CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT AND OTHER RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS (JAN 2004)

(a) (1) By submitting an Offer, Offeror certifies, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that-

(i) Offeror and/or any of its Principals-

(A) Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, or declared ineligible for the award of contracts by any state or federal agency;

(B) Have not, within a three-year period preceding this offer, been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for: commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, state, or local) contract or subcontract; violation of Federal or state antitrust statutes relating to the submission of offers; or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, tax evasion, or receiving stolen property; and

(C) Are not presently indicted for, or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity with, commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (a)(1)(i)(B) of this provision.

(ii) Offeror has not, within a three-year period preceding this offer, had one or more contracts terminated for default by any public (Federal, state, or local) entity.

(2) "Principals," for the purposes of this certification, means officers; directors; owners; partners; and, persons having primary management or supervisory responsibilities within a business entity (e.g., general manager; plant manager; head of a subsidiary, division, or business segment, and similar positions).

(b) Offeror shall provide immediate written notice to the Procurement Officer if, at any time prior to contract award, Offeror learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.

(c) If Offeror is unable to certify the representations stated in paragraphs (a)(1), Offer must submit a written explanation regarding its inability to make the certification. The certification will be considered in connection with a review of the Offeror's responsibility. Failure of the Offeror to furnish additional information as requested by the Procurement Officer may render the Offeror non-responsible.

(d) Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render, in good faith, the certification required by paragraph (a) of this provision. The knowledge and information of an Offeror is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.

(e) The certification in paragraph (a) of this provision is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when making award. If it is later determined that the Offeror knowingly or in bad faith rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the State, the Procurement Officer may terminate the contract resulting from this solicitation for default.

[02-2A035-1]

CODE OF LAWS AVAILABLE (JAN 2006)

The South Carolina Code of Laws, including the Consolidated Procurement Code, is available at:

<http://www.scstatehouse.gov/code/statmast.php>

The South Carolina Regulations are available at:
<http://www.scstatehouse.gov/coderegs/statmast.php>

[02-2A040-2]

DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST OR UNFAIR COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGE (JUL 2023)

DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST OR UNFAIR COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGE (JUL 2023)
("OCI FAQ for Contractors" is available at www.procurement.sc.gov)

- (a) You certify that, after reasonable inquiry, to the best of your knowledge and belief: (1) your offer identifies any services that relate to either this solicitation or the work and that have already been performed by you, a proposed subcontractor, or an affiliated business or consultant of either; and (2) there are no relevant facts or circumstances that may give rise to an actual or potential organizational conflict of interest, as defined in S.C. Code Ann. Reg. 19-445.2127, or that your offer identifies and explains any unfair competitive advantage you may have in competing for the proposed contract and any actual or potential conflicts of interest that may arise from your participation in this competition or your receipt of an award.
- (b) If you, a proposed subcontractor, or an affiliated business or consultant of either, have an unfair competitive advantage or an actual or potential conflict of interest, the State may withhold award. Before withholding award on these grounds, the State will notify you of the concerns and provide a reasonable opportunity for you to respond. The State may consider efforts to avoid or mitigate such concerns, including restrictions on future activities.
- (c) The certification in paragraph (a) of this provision is a material representation of fact upon which the State will rely when considering your offer for award. [02-2A047-3]

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF OFFER (JAN 2004)

Any offer received after the Procurement Officer of the governmental body or his designee has declared that the time set for opening has arrived, shall be rejected unless the offer has been delivered to the designated purchasing office or the governmental body's mail room which services that purchasing office prior to the opening. [R.19-445.2070(G)] [02-2A050-1]

DRUG FREE WORKPLACE CERTIFICATION (JAN 2004)

By submitting an Offer, Contractor certifies that, if awarded a contract, Contractor will comply with all applicable provisions of The Drug-free Workplace Act, Title 44, Chapter 107 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, as amended. [02-2A065-1]

DUTY TO INQUIRE (FEB 2015)

Offeror, by submitting an Offer, represents that it has read and understands the Solicitation and that its Offer is made in compliance with the Solicitation. Offerors are expected to examine the Solicitation thoroughly and should request an explanation of any ambiguities, discrepancies, errors, omissions, or conflicting statements in the Solicitation. Failure to do so will be at the Offeror's risk. All ambiguities, discrepancies, errors, omissions, or conflicting statements in the Solicitation shall be interpreted to require the better quality or greater quantity of work and/or materials, unless otherwise directed by amendment. Offeror assumes responsibility for any patent ambiguity in the Solicitation that Offeror does not bring to the State's attention. See clause entitled "Questions from Offerors." [02-2A070-2]

ETHICS CERTIFICATE (MAY 2008)

By submitting an offer, the offeror certifies that the offeror has and will comply with, and has not, and will not, induce a person to violate Title 8, Chapter 13 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, as amended (ethics act). The following statutes require special attention: Section 8-13-700, regarding use of official position for financial gain; Section 8-13-705, regarding gifts to influence action of public official; Section 8-13-720, regarding offering money for advice or assistance of public official; Sections 8-13-755 and 8-13-760, regarding restrictions on employment by former public official; Section 8-13-775, prohibiting public official with economic interests from acting on contracts; Section 8-13-790, regarding recovery of kickbacks; Section 8-13-1150, regarding statements to be filed by consultants; and Section 8-13-1342, regarding restrictions on contributions by contractor to candidate who participated in awarding of contract. The state may rescind any contract and recover all amounts expended as a result of any action taken in violation of this provision. If contractor participates, directly

or indirectly, in the evaluation or award of public contracts, including without limitation, change orders or task orders regarding a public contract, contractor shall, if required by law to file such a statement, provide the statement required by Section 8-13-1150 to the procurement officer at the same time the law requires the statement to be filed. [02-2A075-2]

MULTIPLE OFFERS (MAR 2024)

Offerors may submit more than one Offer, provided that each Offer has significant differences other than price. Each separate Offer must satisfy all Solicitation requirements. If this solicitation is an Invitation for Bids, each separate offer must be submitted or uploaded as a separate document and must clearly indicate that it is a separate offer. If this solicitation is a Request for Proposals, multiple offers may be submitted or uploaded as one document, provided that you clearly differentiate between each offer and you submit a separate cost proposal for each offer, if applicable. [02-2A079-1]

PRICING (MAR 2024)

(a) Fixed Price. If a fixed price is required, award will not be made on an Offer if the total possible price to the State cannot be determined. (b) Price Reasonableness: Any offer may be rejected if the Procurement Officer determines in writing that it is unreasonable as to price. (c) Unbalanced Pricing. The State will analyze all offers with separately priced line items or subline items to determine if the prices are unbalanced. Unbalanced pricing exists when, despite an acceptable total evaluated price, the price of one or more line items is significantly over or understated. The responsible procurement officer may reject an offer as unreasonably priced if she determines that unbalanced pricing increases performance risk (e.g., it is so unbalanced as to be tantamount to allowing an advance payment) or could result in payment of unreasonably high prices. S.C. Code Ann. Reg. 19-445.2122C. [02-2A082-2]

OMIT TAXES FROM PRICE (JAN 2004)

Do not include any sales or use taxes in Your price that the State may be required to pay. [02-2A080-1]

OPEN TRADE REPRESENTATION (JUN 2015)

By submitting an Offer, Offeror represents that Offeror is not currently engaged in the boycott of a person or an entity based in or doing business with a jurisdiction with whom South Carolina can enjoy open trade, as defined in SC Code Section 11-35-5300. [02-2A083-1]

PROTESTS (MAY 2024)

(a) If you are aggrieved in connection with the solicitation or award of the contract, you may be entitled to protest, but only as provided in Section 11-35-4210. To protest the solicitation or an amendment, your written protest must be received within fifteen Days of the date the applicable solicitation document is issued. To protest an award, (i) written notice of your intent to protest must be received within seven Business Days of the date the award notice is posted, and (ii) your actual written protest must be received within fifteen Days of the date the award notice is posted. Time periods are computed in accordance with Section 11-35-310(13) and the definitions for Day and Business Day. Both protests and notices of intent to protest must be received by the appropriate Chief Procurement Officer (CPO). See clause entitled "Protest-CPO." (b) Pursuant to Section 11-35-410, documents directly connected to a procurement activity may be available within five days after request. All document requests should be directed to DocReq@mmo.sc.gov (.). If a protest is pending, the protestant's lawyer may access otherwise unavailable information by applying to the CPO for the issuance of a protective order. Additional information is available at www.procurement.sc.gov/legal [02-2A085-3]

PROHIBITED COMMUNICATIONS AND DONATIONS (FEB 2015)

Violation of these restrictions may result in disqualification of your offer, suspension or debarment, and may constitute a violation of law.

(a) During the period between publication of the solicitation and final award, ***you must not communicate, directly or indirectly, with the Using Governmental Unit or its employees, agents or officials regarding any aspect of this procurement activity,*** unless otherwise approved in writing by the Procurement Officer. All communications must be solely with the Procurement Officer. [R. 19-445.2010]

(b) You are advised to familiarize yourself with Regulation 19-445.2165, which restricts donations to a governmental entity with whom you have or seek to have a contract. ***You represent that your offer discloses any gifts made, directly or through an intermediary, by you or your named subcontractors to or for the benefit of the Using Governmental Unit during the period beginning eighteen months prior to the Opening Date.*** [R. 19-445.2165] [02-2A087-1]

PUBLIC OPENING (JAN 2004)

Offers will be publicly opened at the date/time and at the location identified on the Cover Page, or last Amendment, whichever is applicable. [02-2A090-1]

QUESTIONS FROM OFFERORS (FEB 2015)

(a) Any prospective offeror desiring an explanation or interpretation of the solicitation, drawings, specifications, etc., must request it in writing. Questions regarding the original solicitation or any amendment must be received by the Procurement Officer no later than five (5) days prior to opening unless an earlier date is stated on the Cover Page. Label any communication regarding your questions with the name of the procurement officer, and the solicitation's title and number. Oral explanations or instructions will not be binding. [See R. 19-445.2042(B)] Any information given a prospective offeror concerning a solicitation will be furnished promptly to all other prospective offerors as an Amendment to the solicitation, if that information is necessary for submitting offers or if the lack of it would be prejudicial to other prospective offerors. See clause entitled "Duty to Inquire." **We will not identify you in our answer to your question.** (b) The State seeks to permit maximum practicable competition. Offerors are urged to advise the Procurement Officer -- as soon as possible -- regarding any aspect of this procurement, including any aspect of the Solicitation that unnecessarily or inappropriately limits full and open competition. [See R. 19-445.2140] [02-2A095-2]

IMPORTANT:

All questions should be submitted in writing and received by the Procurement Officer for this solicitation no later than the date and time listed on Cover Page One.

Email is the preferred method for communicating with the procurement officer. **Title the "Subject Line" of your email: "Bid 5400027563 Questions".**

Email: bmccain@mmo.sc.gov

Questions must be submitted in an easily copied format such as MS Word. Please do not place your questions in tables.

REJECTION/CANCELLATION (JAN 2004)

The State may cancel this solicitation in whole or in part. The State may reject any or all proposals in whole or in part. [SC Code Section 11-35-1710 & R.19-445.2065] [02-2A100-1]

RESPONSIVENESS (MAR 2024)

(a) Award will not be made on a nonresponsive offer. An offer is nonresponsive (i) if it does not constitute an unambiguous offer to enter into a contract with the State, or (ii) if it imposes conditions inconsistent with, or does not unambiguously agree to, the solicitation's material requirements. (b) Bid as Specified. Offers for supplies or services other than those specified will not be considered unless authorized by the Solicitation. [02-2A105- 3]

SIGNING YOUR OFFER (JAN 2004)

Every Offer must be signed by an individual with actual authority to bind the Offeror. (a) If the Offeror is an individual, the Offer must be signed by that individual. If the Offeror is an individual doing business as a firm, the Offer must be submitted in the firm name, signed by the individual, and state that the individual is doing business as a firm. (b) If the Offeror is a

partnership, the Offer must be submitted in the partnership name, followed by the words by its Partner, and signed by a general partner. (c) If the Offeror is a corporation, the Offer must be submitted in the corporate name, followed by the signature and title of the person authorized to sign. (d) An Offer may be submitted by a joint venturer involving any combination of individuals, partnerships, or corporations. If the Offeror is a joint venture, the Offer must be submitted in the name of the Joint Venture and signed by every participant in the joint venture in the manner prescribed in paragraphs (a) through (c) above for each type of participant. (e) If an Offer is signed by an agent, other than as stated in subparagraphs (a) through (d) above, the Offer must state that it has been signed by an Agent. Upon request, Offeror must provide proof of the agent's authorization to bind the principal. [02-2A115-1]

STATE OFFICE CLOSINGS (JAN 2004)

If an emergency or unanticipated event interrupts normal government processes so that offers cannot be received at the government office designated for receipt of bids by the exact time specified in the solicitation, the time specified for receipt of offers will be deemed to be extended to the same time of day specified in the solicitation on the first work day on which normal government processes resume. In lieu of an automatic extension, an Amendment may be issued to reschedule bid opening. If state offices are closed at the time a pre-bid or pre-proposal conference is scheduled, an Amendment will be issued to reschedule the conference. Useful information may be available at: <https://scemd.org/closings/>

[02-2A120-3]

DISCLOSURE OF YOUR BID / PROPOSAL and SUBMITTING CONFIDENTIAL DATA (FEB 2021)

(a) According to Section 11-35-410, any person submitting a document in response or with regard to any solicitation or other request must "comply with instructions provided in the solicitation for marking information exempt from public disclosure. Information not marked as required by the applicable instructions may be disclosed to the public." **IF YOU IDENTIFY YOUR ENTIRE RESPONSE AS EXEMPT FROM PUBLIC DISCLOSURE, OR IF YOU DO NOT SUBMIT A REDACTED COPY AS REQUIRED, THE STATE MAY, IN ITS SOLE DISCRETION, DETERMINE YOUR BID OR PROPOSAL NONRESPONSIVE AND INELIGIBLE FOR AWARD.** (b) By submitting a response to this solicitation or request, Offeror (1) agrees to the public disclosure of every page, or portion thereof, of every document regarding this solicitation or request that was submitted at any time prior to entering into a contract (including, but not limited to, documents contained in a response, documents submitted to clarify a response, and documents submitted during negotiations), unless the page, or portion thereof, was redacted and conspicuously marked "Trade Secret" or "Confidential" or "Protected", (2) agrees that any information not redacted and marked, as required by these bidding instructions, as a "Trade Secret" is not a trade secret as defined by the Trade Secrets Act, and (3) agrees that, notwithstanding any claims or markings otherwise, any prices, commissions, discounts, or other financial figures used to determine the award, as well as the final contract amount, are subject to public disclosure. (c) If your offer includes any information that you claim is exempt from public disclosure, you must submit one complete copy of your offer from which you have removed or concealed such information (the redacted copy). Except for the information removed or concealed, the redacted copy must be identical to your original offer. (d) Do not mark your entire response (bid, proposal, quote, etc.) as confidential, trade secret, or protected. If only portions of a page are subject to some protection, do not redact the entire page. The redacted copy must reflect the same pagination as the original and show the empty space from which information was redacted. The Procurement Officer must be able to view, search, copy and print the redacted copy without a password. If your response, or any part thereof, is improperly marked as confidential or trade secret or protected, the State may, in its sole discretion, determine it nonresponsive. (e) On the redacted copy, you must identify the basis of your claim by marking each redaction as follows: You must separately mark with the word "CONFIDENTIAL" every page, or portion thereof, that you redacted and claim as exempt from public disclosure because it is either (1) a trade secret as defined in Section 30-4-40(a)(1) of the Freedom of Information Act, or (2) privileged and confidential, as that phrase is used in Section 11-35-410. You must separately mark with the words "TRADE SECRET" every page, or portion thereof, that you redacted and claim as exempt from public disclosure as a trade secret pursuant to Section 39-8-20 of the Trade Secrets Act. You must separately mark with the word "PROTECTED" every page, or portion thereof, that you redacted and claim as exempt from public disclosure pursuant to Section 11-35- 1810. All markings must be conspicuous; use color, bold, underlining, or some other method in order to conspicuously distinguish the mark from the other text. (f) In determining whether to release documents, the State will detrimentally rely on your redaction and marking of documents, as required by these bidding instructions, as being either "Confidential" or "Trade Secret" or "Protected". By submitting a response, you agree to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the State of South Carolina, its agencies, officers and employees, from every claim, demand, loss, expense, cost, damage or injury, including attorney's fees, arising out of or resulting from withholding information by the State of South Carolina or any of its agencies, that you have redacted or marked as "Confidential" or "Trade Secret" or "Protected". (All references to S.C. Code of Laws.) [02-2A125-3]

SUBMITTING A PAPER OFFER OR MODIFICATION (MAR 2015)

Unless specifically instructed otherwise in the solicitation, you should submit your offer or modification in accordance with the clause titled "ON-LINE BIDDING INSTRUCTIONS." Paper offers are discouraged. If you must submit a paper offer or modification the following instructions apply. (a) All prices and notations should be printed in ink or typewritten. Errors should be crossed out, corrections entered and initialed by the person signing the bid. Do not modify the solicitation document itself (including bid schedule). (b) (1) All copies of the offer or modification, and any other documents required to be submitted with the offer shall be enclosed in a sealed, opaque envelope or package. (2) Submit your offer or modification to the address on the Cover Page. (3) The envelope or package must show the time and date specified for opening, the solicitation number, and the name and address of the bidder. If the offer or modification is sent by mail or special delivery service (UPS, Federal Express, etc.), the outermost envelope or wrapper must be labeled "OFFER ENCLOSED" on the face thereof. (c) If you are responding to more than one solicitation, submit each offer in a separate envelope or package. (d) Submit the number of copies indicated on the Cover Page. (e) Facsimile or e-mail offers, modifications, or withdrawals, will not be considered unless authorized by the Solicitation. [02-2A130-2]

TAX CREDIT FOR SUBCONTRACTING WITH DISADVANTAGED SMALL BUSINESSES (APR 2024)

Pursuant to Section 12-6-3350, a taxpayer having a contract with this State who subcontracts with a socially and economically disadvantaged small business is eligible for an income tax credit equal to four percent of the payments to that subcontractor for work pursuant to the contract. The subcontractor must be certified as a socially and economically disadvantaged small business as defined in Section 11-35-5010 and regulations pursuant to it. The credit is limited to a maximum of fifty thousand dollars annually. A taxpayer is eligible to claim the credit for ten consecutive taxable years beginning with the taxable year in which the first payment is made to the subcontractor that qualifies for the credit. After the above ten consecutive taxable years, the taxpayer is no longer eligible for the credit. A taxpayer claiming the credit shall maintain evidence of work performed for the contract by the subcontractor. The credit may be claimed on Schedule TC-2, "Credit for State Contractors Subcontracting with Socially and Economically Disadvantaged Small Business." A copy of the subcontractor's certificate from the Division of Small and Minority Business Contracting and Certification is to be attached to the contractor's income tax return. Questions regarding the tax credit and how to file are to be referred to: SC Department of Revenue, <http://dor.sc.gov>. Questions regarding subcontractor certification are to be referred to: Division of Small and Minority Business Contracting and Certification, <http://smbcc.sc.gov>. [02-2A135-2]

VENDOR REGISTRATION MANDATORY (MAY 2024)

You must have a state vendor number to be eligible to submit an offer. To obtain a state vendor number, visit www.procurement.sc.gov and select Doing Business with Us. Then select New Vendor Registration. (To determine if your business is already registered, go to "Vendor Search"). Upon registration, you will be assigned a state vendor number. Note that your vendor registration submission may take up to 30 days to process due to high numbers of registrants. Vendors must keep their vendor information current. If you are already registered and know your User ID and Password, you can update your information by selecting Update Vendor Registration. If you need to update information but do not have your User ID/Password, you must complete a new vendor registration and On Step 9 – Messages to Administration indicate "Update vendor number" with your existing 10-digit vendor number. (Please note that vendor registration does not substitute for any obligation to register with the S.C. Secretary of State or S.C. Department of Revenue. You can register with the agencies at South Carolina Business One Stop, <http://scbos.sc.gov>) [02-2A145-2]

WITHDRAWAL OR CORRECTION OF OFFER (JAN 2004)

Offers may be withdrawn by written notice received at any time before the exact time set for opening. If the Solicitation authorizes facsimile offers, offers may be withdrawn via facsimile received at any time before the exact time set for opening. A bid may be withdrawn in person by a bidder or its authorized representative if, before the exact time set for opening, the identity of the person requesting withdrawal is established and the person signs a receipt for the bid. The withdrawal and correction of Offers is governed by S.C. Code Section 11-35-1520 and Regulation 19-445.2085. [02-2A150-1]

II. INSTRUCTIONS TO OFFERORS -- B. SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

CONFERENCE – PRE-BID/PROPOSAL (MODIFIED)

Pre-Bid/Proposal Conference Date and Time: **SEE COVER PAGE ONE**

Location of Pre-Bid/Proposal Conference: **SEE COVER PAGE ONE**

Due to the importance of all offerors having a clear understanding of the specifications and requirements of this solicitation, a conference of potential offerors will be held on the date specified on the cover page. **Have a copy of the solicitation ready so you can follow along with the discussion.** Any changes resulting from this conference will be noted in a written amendment to the solicitation. Your failure to attend will not relieve the Contractor from responsibility for estimating properly the difficulty and cost of successfully performing the work, or for proceeding to successfully perform the work without additional expense to the State. The State assumes no responsibility for any conclusions or interpretations made by the Contractor based on the information made available at the conference. Nor does the State assume responsibility for any understanding reached or representation made concerning conditions which can affect the work by any of its officers or agents before the execution of this contract, unless that understanding, or representation is expressly stated in this contract.

This solicitation includes a NON-Mandatory Pre-Proposal Conference. While attendance is not required, Offerors are strongly encouraged to attend and participate. The purpose of the Pre-Proposal Conference is to identify items that are in error, unclear, or unduly restrictive.

All conference attendees should read the solicitation and develop their questions in preparation for the conference. The pace of the conference will **NOT** afford individuals enough time to complete an initial review of the document during the conference.

MAIL PICKUP (JAN 2006)

The State Procurement Office picks up all mail from The US Postal Service once daily around 8:30 a.m. (excluding weekends and holidays). See provision entitled Deadline for Submission of Offer. [02-2B080-1]

ON-LINE BIDDING INSTRUCTIONS (MODIFIED)

(a) Mandatory Registration. You must register before you can submit an offer on line! See clause entitled "VENDOR REGISTRATION MANDATORY."

(b) Steps for On-Line Bidding

1 The link provided on the solicitation's Cover Page will take you to our web based on-line bidding system, where you will enter and/or upload your offer.

2 Follow the general user instructions posted at www.procurement.sc.gov under the heading "Submitting Offers."

3 Confirm your offer has a status of "submitted" by refreshing the "RFx and Auctions" screen.

Only offers with a status of "submitted" have been received by the State.

Offers with a status of "saved" have not been received.

4 Save or print a copy of your offer using the "Print Preview" button after your offer has been submitted.

[02-2B105-2]

If you have problems entering an on-line offer, you must:

- i. contact the SCEIS Help Desk for assistance at (803) 896-0001 (select option 1 for SCEIS); or
- ii. contact the SCEIS Help Desk on-line at <http://www.sceis.sc.gov/vendorrequests/>.

Do not contact the Procurement Officer with problems entering an offer into the system. Only questions regarding the solicitation document should be addressed with the Procurement Officer.

Do not wait until the last minute to submit your offer. If an online offer is not completed and in a submitted status prior to the submission deadline, the offer will not be considered for award.

PROTEST - CPO - MMO ADDRESS (MAR 2024)

Any protest must be addressed to the Chief Procurement Officer, Materials Management Office, and submitted in writing

(a) by email to protest-mmo@mmo.state.sc.us, or

(b) by post or delivery to 1201 Main Street, Suite 600, Columbia, SC 29201. [02-2B122-2]

SITE VISIT -- BY APPOINTMENT (JAN 2006)

Appointment for a site visit may be made by contacting:

Timothy Martin
Chief of Campus Police
martinti@midlandstech.edu
(803) 822-3297

APPOINTMENTS WILL ONLY OCCURE PRIOR TO THE PRE-BID CONFERENCE DATE and TIME.

UNIT PRICES REQUIRED (JAN 2006)

Unit price to be shown for each item. [02-2B170-1]

III. SCOPE OF WORK/SPECIFICATIONS

Midlands Technical College (MTC) is seeking to procure the contractual services of a security firm to provide **unarmed** security officers for the referenced campuses. The successful contractor will provide coverage every day, including weekends.

Definition of unarmed physical security (our expectations) at MTC:

Physical security – in accordance with published general orders – Security Officers shall observe and report, lock and unlock doors, maintain a presence when requested, perform building security checks, set up traffic control devices and direct traffic for special events, limited motorist assistance, radio communications.

Scope of Work/Specifications:

1. The contractor must be licensed to do business in the State of South Carolina. The counties where the college's campuses reside are Richland, Lexington, and Fairfield. Therefore, two of the requirements to successfully perform this contract are:
 - a. Your firm must currently have and maintain a fully staffed office throughout the term of the contract in the state of South Carolina (i.e. preferably within **50 miles** of Columbia, South Carolina) and
 - b. Your firm must have been in business for at least five (5) years.
2. The contractor shall provide a full-time Security supervisor to supervise and coordinate contractor security operations at the college.
 - a. Supervisor Bill rate should be no more than \$23.63 per hour for supervisor
 - b. Security Officer Bill Rate should be no more than \$16.00 per hour
3. Staffing – The contractor will provide security officers/guards for the seven (7) campuses as follows:

A. Airport Campus – located at: 1260 Lexington Drive, West Columbia, SC 29170
Services will be provided twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week. 1 Security Officer per shift (168 hours per week).

B. Beltline Campus – located at: 316 South Beltline Boulevard, Columbia, SC 29205
Services will be provided twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week. 1 Security Officer per shift (168 hours per week). An additional Security Officer will be needed to receive and respond to telephone calls and monitor radio traffic at the following days and times: 11 p.m. to 7 a.m. Monday through Sunday and 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. Saturday through Sunday (78 hours per week).

C. Harbison Campus – located at: 7300 College Street, Irmo, SC 29063		
Services will be required as follows based on the needs of the campuses:		
Number of Officers Needed	Times/Days	Hours Per/Week
1	7 a.m. to 3 p.m. – Monday through Saturday	48 hrs.
1	3 p.m. to 11 p.m. or until closing – Monday through Saturday	48 hrs.
Often an officer is needed on Sundays.		

D. Northeast Campus – located at: 151 Powell Rd., Columbia, SC 29203		
Services will be required as follows based on the needs of the campuses:		
Number of Officers Needed	Times/Days	Hours Per/Week
1	7 a.m. to 3 p.m. – Monday through Friday	40 hrs.
1	3 p.m. to 11 p.m. – Monday through Friday	40 hrs.
1	7 a.m. to 5 p.m. – Saturday	10 hrs.
Occasionally an officer is needed on Sundays		

E. Batesburg-Leesville Campus – located at: 423 College Street, Batesburg-Leesville, SC 29070		
Services will be required as follows as needed:		
Number of Officers Needed	Times/Days	Hours Per/Week
1	7:30a to 5:30p – Monday through Friday	50 hrs.

F. Fairfield Campus – located at: 1674 Hwy 321 North Business, Winnsboro, SC 29180		
Services will be required as follows as needed:		
Number of Officers Needed	Times/Days	Hours Per/Week
1	7 a.m. to 5 p.m. – Monday through Thursday	40 hrs.

G. Lexington Northlake Center – located at: 702 North Lake Drive, Lexington, SC 29072		
Services will be required as follows as needed:		
Number of Officers Needed	Times/Days	Hours Per/Week
1	7 a.m. to 7 p.m. – Monday through Saturday	72 hrs.

4. The college will direct job duties and responsibilities of security officers through the Security supervisor.
5. Duties of the Security supervisor, consistent with accepted principles of security operation and will be assigned by the college's Chief of Police.
6. The supervisor, his/her supervisor will be required to meet with the MTC Security Liaison monthly.

7. MTC will provide the Security Supervisor an office with a telephone, computer and internet access which will be located on the Airport Campus.
8. The Security supervisor will be provided an assigned college vehicle to travel between campuses as duties require at no cost to the Contractor.

Note: College vehicles shall be used for campus security related activities only. Supervisor will be required to complete log for information purposes. Any 2 unauthorized activities or loss outside of the contracted services and approval of the College, will be at the cost of the contractor.

9. The Security supervisor and MTC Security Liaison shall develop and maintain up-to-date written college security General Orders for security officers. The Security supervisor will ensure that all newly assigned Security officers are thoroughly trained on the college's security operations and details contained in the College's security General Orders during the first two (2) weeks of duty.
10. The Security supervisor will ensure that all security officers are fully qualified and in accordance with SC State Mandates for the security position to which they are assigned.
11. The MTC Security Liaison will coordinate with the Security supervisor for special needs and other duties that may be scheduled outside normal security operations.
12. The contractor is required to complete a background investigation (check) through SLED and pay for processing of SLED licenses for security officers. The contractor must provide a copy of the SLED license, a photograph and an attestation of BGC for each officer to the MTC Security Liaison prior to assignment.
13. The contractor shall pay and provide for drug testing of all Security Officers new to the College with at least a 5 panel drug screening test. The contractor will pay and provide for the same testing on a random basis for 20% of the security Officers annually. Test will be administered by a third- party drug screening firm – not affiliated with the contractor. Test may be administered for cause by order of the Chief of Police.
14. The contractor shall ensure that all officers who drive security vehicles have and maintain a valid South Carolina driver's license with no more than two traffic infractions.
15. The contractor shall replace any employee deemed unsatisfactory within twenty-four (24) hours when requested by the college. The college reserves the right to reject any prospective personnel provided by the contractor and to terminate any security personnel deemed unsatisfactory.
16. The contractor, as this is solely their responsibility, shall furnish and maintain a list of eligible candidates for employment. The college will not solicit candidates on behalf of the successful contractor.
 - a. Contractor shall solicit for and examine qualifications of eligible candidates for employment when the contractor does not have a sufficient list of eligible candidates to provide the required number of security officers.
 - b. Contractor shall provide a sufficient number of security officers to make sure all posts are covered as all times.
 - i. Sickness is not an excuse for non-coverage of a post. A substitute must be placed.
17. The contractor shall provide the college with up to two (2) additional security officers on an emergency basis on a two (2) hour notice. Overtime is not to be charged except in rare circumstances and only with prior approval of the college's Chief of Police.

18. The college will furnish radios for use by security officers.
19. The contractor's security officers will use a college approved electronic tracking security system provided by the contractor which records security checks of buildings, equipment, maintenance problems, and fire or safety hazards.
 - a. The contractor shall provide the system at no cost to the college.
 - b. No component of the system can be inoperable for more than 24 hours.
 - c. The contractor is responsible for obtaining a loaner device in the event of any system failure.
 - d. The contractor is responsible for any cost associated with components attached to the building.
 - e. The system is the property of the current contractor. Only the keys attached to the building will remain.
20. The contractor is required to furnish security during holidays and special college events.
 - a. A calendar of college closings and special events will be provided by the College.
 - b. Overtime is not to be charged for holiday and special college events except in rare circumstances and with prior approval of the college's Chief of Police.
21. The estimated total of annual contract services are approximately **43,204** clock hours for the seven locations.

Scheduled security officer hours:	39,624
Unscheduled security officer hours:	1,500
Supervisor hours:	2,080

22. Invoicing – The College will issue a purchase order to the successful vendor for the estimated annual dollars for services.
 - a. Invoices must be submitted at the first of every month for labor furnished the previous month referencing MTC purchase order number. This will be a monthly charge (see redacted example of invoice & supporting documentation)
 - b. Invoices must be substantiated by accompanying time sheets furnishing the following information:
 - i. Employee's name
 - ii. Number of hours worked
 - iii. Pay rate
 - iv. Billing rate
 - v. Total due for the month
 - c. Invoices must include any applicable mileage driven by supervisor.
 - i. Log sheets must be included.
 - d. Request for verification of routine nightly patrols using printout from **Morris Watchman NRSE** or equivalent will be requested for random shifts during the monthly billing cycle.
23. Payroll Taxes and Insurance –
 - a. The contractor will administer payroll tax withholdings for security personnel as follows: a) Federal Taxes, b) State Taxes and c) Social Security (FICA).
 - b. The contractor will be responsible for Federal and the applicable state of South Carolina statutory insurance costs for security personnel as follows: a) Federal Unemployment Insurance, b) South Carolina Unemployment Insurance, c) Workers' Compensation.
 - c. The contractor must meet all IRS requirements for payroll reporting including magnetic media reporting.
 - d. The contractor must provide and maintain Worker's Compensation and General Liability Insurance on security providing services to the college.
- 24.– Adjustment of Services
 - a. MTC reserves the right to adjust the number of officers, duty schedule or location as may be deemed necessary during the contract period.

DELIVERY/PERFORMANCE LOCATION – SPECIFIED (JAN 2006)

After award, all deliveries shall be made and all services provided to the following address, unless otherwise specified:

Airport Campus

1260 Lexington Drive
West Columbia, SC 29170

Beltline Campus

316 South Beltline
Columbia, SC 29205

Harbison Campus

7300 College Street
Irmo, SC 29063

Northeast Campus

151 Powell Rd
Columbia, SC 29203

Batesburg-Leesville Campus

423 College Street
Batesburg-Leesville, SC 29070

Fairfield Campus

1674 Hwy 321 North Business
Winnsboro, SC 29180

Lexington Northlake Center

702 North Lake Drive
Lexington, SC 29072

[03-3030-1]

IV. INFORMATION FOR OFFERORS TO SUBMIT

INFORMATION FOR OFFERORS TO SUBMIT -- GENERAL (MAR 2015)

You shall submit a signed Cover Page and Page Two. If you submit your offer electronically, you must upload an image of a signed Cover Page and Page Two. Your offer should include all other information and documents requested in this part and in parts II.B. Special Instructions; III. Scope of Work; V. Qualifications; VIII. Bidding Schedule/Price Proposal; and any appropriate attachments addressed in Part IX. Attachments to Solicitations. You should submit a summary of all insurance policies you have or plan to acquire to comply with the insurance requirements stated herein, if any, including policy types; coverage types; limits, sub-limits, and deductibles for each policy and coverage type; the carrier's A.M. Best rating; and whether the policy is written on an occurrence or claims-made basis. [04-4010-2]

1. Technical Proposal
 - a. Cover Letter
 - b. Provide a technical narrative that outlines in detail, in addition to specific requirements above, how you plan to deliver on the requirements outlined in Section III including a staffing plan.
2. Qualifications and Experience
 - a. Provide a detailed plan for qualifications and experience of personnel including any affiliations or applicable certifications.
 - b. Provide details on past experience for contracts held of similar scope to this contract. This is NOT references, but details showing capabilities to perform this similar size and scope contract.
3. Price Proposal
 - a. Pricing must be provided on the Bidding Schedule Pricing. Monthly Cost based on estimated weekly hours stated
 - b. Along with Bidding Schedule provide a cost break down:
 - i. Pay Rate
 - ii. Bill Rate
 - iii. Vendor's Mark Up

MINORITY PARTICIPATION (APR 2024):

Is the bidder a South Carolina Certified Minority Business? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Is the bidder a Minority Business certified by another governmental entity? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If so, please list the certifying governmental entity: _____

Will any of the work under this contract be performed by a SC certified Minority Business as a subcontractor? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If so, what percentage of the total value of the contract will be performed by a SC certified Minority Business as a subcontractor? _____

Will any of the work under this contract be performed by a minority business certified by another governmental entity as a subcontractor? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If so, what percentage of the total value of the contract will be performed by a minority business certified by another governmental entity as a subcontractor? _____

If a certified Minority Business is participating in this contract, please indicate all categories for which the Business is certified:

- ☐ Traditional minority
- ☐ Traditional minority, but female
- ☐ Women (Caucasian females)
- ☐ Hispanic minorities
- ☐ DOT referral (Traditional minority)
- ☐ DOT referral (Caucasian female)
- ☐ Temporary certification
- ☐ SBA 8 (a) certification referral
- ☐ Other minorities (Native American, Asian, etc.)

(If more than one minority contractor will be utilized in the performance of this contract, please provide the information above for each minority business.)

The Department of Administration, Division of Small and Minority Business Contracting and Certification, publishes a list of certified minority firms. The Minority Business Directory is available at the following URL: [http://smbcc.sc.gov\(.\)](http://smbcc.sc.gov(.))

[04-4015-4]

V. QUALIFICATIONS

QUALIFICATIONS OF OFFEROR (MAR 2015)

(1) To be eligible for award, you must have the capability in all respects to perform fully the contract requirements and the integrity and reliability which will assure good faith performance. We may also consider a documented commitment from a satisfactory source that will provide you with a capability. We may consider information from any source at any time prior to award. We may elect to consider (i) key personnel, any predecessor business, and any key personnel of any predecessor business, including any facts arising prior to the date a business was established, and/or (ii) any subcontractor you identify. (2) You must promptly furnish satisfactory evidence of responsibility upon request. Unreasonable failure to supply requested information is grounds for rejection. (3) **Corporate subsidiaries are cautioned that the financial capability of an affiliated or parent company will not be considered in determining financial capability;** however, we may elect to consider any security, e.g., letter of credit, performance bond, parent-company corporate guaranty, that you offer to provide. Instructions and forms to help assure acceptability are posted on www.procurement.sc.gov, link to "Standard Clauses & Provisions." [05-5005-2]

QUALIFICATIONS - SPECIAL STANDARDS OF RESPONSIBILITY (MAR 2015)

(a) This section establishes special standards of responsibility. UNLESS YOU POSSESS THE FOLLOWING MANDATORY MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS, DO NOT SUBMIT AN OFFER:

SLED - The offeror and its officers must be licensed and registered in accordance with current requirements of the SC code of Laws and provide evidence of a SLED Level 2 certified Regulations to provide security services within 25-miles of the campus.

(b) Provide a detailed, narrative statement with adequate information to establish that you meet all the requirements stated in subparagraph (a) above. Include all appropriate documentation. If you intend for us to consider the qualifications of your key personnel, predecessor business(es), or subcontractor(s), explain the relationship between you and such person or entity. [R. 19-445.2125(F)]
[05-5010-2]

QUALIFICATIONS -- REQUIRED INFORMATION (MAR 2015)

Submit the following information or documentation for you and for any subcontractor (at any tier level) that you identify pursuant to the clause titled Subcontractor - Identification. Err on the side of inclusion. You represent that the information provided is complete. (a) The general history and experience of the business in providing work of similar size and scope. (b) Information reflecting the current financial position. Include the most current financial statement and financial statements for the last two fiscal years. If the financial statements have been audited in accordance with the following requirements, provide the audited version of those statements. [Reference Statement of Financial Accounting Concepts No. 5 (FASB, December, 1984), as amended.] (c) A detailed, narrative statement listing the three most recent, comparable contracts (including contact information) which have been performed. For each contract, describe how the supplies or services provided are similar to those requested by this solicitation, and how they differ. (d) A list of every business for which supplies or services substantially similar to those sought with this solicitation have been provided, at any time during the past three years. (e) A list of every South Carolina public body for which supplies or services have been provided at any time during the past three years, if any. (f) List of failed projects, suspensions, debarments, and significant litigation. [05-5015-2]

SUBCONTRACTOR -- IDENTIFICATION (FEB 2015)

If you intend to subcontract, at any tier level, with another business for any portion of the work and that portion either (1) exceeds 10% of your cost, (2) involves access to any "government information," as defined in the clause entitled "Information Security - Definitions," if included, or (3) otherwise involves services critical to your performance of the work (err on the side of inclusion), your offer must identify that business and the work which they are to perform. Identify potential subcontractors by providing the business name, address, phone, taxpayer identification number, **and point of contact**. In determining your responsibility, the state may contact and evaluate your proposed subcontractors. [05-5030-2]

VI. AWARD CRITERIA

AWARD CRITERIA -- BEST VALUE BIDS (JAN 2006)

Award will be made to the highest ranked, responsive, and responsible offeror whose offer is determined to be the most advantageous to the State. [06-6025-1]

AWARD TO ONE OFFEROR (JAN 2006)

Award will be made to one Offeror. [06-6040-1]

COMPETITION FROM PUBLIC ENTITIES (JAN 2006)

If a South Carolina governmental entity submits an offer, the Procurement Officer will, when determining the lowest offer, add to the price provided in any offers submitted by non-governmental entities a percentage equivalent to any applicable sales or use tax. S.C. Code Ann. Regs 117-304.1 (Supp. 2004). [06-6057-1]

EVALUATION FACTORS -- BEST VALUE BID (JAN 2006)

Offers will be evaluated using only the factors stated below. Numerical weightings are provided for each evaluation factor. All evaluation factors, other than cost (which must be at least 60%), will be considered prior to determining the effect of cost on the score for each offeror. Once evaluation is complete, all responsive offerors will be ranked from most advantageous to least advantageous. [06-6060-1]

Price - 60points

Technical Proposal - 20 points

Qualifications & Experience - 20 points

UNIT PRICE GOVERNS (JAN 2006)

In determining award, unit prices will govern over extended prices unless otherwise stated. [06-6075-1]

VII. TERMS AND CONDITIONS -- A. GENERAL

ASSIGNMENT, NOVATION, AND CHANGE OF NAME, IDENTITY, OR STRUCTURE (FEB 2015)

(a) Contractor shall not assign this contract, or its rights, obligations, or any other interest arising from this contract, or delegate any of its performance obligations, without the express written consent of the responsible procurement officer. The foregoing restriction does not apply to a transfer that occurs by operation of law (e.g., bankruptcy; corporate reorganizations and consolidations, but not including partial asset sales). Notwithstanding the foregoing, contractor may assign monies receivable under the contract provided that the state shall have no obligation to make payment to an assignee until thirty days after contractor (not the assignee) has provided the responsible procurement officer with (i) proof of the assignment, (ii) the identity (by contract number) of the specific state contract to which the assignment applies, and (iii) the name of the assignee and the exact address or account information to which assigned payments should be made. (b) If contractor amends, modifies, or otherwise changes its name, its identity (including its trade name), or its corporate, partnership or other structure, or its FEIN, contractor shall provide the procurement officer prompt written notice of such change. (c) Any name change, transfer, assignment, or novation is subject to the conditions and approval required by Regulation 19-445.2180, which does not restrict transfers by operation of law. [07-7A004-2]

BANKRUPTCY - GENERAL (FEB 2015)

(a) Notice. In the event the Contractor enters into proceedings relating to bankruptcy, whether voluntary or involuntary, the Contractor agrees to furnish written notification of the bankruptcy to the Using Governmental Unit. This notification shall be furnished within two (2) days of the initiation of the proceedings relating to the bankruptcy filing. This notification shall include the date on which the bankruptcy petition was filed, the identity of the court in which the bankruptcy petition was filed, and a listing of all State contracts against which final payment has not been made. This obligation remains in effect until final payment under this Contract. (b) Termination. This contract is voidable and subject to immediate termination by the State upon the contractor's insolvency, including the filing of proceedings in bankruptcy. [07-7A005-2]

CHOICE-OF-LAW (JAN 2006)

The Agreement, any dispute, claim, or controversy relating to the Agreement, and all the rights and obligations of the parties shall, in all respects, be interpreted, construed, enforced and governed by and under the laws of the State of South Carolina, except its choice of law rules. As used in this paragraph, the term "Agreement" means any transaction or agreement arising out of, relating to, or contemplated by the solicitation. [07-7A010-1]

CONTRACT AWARDED PURSUANT TO CODE (MAR 2024)

Any contract resulting from this solicitation is formed pursuant to the South Carolina Consolidated Procurement Code and is deemed to incorporate all applicable provisions thereof and the ensuing regulations. See also clause titled "Code of Laws Available." [07-7A012-1]

CONTRACT DOCUMENTS and ORDER OF PRECEDENCE (MAY 2024)

(a) Any contract resulting from this solicitation shall consist of the following documents: (1) the solicitation, as amended, (2) your offer, as amended, (3) any statement reflecting the State's final acceptance (a/k/a "award"), and (4) purchase orders. These documents shall be read to be consistent and complementary. Any conflict among these documents shall be resolved by giving priority to these documents in the order listed above. (b) The terms and conditions of documents (1) through (4) above shall apply notwithstanding any additional or different terms and conditions in any other document, including without limitation, (i) any instrument submitted by the State other than a purchase order, (ii) any invoice or other document submitted by Contractor, or (iii) any privacy policy, terms of use, or end user agreement. Except as otherwise allowed by the solicitation, the terms and conditions of all such documents and any purchase orders shall be void and of no effect. (c) No contract, license, or other agreement containing contractual terms and conditions will be signed by any Using Governmental Unit. Any document signed or otherwise agreed to by persons other than the Procurement Officer shall be void and of no effect. [07-7A015-2]

DISCOUNT FOR PROMPT PAYMENT (JAN 2006)

(a) Discounts for prompt payment will not be considered in the evaluation of offers. However, any offered discount will form a part of the award, and will be taken if payment is made within the discount period indicated in the offer by the offeror. As an alternative to offering a discount for prompt payment in conjunction with the offer, offerors awarded contracts may include discounts for prompt payment on individual invoices.

(b) In connection with any discount offered for prompt payment, time shall be computed from the date of the invoice. If the Contractor has not placed a date on the invoice, the due date shall be calculated from the date the designated billing office receives a proper invoice, provided the state annotates such invoice with the date of receipt at the time of receipt. For the purpose of computing the discount earned, payment shall be considered to have been made on the date that appears on the payment check or, for an electronic funds transfer, the specified payment date. When the discount date falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday when Federal Government offices are closed and Government business is not expected to be conducted, payment may be made on the following business day.

[07-7A020-1]

DISPUTES (MAY 2024)

(1) Choice-of-Forum. All disputes, claims, or controversies relating to the Agreement shall be resolved exclusively by the appropriate Chief Procurement Officer in accordance with Title 11, Chapter 35, Article 17 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, or in the absence of jurisdiction, only in the Court of Common Pleas for, or a federal court located in, Richland County, State of South Carolina. Contractor agrees that any act by the government regarding the Agreement is not a waiver of either the government's sovereign immunity or the government's immunity under the Eleventh Amendment of the United States Constitution. As used in this paragraph, the term "Agreement" means any transaction or agreement arising out of, relating to, or contemplated by the solicitation. The government does not consent to the jurisdiction of any judicial or administrative tribunals in any other state or to any forum of alternative dispute resolution. (2) Service of Process. Contractor consents that any papers, notices, or process necessary or proper for the initiation or continuation of any disputes, claims, or controversies relating to the Agreement; for any court action in connection therewith; or for the entry of judgment on any award made, may be served on Contractor by certified mail (return receipt requested) addressed to Contractor at the address provided as the Notice Address on Page Two or by personal service or by any other manner that is permitted by law, in or outside South Carolina. Notice by certified mail is deemed duly given upon deposit in the United States mail. [07-7A025-2]

FALSE CLAIMS (JAN 2006)

According to the S.C. Code of Laws Section 16-13-240, "a person who by false pretense or representation obtains the signature of a person to a written instrument or obtains from another person any chattel, money, valuable security, or other property, real or personal, with intent to cheat and defraud a person of that property is guilty" of a crime. [07-7A035-1]

FIXED PRICING REQUIRED (JAN 2006)

Any pricing provided by contractor shall include all costs for performing the work associated with that price. Except as otherwise provided in this solicitation, contractor's price shall be fixed for the duration of this contract, including option terms. This clause does not prohibit contractor from offering lower pricing after award. [07-7A040-1]

NO INDEMNITY OR DEFENSE (FEB 2015)

Any term or condition is void to the extent it requires the State to indemnify, defend, or pay attorney's fees to anyone for any reason. [07-7A045-2]

NOTICE (MAY 2024)

(A) After award, any notices shall be in writing and shall be deemed duly given (1) upon actual delivery, if delivery is by hand, (2) upon receipt by the transmitting party of automated confirmation or answer back from the recipient's device if delivery is by telex, telegram, facsimile, or electronic mail, or (3) ten days after deposit into the United States mail, if postage is prepaid, a return receipt is requested, and either registered or certified mail is used. (B) Notice to contractor shall be to the address identified as the Notice Address on Page Two. Notice to the state shall be to the Procurement Officer's address on the Cover Page. Either party may designate a different address for notice by giving notice in accordance with this paragraph.

OPEN TRADE (JUN 2015)

During the contract term, including any renewals or extensions, Contractor will not engage in the boycott of a person or an entity based in or doing business with a jurisdiction with whom South Carolina can enjoy open trade, as defined in SC Code Section 11-35-5300. [07-7A053-1]

ORGANIZATIONAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST (APR 2023)

(a) The Contractor agrees to immediately advise the Procurement Officer if an actual or potential organizational conflict of interest is discovered after award, and to make a full written disclosure promptly thereafter to the Procurement Officer. This disclosure shall include a description of actions which the Contractor has taken or proposes to take, after consultation with the Procurement Officer, to avoid, mitigate, or neutralize the actual or potential conflict.

(b) The State may terminate this contract for convenience, in whole or in part, if it deems such termination necessary to avoid an organizational conflict of interest. Contractor's failure to include an appropriate termination for convenience clause in any subcontract shall not increase the obligation of the State beyond what it would have been if the subcontract had contained such a clause.

(c) The disclosure required by paragraph (a) of this provision is a material obligation of the contract. If the Contractor knew or should have known of an organizational conflict of interest prior to award, or discovers an actual or potential conflict after award, and does not disclose, or misrepresents, relevant information to the Procurement Officer, the State may terminate the contract for default. [07-7A054-1]

PAYMENT and INTEREST (MODIFIED)

The State shall pay the Contractor, after the submission of proper invoices or vouchers, the prices stipulated in this contract for supplies delivered and accepted or services rendered and accepted, less any deductions provided in this contract. Unless otherwise specified herein, including the purchase order, payment shall not be made on partial deliveries accepted by the Government.

(b) Notwithstanding any other provision, payment shall be made in accordance with S.C. Code Section 11-35-45, or Chapter 6 of Title 29 (real property improvements) when applicable, which provides the Contractor's exclusive means of recovering any type of interest from the Owner. Contractor waives imposition of an interest penalty unless the invoice submitted specifies that the late penalty is applicable. Except as set forth in this paragraph, the State shall not be liable for the payment of interest on any debt or claim arising out of or related to this contract for any reason.

(c) Amounts due to the State shall bear interest at the rate of interest established by the South Carolina Comptroller General pursuant to Section 11-35-45 (" an amount not to exceed fifteen percent each year "), as amended, unless otherwise required by Section 29-6-30.

(d) Any other basis for interest, including but not limited to general (pre- and post-judgment) or specific interest statutes, including S.C. Code Ann. Section 34-31-20, are expressly waived by both parties. If a court, despite this agreement and waiver, requires that interest be paid on any debt by either party other than as provided by items (c) and (d) above, the parties further agree that the applicable interest rate for any given calendar year shall be the lowest prime rate as listed in the first edition of the Wall Street Journal published for each year, applied as simple interest without compounding.

(e) The State shall have all of its common law, equitable and statutory rights of set-off. [07-7A055-4]

PUBLICITY (JAN 2006)

Contractor shall not publish any comments or quotes by State employees, or include the State in either news releases or a published list of customers, without the prior written approval of the Procurement Officer. [07-7A060-1]

PURCHASE ORDERS (JAN 2006)

Contractor shall not perform any work prior to the receipt of a purchase order from the using governmental unit. The using governmental unit shall order any supplies or services to be furnished under this contract by issuing a purchase order. Purchase orders may be used to elect any options available under this contract, e.g., quantity, item, delivery date, payment method, but are subject to all terms and conditions of this contract. Purchase orders may be electronic. No particular form is required. An order placed pursuant to the purchasing card provision qualifies as a purchase order. [07-7A065-1]

SURVIVAL OF OBLIGATIONS (JAN 2006)

The Parties' rights and obligations which, by their nature, would continue beyond the termination, cancellation, rejection, or expiration of this contract shall survive such termination, cancellation, rejection, or expiration, including, but not limited to, the rights and obligations created by the following clauses: Indemnification - Third Party Claims, Intellectual Property Indemnification, and any provisions regarding warranty or audit. [07-7A075-1]

TAXES (JAN 2006)

Any tax the contractor may be required to collect or pay upon the sale, use or delivery of the products shall be paid by the State, and such sums shall be due and payable to the contractor upon acceptance. Any personal property taxes levied after delivery shall be paid by the State. It shall be solely the State's obligation, after payment to contractor, to challenge the applicability of any tax by negotiation with, or action against, the taxing authority. Contractor agrees to refund any tax collected, which is subsequently determined not to be proper and for which a refund has been paid to contractor by the taxing authority. In the event that the contractor fails to pay, or delays in paying, to any taxing authorities, sums paid by the State to contractor, contractor shall be liable to the State for any loss (such as the assessment of additional interest) caused by virtue of this failure or delay. Taxes based on Contractor's net income or assets shall be the sole responsibility of the contractor. [07-7A080-1]

TERMINATION DUE TO UNAVAILABILITY OF FUNDS (JAN 2006)

Payment and performance obligations for succeeding fiscal periods shall be subject to the availability and appropriation of funds therefor. When funds are not appropriated or otherwise made available to support continuation of performance in a subsequent fiscal period, the contract shall be canceled. In the event of a cancellation pursuant to this paragraph, contractor will be reimbursed the resulting unamortized, reasonably incurred, nonrecurring costs. Contractor will not be reimbursed any costs amortized beyond the initial contract term. [07-7A085-1]

THIRD PARTY BENEFICIARY (JAN 2006)

This Contract is made solely and specifically among and for the benefit of the parties hereto, and their respective successors and assigns, and no other person will have any rights, interest, or claims hereunder or be entitled to any benefits under or on account of this Contract as a third party beneficiary or otherwise. [07-7A090-1]

WAIVER (JAN 2006)

The State does not waive any prior or subsequent breach of the terms of the Contract by making payments on the Contract, by failing to terminate the Contract for lack of performance, or by failing to strictly or promptly insist upon any term of the Contract. Only the Procurement Officer has actual authority to waive any of the State's rights under this Contract. Any waiver must be in writing. [07-7A095-1]

VII. TERMS AND CONDITIONS -- B. SPECIAL

CHANGES (JAN 2006)

(1) Contract Modification. By a written order, at any time, and without notice to any surety, the Procurement Officer may, subject to all appropriate adjustments, make changes within the general scope of this contract in any one or more of the following:

- (a) drawings, designs, or specifications, if the supplies to be furnished are to be specially manufactured for the [State] in accordance therewith;
- (b) method of shipment or packing;
- (c) place of delivery;
- (d) description of services to be performed;
- (e) time of performance (i.e., hours of the day, days of the week, etc.); or,
- (f) place of performance of the services. Subparagraphs (a) to (c) apply only if supplies are furnished under this contract. Subparagraphs (d) to (f) apply only if services are performed under this contract.

(2) Adjustments of Price or Time for Performance. If any such change increases or decreases the contractor's cost of, or the time required for, performance of any part of the work under this contract, whether or not changed by the order, an adjustment shall be made in the contract price, the delivery schedule, or both, and the contract modified in writing accordingly. Any adjustment in contract price made pursuant to this clause shall be determined in accordance with the Price Adjustment Clause of this contract. Failure of the parties to agree to an adjustment shall not excuse the contractor from proceeding with the contract as changed, provided that the State promptly and duly make such provisional adjustments in payment or time for performance as may be reasonable. By proceeding with the work, the contractor shall not be deemed to have prejudiced any claim for additional compensation, or an extension of time for completion.

(3) Time Period for Claim. Within 30 days after receipt of a written contract modification under Paragraph (1) of this clause, unless such period is extended by the Procurement Officer in writing, the contractor shall file notice of intent to assert a claim for an adjustment. Later notification shall not bar the contractor's claim unless the State is prejudiced by the delay in notification.

(4) Claim Barred After Final Payment. No claim by the contractor for an adjustment hereunder shall be allowed if notice is not given prior to final payment under this contract.

[07-7B025-1]

COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS (JAN 2006)

During the term of the contract, contractor shall comply with all applicable provisions of laws, codes, ordinances, rules, regulations, and tariffs. [07-7B035-1]

CONFERENCE – PRE-PERFORMANCE (JAN 2006)

Unless waived by the Procurement Officer, a pre-performance conference between the contractor, state and Procurement Officer shall be held at a location selected by the state within five (5) days after final award, and prior to commencement of work under the contract. The responsibilities of all parties involved will be discussed to assure a meeting of the minds of all concerned. The successful contractor or his duly authorized representative shall be required to attend at contractor's expense. [07-7B040-1]

CONTRACTOR'S LIABILITY INSURANCE - GENERAL (FEB 2015)

(a) Without limiting any of the obligations or liabilities of Contractor, Contractor shall procure from a company or companies lawfully authorized to do business in South Carolina and with a current A.M. Best rating of no less than A: VII, and maintain for the duration of the contract, insurance against claims for injuries to persons or damages to property which may arise from or in connection with the performance of the work and the results of that work by the contractor, his agents, representatives, employees or subcontractors.

(b) Coverage shall be at least as broad as:

(1) Commercial General Liability (CGL): Insurance Services Office (ISO) Form CG 00 01 12 07 covering CGL on an "occurrence" basis, including products-completed operations, personal and advertising injury, with limits no less than

\$1,000,000 per occurrence. If a general aggregate limit applies, the general aggregate limit shall be twice the required occurrence limit. This contract shall be considered to be an "insured contract" as defined in the policy.

(2) Auto Liability: ISO Form Number CA 00 01 covering any auto (Code 1), or if Contractor has no owned autos, hired, (Code 8) and non-owned autos (Code 9), with limits no less than \$1,000,000 per accident for bodily injury and property damage.

(3) Worker's Compensation: As required by the State of South Carolina, with Statutory Limits, and Employer's Liability Insurance with limit of no less than \$1,000,000 per accident for bodily injury or disease.

(c) Every applicable Using Governmental Unit, and the officers, officials, employees and volunteers of any of them, must be covered as additional insureds on the CGL policy with respect to liability arising out of work or operations performed by or on behalf of the Contractor including materials, parts or equipment furnished in connection with such work or operations. General liability coverage can be provided in the form of an endorsement to the Contractor's insurance at least as broad as ISO Form CG 20 10 11 85 or if not available, through the addition of both CG 20 10 and CG 20 37 if a later edition is used.

(d) For any claims related to this contract, the Contractor's insurance coverage shall be primary insurance as respects the State, every applicable Using Governmental Unit, and the officers, officials, employees and volunteers of any of them. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the State, every applicable Using Governmental Unit, or the officers, officials, employees and volunteers of any of them, shall be excess of the Contractor's insurance and shall not contribute with it.

(e) Prior to commencement of the work, the Contractor shall furnish the State with original certificates and amendatory endorsements or copies of the applicable policy language effecting coverage required by this section. All certificates are to be received and approved by the State before work commences. However, failure to obtain the required documents prior to the work beginning shall not waive the Contractor's obligation to provide them. The State reserves the right to require complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies, including endorsements required by this section, at any time.

(f) Should any of the above described policies be cancelled before the expiration date thereof, notice will be delivered in accordance with the policy provisions. In addition, the Contractor shall notify the State immediately upon receiving any information that any of the coverages required by this section are or will be changed, cancelled, or replaced.

(g) Contractor hereby grants to the State and every applicable Using Governmental Unit a waiver of any right to subrogation which any insurer of said Contractor may acquire against the State or applicable Using Governmental Unit by virtue of the payment of any loss under such insurance. Contractor agrees to obtain any endorsement that may be necessary to effect this waiver of subrogation, but this provision applies regardless of whether or not the State or Using Governmental Unit has received a waiver of subrogation endorsement from the insurer.

(h) Any deductibles or self-insured retentions must be declared to and approved by the State. The State may require the Contractor to purchase coverage with a lower deductible or retention or provide proof of ability to pay losses and related investigations, claim administration, and defense expenses within the retention.

(i) The State reserves the right to modify these requirements, including limits, based on the nature of the risk, prior experience, insurer, coverage, or other special circumstances.

[07-7B056-2]

CONTRACTOR PERSONNEL (JAN 2006)

The Contractor shall enforce strict discipline and good order among the Contractor's employees and other persons carrying out the Contract. The Contractor shall not permit employment of unfit persons or persons not skilled in tasks assigned to them. [07-7B060-1]

CONTRACTOR'S OBLIGATION -- GENERAL (JAN 2006)

The contractor shall provide and pay for all materials, tools, equipment, labor and professional and non-professional services, and shall perform all other acts and supply all other things necessary, to fully and properly perform and complete the work. The contractor must act as the prime contractor and assume full responsibility for any subcontractor's performance. The contractor will be considered the sole point of contact with regard to all situations, including payment of all charges and the meeting of all other requirements. [07-7B065-1]

CONTRACTOR'S USE OF STATE PROPERTY (JAN 2006)

Upon termination of the contract for any reason, the State shall have the right, upon demand, to obtain access to, and possession of, all State properties, including, but not limited to, current copies of all State application programs and necessary documentation, all data, files, intermediate materials and supplies held by the contractor. Contractor shall not use, reproduce, distribute, display, or sell any data, material, or documentation owned exclusively by the State without the State's written consent, except to the extent necessary to carry out the work. [07-7B067-1]

DEFAULT (JAN 2006)

(a) (1) The State may, subject to paragraphs (c) and (d) of this clause, by written notice of default to the Contractor, terminate this contract in whole or in part if the Contractor fails to:

(i) Deliver the supplies or to perform the services within the time specified in this contract or any extension;

(ii) Make progress, so as to endanger performance of this contract (but see paragraph (a)(2) of this clause); or

(iii) Perform any of the other material provisions of this contract (but see paragraph (a)(2) of this clause).

(2) The State's right to terminate this contract under subdivisions (a)(1)(ii) and (1)(iii) of this clause, may be exercised if the Contractor does not cure such failure within 10 days (or more if authorized in writing by the Procurement Officer) after receipt of the notice from the Procurement Officer specifying the failure.

(b) If the State terminates this contract in whole or in part, it may acquire, under the terms and in the manner the Procurement Officer considers appropriate, supplies or services similar to those terminated, and the Contractor will be liable to the State for any excess costs for those supplies or services. However, the Contractor shall continue the work not terminated.

(c) Except for defaults of subcontractors at any tier, the Contractor shall not be liable for any excess costs if the failure to perform the contract arises from causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor. Examples of such causes include (1) acts of God or of the public enemy, (2) acts of the State in either its sovereign or contractual capacity, (3) fires, (4) floods, (5) epidemics, (6) quarantine restrictions, (7) strikes, (8) freight embargoes, and (9) unusually severe weather. In each instance the failure to perform must be beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor.

(d) If the failure to perform is caused by the default of a subcontractor at any tier, and if the cause of the default is beyond the control of both the Contractor and subcontractor, and without the fault or negligence of either, the Contractor shall not be liable for any excess costs for failure to perform, unless the subcontracted supplies or services were obtainable from other sources in sufficient time for the Contractor to meet the required delivery schedule.

(e) If this contract is terminated for default, the State may require the Contractor to transfer title and deliver to the State, as directed by the Procurement Officer, any (1) completed supplies, and (2) partially completed supplies and materials, parts, tools, dies, jigs, fixtures, plans, drawings, information, and contract rights (collectively referred to as "manufacturing materials" in this clause) that the Contractor has specifically produced or acquired for the terminated portion of this contract. Upon direction of the Procurement Officer, the Contractor shall also protect and preserve property in its possession in which the State has an interest.

(f) The State shall pay contract price for completed supplies delivered and accepted. The Contractor and Procurement Officer shall agree on the amount of payment for manufacturing materials delivered and accepted and for the protection and preservation of the property; if the parties fail to agree, the Procurement Officer shall set an amount subject to the Contractor's rights under the Disputes clause. Failure to agree will be a dispute under the Disputes clause. The State may withhold from these amounts any sum the Procurement Officer determines to be necessary to protect the State against loss because of outstanding liens or claims of former lien holders.

(g) If, after termination, it is determined that the Contractor was not in default, or that the default was excusable, the rights and obligations of the parties shall, if the contract contains a clause providing for termination for convenience of the State, be the same as if the termination had been issued for the convenience of the State. If, in the foregoing circumstances, this contract does not contain a clause providing for termination for convenience of the State, the contract shall be adjusted to compensate for such termination and the contract modified accordingly subject to the contractor's rights under the Disputes clause.

(h) The rights and remedies of the State in this clause are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this contract.

[07-7B075-1]

ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION (NOV 2008)

(An overview is available at www.procurement.sc.gov) By signing your offer, you certify that you will comply with the applicable requirements of Title 8, Chapter 14 of the South Carolina Code of Laws and agree to provide to the State upon request any documentation required to establish either: (a) that Title 8, Chapter 14 is inapplicable to you and your subcontractors or sub-subcontractors; or (b) that you and your subcontractors or sub-subcontractors are in compliance with Title 8, Chapter 14. Pursuant to Section 8-14-60, "A person who knowingly makes or files any false, fictitious, or fraudulent document, statement, or report pursuant to this chapter is guilty of a felony, and, upon conviction, must be fined within the discretion of the court or imprisoned for not more than five years, or both." You agree to include in any contracts with your subcontractors language requiring your subcontractors to (a) comply with the applicable requirements of Title 8, Chapter 14, and (b) include in their contracts with the sub-subcontractors language requiring the sub-subcontractors to comply with the applicable requirements of Title 8, Chapter 14. [07-7B097-1]

INDEMNIFICATION-THIRD PARTY CLAIMS - GENERAL (NOV 2011)

Notwithstanding any limitation in this agreement, and to the fullest extent permitted by law, Contractor shall defend and hold harmless Indemnitees for and against any and all suits or claims of any character (and all related damages, settlement payments, attorneys' fees, costs, expenses, losses or liabilities) by a third party which are attributable to bodily injury, sickness, disease or death, or to injury to or destruction of tangible property arising out of or in connection with the goods or services acquired hereunder or caused in whole or in part by any act or omission of contractor, its subcontractors, their employees, workmen, servants, agents, or anyone directly or indirectly employed by them or anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable, regardless of whether or not caused in part by an Indemnitee, and whether or not such claims are made by a third party or an Indemnitee; however, if an Indemnitee's negligent act or omission is subsequently determined to be the sole proximate cause of a suit or claim, the Indemnitee shall not be entitled to indemnification hereunder. Contractor shall be given timely written notice of any suit or claim. Contractor's obligations hereunder are in no way limited by any protection afforded under workers' compensation acts, disability benefits acts, or other employee benefit acts. This clause shall not negate, abridge, or reduce any other rights or obligations of indemnity which would otherwise exist. The obligations of this paragraph shall survive termination, cancellation, or expiration of the parties' agreement. This provision shall be construed fairly and reasonably, neither strongly for nor against either party, and without regard to any clause regarding insurance. As used in this clause, "Indemnitees" means the State of South Carolina, its instrumentalities, agencies, departments, boards, political subdivisions and all their respective officers, agents and employees. [07-7B100-2]

LICENSES AND PERMITS (JAN 2006)

During the term of the contract, the Contractor shall be responsible for obtaining, and maintaining in good standing, all licenses (including professional licenses, if any), permits, inspections and related fees for each or any such licenses, permits and /or inspections required by the State, county, city or other government entity or unit to accomplish the work specified in this solicitation and the contract. [07-7B115-1]

PRICE ADJUSTMENTS (JAN 2006)

(1) Method of Adjustment. Any adjustment in the contract price made pursuant to a clause in this contract shall be consistent with this Contract and shall be arrived at through whichever one of the following ways is the most valid approximation of the actual cost to the Contractor (including profit, if otherwise allowed):

- (a) by agreement on a fixed price adjustment before commencement of the pertinent performance or as soon thereafter as practicable;
- (b) by unit prices specified in the Contract or subsequently agreed upon;
- (c) by the costs attributable to the event or situation covered by the relevant clause, including profit if otherwise allowed, all as specified in the Contract; or subsequently agreed upon;
- (d) in such other manner as the parties may mutually agree; or,
- (e) in the absence of agreement by the parties, through a unilateral initial written determination by the Procurement Officer of the costs attributable to the event or situation covered by the clause, including profit if otherwise allowed, all as computed by the Procurement Officer in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, subject to the provisions of Title 11, Chapter 35, Article 17 of the S.C. Code of Laws.

(2) Submission of Price or Cost Data. Upon request of the Procurement Officer, the contractor shall provide reasonably available factual information to substantiate that the price or cost offered, for any price adjustments is reasonable, consistent with the provisions of Section 11-35-1830.

PRICE ADJUSTMENT - LIMITED -- AFTER INITIAL TERM ONLY (JAN 2006)

Upon approval of the Procurement Officer, prices may be adjusted for any renewal term. Prices shall not be increased during the initial term. Any request for a price increase must be received by the Procurement Officer at least ninety (90) days prior to the expiration of the applicable term and must be accompanied by sufficient documentation to justify the increase. If approved, a price increase becomes effective starting with the term beginning after approval. A price increase must be executed as a change order. Contractor may terminate this contract at the end of the then current term if a price increase request is denied. Notice of termination pursuant to this paragraph must be received by the Procurement Officer no later than fifteen (15) days after the Procurement Officer sends contractor notice rejecting the requested price increase. [07-7B165-1]

PRICE ADJUSTMENTS -- LIMITED BY CPI "OTHER GOODS and SERVICES" (JAN 2006)

Upon request and adequate justification, the Procurement Officer may grant a price increase up to, but not to exceed, the unadjusted percent change for the most recent 12 months for which data is available, that is not subject to revision, in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for all urban consumers (CPI-U), "Other Goods & Services" for services, as determined by the Procurement Officer. The Bureau of Labor and Statistics publishes this information on the web at www.bls.gov [07-7B175-1]

PRICING DATA -- AUDIT -- INSPECTION (JAN 2006)

[Clause Included Pursuant to Section 11-35-1830, - 2210, & -2220] (a) Cost or Pricing Data. Upon Procurement Officer's request, you shall submit cost or pricing data, as defined by 48 C.F.R. Section 2.101 (2004), prior to either (1) any award to contractor pursuant to 11-35-1530 or 11-35-1560, if the total contract price exceeds \$500,000, or (2) execution of a change order or contract modification with contractor which exceeds \$100,000. Your price, including profit or fee, shall be adjusted to exclude any significant sums by which the state finds that such price was increased because you furnished cost or pricing data that was inaccurate, incomplete, or not current as of the date agreed upon between parties. (b) Records Retention. You shall maintain your records for three years from the date of final payment, or longer if requested by the chief Procurement Officer. The state may audit your records at reasonable times and places. As used in this subparagraph (b), the term "records" means any books or records that relate to cost or pricing data submitted pursuant to this clause. In addition to the obligation stated in this subparagraph (b), you shall retain all records and allow any audits provided for by 11-35-2220(2). (c) Inspection. At reasonable times, the state may inspect any part of your place of business which is related to performance of the work. (d) Instructions Certification. When you submit data pursuant to subparagraph (a), you shall (1) do so in accordance with the instructions appearing in Table 15-2 of 48 C.F.R. Section 15.408 (2004) (adapted as necessary for the state context), and (2) submit a Certificate of Current Cost or Pricing Data, as prescribed by 48 CFR Section 15.406-2(a) (adapted as necessary for the state context). (e) Subcontracts. You shall include the above text of this clause in all of your subcontracts. (f) Nothing in this clause limits any other rights of the state. [07-7B185-1]

RELATIONSHIP OF THE PARTIES (JAN 2006)

Neither party is an employee, agent, partner, or joint venturer of the other. Neither party has the right or ability to bind the other to any agreement with a third party or to incur any obligation or liability on behalf of the other party. [07-7B205-1]

TERM OF CONTRACT -- EFFECTIVE DATE / INITIAL CONTRACT PERIOD (JAN 2006)

The effective date of this contract is the first day of the Maximum Contract Period as specified on the final statement of award. The initial term of this agreement is 1-year(s), 0-month(s), 0-days from the effective date. Regardless, this contract expires no later than the last date stated on the final statement of award. [07-7B240-1]

TERM OF CONTRACT -- OPTION TO RENEW (FEB 2021)

At the end of the initial term, and at the end of each renewal term, this contract shall automatically renew for a period of 1-year(s), 0-month(s), and 0-day(s), unless contractor receives notice that the state elects not to renew the contract at least sixty (60) days prior to the date of renewal. Regardless, this contract expires no later than the last date stated on the final statement of award. [07-7B245-3]

TERM OF CONTRACT -- TERMINATION BY CONTRACTOR (JAN 2006)

Contractor may terminate this contract at the end of the initial term, or any renewal term, by providing the Procurement Officer notice of its election to terminate under this clause at least 90-days prior to the expiration of the then current term. [07-7B250-1]

TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE (JAN 2006)

(1) Termination. The Procurement Officer may terminate this contract in whole or in part, for the convenience of the State. The Procurement Officer shall give written notice of the termination to the contractor specifying the part of the contract terminated and when termination becomes effective.

(2) Contractor's Obligations. The contractor shall incur no further obligations in connection with the terminated work and on the date set in the notice of termination the contractor will stop work to the extent specified. The contractor shall also terminate outstanding orders and subcontracts as they relate to the terminated work. The contractor shall settle the liabilities and claims arising out of the termination of subcontracts and orders connected with the terminated work. The Procurement Officer may direct the contractor to assign the contractor's right, title, and interest under terminated orders or subcontracts to the State. The contractor must still complete the work not terminated by the notice of termination and may incur obligations as are necessary to do so.

(3) Right to Supplies. The Procurement Officer may require the contractor to transfer title and deliver to the State in the manner and to the extent directed by the Procurement Officer: (a) any completed supplies; and (b) such partially completed supplies and materials, parts, tools, dies, jigs, fixtures, plans, drawings, information, and contract rights (hereinafter called "manufacturing material") as the contractor has specifically produced or specially acquired for the performance of the terminated part of this contract. The contractor shall, upon direction of the Procurement Officer, protect and preserve property in the possession of the contractor in which the State has an interest. If the Procurement Officer does not exercise this right, the contractor shall use best efforts to sell such supplies and manufacturing materials in accordance with the standards of Uniform Commercial Code Section 2-706. Utilization of this Section in no way implies that the State has breached the contract by exercise of the Termination for Convenience Clause.

(4) Compensation. (a) The contractor shall submit a termination claim specifying the amounts due because of the termination for convenience together with cost or pricing data required by Section 11-35-1830 bearing on such claim. If the contractor fails to file a termination claim within one year from the effective date of termination, the Procurement Officer may pay the contractor, if at all, an amount set in accordance with Subparagraph (c) of this Paragraph.

(b) The Procurement Officer and the contractor may agree to a settlement and that the settlement does not exceed the total contract price plus settlement costs reduced by payments previously made by the State, the proceeds of any sales of supplies and manufacturing materials under Paragraph (3) of this clause, and the contract price of the work not terminated;

(c) Absent complete agreement under Subparagraph (b) of this Paragraph, the Procurement Officer shall pay the contractor the following amounts, provided payments agreed to under Subparagraph (b) shall not duplicate payments under this Subparagraph:

(i) contract prices for supplies or services accepted under the contract;

(ii) costs reasonably incurred in performing the terminated portion of the work less amounts paid or to be paid for accepted supplies or services;

(iii) reasonable costs of settling and paying claims arising out of the termination of subcontracts or orders pursuant to Paragraph (2) of this clause. These costs must not include costs paid in accordance with Subparagraph (c)(ii) of this paragraph;

(iv) any other reasonable costs that have resulted from the termination. The total sum to be paid the contractor under this Subparagraph shall not exceed the total contract price plus the reasonable settlement costs of the contractor reduced by the amount of payments otherwise made, the proceeds of any sales of supplies and manufacturing materials under Subparagraph (b) of this Paragraph, and the contract price of work not terminated.

(d) Contractor must demonstrate any costs claimed, agreed to, or established under Subparagraphs (b) and (c) of this Paragraph using its standard record keeping system, provided such system is consistent with any applicable Generally Accepted Accounting Principles.

(5) Contractor's failure to include an appropriate termination for convenience clause in any subcontract shall not (i) affect the State's right to require the termination of a subcontract, or (ii) increase the obligation of the State beyond what it would have been if the subcontract had contained an appropriate clause.

[07-7B265-1]

VIII. BIDDING SCHEDULE / PRICE-BUSINESS PROPOSAL

BIDDING SCHEDULE (NOV 2007)

Line Number	Quantity	Unit of Measure	Unit Price	Extended Price
0001	12.000	Months		
Product Catg.: 99046 - Guard and Security Services				
Item Description: Unarmed Security Services for MTC Total				
Grand Total for Unarmed Security Services for MTC campuseS for 60months				

Line Number	Quantity	Unit of Measure	Unit Price	Extended Price
0002	12.000	Months		
Product Catg.: 99046 - Guard and Security Services				
Item Description: Unarmed Security Services for Airport Campus located at: 1260 Lexington Drive, West Columbia, SC 29170				
Services will be provided twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week. 1 Security Officer per shift (168 hours per week). (special needs maybe required outside these hours or for additional personnel)				

Line Number	Quantity	Unit of Measure	Unit Price	Extended Price
0003	12.000	Months		
Product Catg.: 99046 - Guard and Security Services				
Item Description: Unarmed Security Services for Beltline Campus located at: 316 South Beltline Boulevard, Columbia, SC 29205				
Services will be provided twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week. 1 Security Officer per shift (168 hours per week). An additional Security Officer will be needed to receive and respond to telephone calls and monitor radio traffic at the following days and times: 11 p.m. to 7 a.m. Monday through Sunday and 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. Saturday through Sunday (78 hours per week). (special needs maybe required outside these hours or for additional personnel)				

Line Number	Quantity	Unit of Measure	Unit Price	Extended Price
0004	12.000	Months		
Product Catg.: 99046 - Guard and Security Services				
Item Description: Unarmed Security Services for Harbison Campus located at: 7300 College Street, Irmo, SC 29063				
Services will be required as follows based on the needs of the campuses: Often an officer is needed on Sundays. (special needs maybe required outside these hours)				
Number of Officers Needed		Times/Days		Hours Per/Week
1		7 a.m. to 3 p.m. – Monday through Saturday		48 hrs.
1		3 p.m. to 11 p.m. or until closing – Monday through Saturday		48 hrs.

Line Number	Quantity	Unit of Measure	Unit Price	Extended Price															
0005	12.000	Months																	
Product Catg.: 99046 - Guard and Security Services																			
Item Description: Unarmed Security Services for Northeast Campus located at: 151 Powell Rd., Columbia, SC 29203																			
Services will be required as follows based on the needs of the campuses:																			
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Line Number	Quantity	Unit of Measure	Unit Price	Extended Price
0006	12.000	Months		
Product Catg.: 99046 - Guard and Security Services				
Item Description: Unarmed Security Services for Batesburg-Leesville Campus located at: 423 College Street, Batesburg-Leesville, SC 29070				
Services will be required as follows as needed:				
Number of Officers Needed	Times/Days		Hours Per/Week	
1	7:30a to 5:30p – Monday through Friday (special needs maybe required outside these hours)		50 hrs.	

Line Number	Quantity	Unit of Measure	Unit Price	Extended Price
0007	12.000	Months		
Product Catg.: 99046 - Guard and Security Services				
Item Description: Unarmed Security Services for Fairfield Campus located at: 1674 Hwy 321 North Business, Winnsboro, SC 29180				
Services will be required as follows as needed:				
Number of Officers Needed		Times/Days		Hours Per/Week
1		7 a.m. to 5 p.m. – Monday through Thursday (special needs maybe required outside these hours)		40 hrs.

Line Number	Quantity	Unit of Measure	Unit Price	Extended Price						
0008	12.000	Months								
Product Catg.: 99046 - Guard and Security Services										
Item Description: Unarmed Security Services for Lexington Northlake Center located at: 702 North Lake Drive, Lexington, SC 29072										
Services will be required as follows as needed:										
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IX. ATTACHMENTS TO SOLICITATION

ATTACHMENTS LIST [09-9002-1]

The following documents are attached to this solicitation:

Attachment A – Airport Campus Map

Attachment B – Batesburg-Leesville Campus Map

Attachment C - Beltline Campus Map

Attachment D – Fairfield Campus Map

Attachment E – Harbison Campus Map

Attachment F – North Lake Campus Map

Attachment G – Northeast Campus Map

Attachment H – Redacted Invoice Example

Attachment I – Holiday Schedule Example

IMPORTANT TAX NOTICE - NONRESIDENTS ONLY

Withholding Requirements for Payments to Nonresidents: Section 12-8-550 of the South Carolina Code of Laws requires persons hiring or contracting with a nonresident conducting a business or performing personal services of a temporary nature within South Carolina to withhold 2% of each payment made to the nonresident. The withholding requirement does not apply to (1) payments on purchase orders for tangible personal property when the payments are not accompanied by services to be performed in South Carolina, (2) nonresidents who are not conducting business in South Carolina, (3) nonresidents for contracts that do not exceed \$10,000 in a calendar year, or (4) payments to a nonresident who (a) registers with either the S.C. Department of Revenue or the S.C. Secretary of State and (b) submits a Nonresident Taxpayer Registration Affidavit - Income Tax Withholding, Form I-312 to the person letting the contract.

The withholding requirement applies to every governmental entity that uses a contract ("Using Entity"). Nonresidents should submit a separate copy of the Nonresident Taxpayer Registration Affidavit - Income Tax Withholding, Form I-312 to every Using Entity that makes payment to the nonresident pursuant to this solicitation. Once submitted, an affidavit is valid for all contracts between the nonresident and the Using Entity, unless the Using Entity receives notice from the Department of Revenue that the exemption from withholding has been revoked.

Section 12-8-540 requires persons making payment to a nonresident taxpayer of rentals or royalties at a rate of \$1,200.00 or more a year for the use of or for the privilege of using property in South Carolina to withhold 7% of the total of each payment made to a nonresident taxpayer who is not a corporation and 5% if the payment is made to a corporation. Contact the Department of Revenue for any applicable exceptions.

For information about other withholding requirements (e.g., employee withholding), contact the South Carolina Department of Revenue at 1-844-898-8542 or visit the Department's website at: www.dor.sc.gov

This notice is for informational purposes only. This agency does not administer and has no authority over tax issues. All registration and withholding tax questions should be directed to the South Carolina Department of Revenue at 1-844-898-8542. Additional contact information can be found by visiting the Department's website at www.dor.sc.gov

PLEASE SEE THE "NONRESIDENT TAXPAYER REGISTRATION AFFIDAVIT INCOME TAX WITHHOLDING" FORM (FORM NUMBER I-312) LOCATED AT: www.dor.sc.gov

[09-9005-5]

OFFEROR'S CHECKLIST -- AVOID COMMON BID/PROPOSAL MISTAKES

Review this checklist prior to submitting your bid/proposal.

If you fail to follow this checklist, you risk having your bid/proposal rejected.

- Do not include any of your standard contract forms!
- Unless expressly required, do not include any additional boilerplate contract clauses.
- Reread your entire bid/proposal to make sure your bid/proposal does not take exception to any of the state's mandatory requirements.
- Make sure you have properly marked all protected, confidential, or trade secret information in accordance with the instructions entitled: SUBMITTING CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION. **DO NOT mark your entire bid/proposal as confidential, trade secret, or protected! Do not include a legend on the cover stating that your entire response is not to be released!**
- Have you properly acknowledged all amendments? Instructions regarding how to acknowledge an amendment should appear in all amendments issued.
- Make sure your bid/proposal includes a copy of the solicitation cover page. Make sure the cover page is signed by a person that is authorized to contractually bind your business.
- Make sure your Bid/proposal includes the number of copies requested.
- Check to ensure your Bid/proposal includes everything requested!
- If you have concerns about the solicitation, do not raise those concerns in your response! **After opening, it is too late! If this solicitation includes a pre-bid/proposal conference or a question & answer period, raise your questions as a part of that process!** Please see instructions under the heading "submission of questions" and any provisions regarding pre-bid/proposal conferences.

[09-9010-1]

AMENDMENTS TO SOLICITATION (JAN 2004)

The Solicitation may be amended at any time prior to opening. All actual and prospective Offerors should monitor the following web site for the issuance of Amendments: www.procurement.sc.gov (b) Offerors shall acknowledge receipt of any amendment to this solicitation (1) by signing and returning the amendment, (2) by identifying the amendment number and date in the space provided for this purpose on Page Two, (3) by letter, or (4) by submitting a bid that indicates in some way that the bidder received the amendment. (c) If this solicitation is amended, then all terms and conditions which are not modified remain unchanged. [02-2A005-1]

AMENDMENTS TO SOLICITATION (JUN 2017)

The solicitation is amended as provided herein. Information or changes resulting from questions will be shown in a question-and-answer format. All questions received have been reprinted below. The “State’s response” should be read without reference to the questions. The questions are included solely to provide a cross-reference to the potential offeror that submitted the question. Questions do not form a part of the contract; the “state’s response” does. Any restatement of part or all of an existing provision of the solicitation in an answer does not modify the original provision except as follows: Underlined text is added to the original provision. Stricken text is deleted. [02-2A097-1]

Scope of Work/Specifications:

1. The contractor must be licensed to do business in the State of South Carolina. The counties where the college’s campuses reside are Richland, Lexington, and Fairfield. Therefore, two of the requirements to successfully perform this contract are:
 - a. ~~Your firm must currently have and maintain a fully staffed office throughout the term of the contract in the state of South Carolina (i.e. preferably within 25 miles of Columbia, South Carolina) and~~
 - b. Your firm must have been in business for at least five (5) years.

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 - b. Your firm must have been in business for at least five (5) years.
8. ~~The Security supervisor will be provided an assigned college vehicle to travel between campuses as duties require.~~
Note: College vehicles shall be used for campus security related activities only. Any 2 unauthorized activities or loss outside of the contracted services and approval of the College, will be at the cost of the contractor.
8. The Security supervisor will be provided an assigned college vehicle to travel between campuses as duties require at **no cost to the Contractor.**
Note: College vehicles shall be used for campus security related activities only. Supervisor will be required to complete log for information purposes. Any 2 unauthorized activities or loss outside of the contracted services and approval of the College, will be at the cost of the contractor.
10. ~~The Security supervisor will ensure that all security officers are fully qualified for the security position to which they are assigned.~~
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~~12. The contractor is required to complete an approved background investigation and pay for processing of SLED licenses for security Officers. The contractor will provide a copy of the SLED license and a photograph for each Officer to the MTC Security Liaison prior to assignment.~~

12. The contractor is required to complete a background investigation (check) through SLED and pay for processing of SLED licenses for security officers. The contractor must provide a copy of the SLED license, a photograph and an attestation of BGC for each officer to the MTC Security Liaison prior to assignment.

22. Invoicing – The College will issue a purchase order to the successful vendor for the estimated annual dollars for services.
- a. Invoices must be submitted at the first of every month for labor furnished the previous month.
 - b. Invoices must be substantiated by accompanying time sheets furnishing the following information:
 - i. Employee's name
 - ii. Number of hours worked
 - iii. Pay rate
 - iv. Billing rate
 - v. Total due for the month
 - c. Invoices must include any applicable mileage driven by supervisor.
 - i. Log sheets must be included.
 - d. Request for verification of routine nightly patrols using printout from ~~Morse Watchman~~ or equivalent will be requested for random shifts during the monthly billing cycle.

22. Invoicing – The College will issue a purchase order to the successful vendor for the estimated annual dollars for services.

- c. Invoices must be submitted at the first of every month for labor furnished the previous month referencing MTC purchase order number. This will be a monthly charge (see redacted example of invoice & supporting documentation)
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~~INFORMATION FOR OFFERORS TO SUBMIT -- GENERAL (MAR 2015)~~

~~You shall submit a signed Cover Page and Page Two. If you submit your offer electronically, you must upload an image of a signed Cover Page and Page Two. Your offer should include all other information and documents requested in this part and in parts II.B. Special Instructions; III. Scope of Work; V. Qualifications; VIII. Bidding Schedule/Price Proposal; and any appropriate attachments addressed in Part IX. Attachments to Solicitations. You should submit a summary of all insurance policies you have or plan to acquire to comply with the insurance requirements stated herein, if any, including policy types; coverage types; limits, sub-limits, and deductibles for each policy and coverage type; the carrier's A.M. Best rating; and whether the policy is written on an occurrence or claims-made basis. [04-4010-2]~~

- ~~1. Technical Proposal~~
 - ~~a. Cover Letter~~
 - ~~b. Provide a technical narrative that outlines in detail, in addition to specific requirements above, how you plan to deliver on the requirements outlined in Section III including a staffing plan.~~
- ~~2. Qualifications and Experience~~
 - ~~a. Provide a detailed plan for qualifications and experience of personnel including any affiliations or applicable certifications.~~
 - ~~b. Provide details on past experience for contracts held of similar scope to this contract. This is NOT references, but details showing capabilities to perform this similar size and scope contract.~~
- ~~3. Price Proposal~~
 - ~~a. Pricing must be provided on the Bidding Schedule Pricing.~~

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3. Price Proposal
 - a. Pricing must be provided on the Bidding Schedule Pricing. Monthly Cost based on estimated weekly hours stated
 - b. Along with Bidding Schedule provide a cost break down:
 - i. Pay Rate
 - ii. Bill Rate
 - iii. Vendor's Mark Up

Solicitation 5400027563 Unarmed Security Services Questions

1. Who is the incumbent vendor?

STATE RESPONSE: Defender Services

2. How long has the current contractor provided security for MTC?

STATE RESPONSE: Since September 2019

3. Is the current contractor providing services under an Emergency Procurement Agreement?

STATE RESPONSE: No, the current contractor is not providing services under an Emergency Procurement Agreement.

4. What is the current turnover rate for the contract?

STATE RESPONSE: No personnel turnover for this contract.

5. If the incumbent personnel are hired, will legacy benefits and current wage rate carry over?

STATE RESPONSE: The Contractor will have to sole discretion.

6. Will the contractor who is awarded this contract be required to honor the legacy employee's tenure and grandfather their vacations based on their time of service?

STATE RESPONSE: The Contractor will have to sole discretion.

7. Are fuel costs directly billable or are those costs to be factored in our pricing?

STATE RESPONSE: Refer to Section III # 8. There is no fuel cost.

8. What are the hours of service per location?

STATE RESPONSE: This information is now listed in Section III. Scope of Work/Specifications

9. What are the holiday hours of service?

STATE RESPONSE: This information is now listed in Section III. Scope of Work/Specifications

10. How many special events do you have annually and what are the total number of additional service hours required?

STATE RESPONSE: Refer to Section III #20 under Unscheduled security officer hours

11. Is there a specific number of required on the job training hours for each job classification prior to assignment or is that to be determined by the vendor?

STATE RESPONSE: Refer to Section III. Scope of Work/Specification #10 & 12

12. Are medical benefits to be included in our pricing or billed separately?

STATE RESPONSE: Benefits are the Contractor's responsibility.

13. What electronic tracking system is currently in use?

STATE RESPONSE: Morris Watchman NRSE

14. Is this the lowest price bid?

STATE RESPONSE: No. Refer to clause "Award Criteria – Best Value Bids

15. Is there any specific equipment that the security vendor is to provide?

STATE RESPONSE: Refer to Section III. Scope of Work/Specification #17

16. Are there specific uniform requirements?

STATE RESPONSE: No, there are not specific uniform requirements. Uniforms must be professional in appearance, neat and clean and uniform among all officers.

17. When is the start date for this contract?

STATE RESPONSE: Estimated date will be at end of February 2025

18. Will the vendor be required to provide a separate hourly bill rate for temporary or emergency services that require armed officers?

STATE RESPONSE: No

19. Will the staff need to be CPR, First-Aid, and AED certified?

STATE RESPONSE: Yes

20. What are the current wages?

STATE RESPONSE: Supervisor Bill Rate \$23.63; Officer Bill Rate - \$12.34- \$14.34

21. What are the current hourly bill rates for routine, emergency, and temporary services?

STATE RESPONSE: Please refer to Question 20

22. Could you provide the average number of temporary service or emergency coverage hours the incumbent provided over the last year?

STATE RESPONSE: Estimated 1500 hours.

23. Is there any prevailing wage, living wage ordinance, state or local mandated wage, or contract?

a. Specific wage or collective bargaining agreement?

STATE RESPONSE: No, there are any prevailing

24. Are all security positions/locations for this BVB unarmed? If no, what is the breakdown of armed and unarmed hours per week/location?

STATE RESPONSE: Yes

25. What is the weekly number of service hours?

a. Will there be any fluctuation in the service hours?

b. If so, what would cause a significant increase or decrease?

STATE RESPONSE: This information is now listed in Section III. Scope of Work/Specifications

a. No

26. Will there be a law enforcement presence at all locations where the security staff would be working?

STATE RESPONSE: Yes

27. Will the security supervisor role be an 8-hour shift, presumably on the day shift, or will it be flexible enough to work rotating shifts?
- a. Does this role equate to being the designated Account Manager for this account?
- STATE RESPONSE:** Yes, supervisor on day shift. Yes
28. Will a 24/7 physical supervisory presence be necessary?
- STATE RESPONSE:** No
29. Section III Scope of Work/Specifications, #3 states that the contractor shall provide security supervisor @ \$23.63 per hour. Is this rate the direct pay rate of the supervisor or the billing rate to MTC?
- STATE RESPONSE:** This is a billing rate to MTC
30. Solicitation page 15, Section III. #2. The contractor shall provide a full-time Security Supervisor to supervise and coordinate contractor security operations at the college @ \$23.63 per hour. It was established during the Pre-bid Conference call on December 5, 2024, that this is the Supervisor bill rate. **Question:** Will you provide the “pay rate” for the Supervisor position or utilize this as the base rate for the Supervisor?
- STATE RESPONSE:** The bill rate that MTC will accept for a Supervisor is \$23.63
31. Solicitation page 15, Section III., #1.a. Your firm must currently have and maintain a fully staffed office throughout the term of the contract in the state of South Carolina (i.e., preferably within 25 miles of Columbia, South Carolina). **Question:** Will you consider a company whose staffed office is located within 75 miles of Columbia, SC?
- STATE RESPONSE:** This requirement has been changed to 50 miles. 75 miles is not acceptable
32. Solicitation page, 33, Section VIII Bidding Schedule/Price-Business Proposal. The unit of measure is stated in “Months.” **Question:** will you please consider changing the unit of measure to the number of hours required for each school location over the duration of the contract?
- STATE RESPONSE:** The Bidding Schedule will remain the same.
33. **General Question:** Based on past experience when submitting a bid via SCEIS, there has sometimes been inconsistency in how the Bidding Schedule prices are calculated vs. how the “Pricing in SCEIS” is set-up to match the Bidding Schedule. For consistency, please ensure that the data entry set-up in the SCEIS portal for pricing matches the pricing elements shown on the Bidding Schedule.
- STATE RESPONSE:** We will ensure that they match.
34. **General Question:** Is there an incumbent contractor? If so, who is it, and what is the current total value of the contract?
- STATE RESPONSE:** Defender Services. The total potential value of the contract listed on Intent to Award dated August 15, 2019, was \$3,729,648.00
35. What are the current bill rates and pay rates for security officers and for the security supervisor?
- STATE RESPONSE:** Supervisor Bill Rate \$23.63; Officer Bill Rate - \$12.34- \$14.34
- Supervisor Pay Rate \$17.50; Officer Pay Rate \$10.00 - \$12.00

36. Are all security positions currently staffed?

a. If not, what positions are currently unstaffed?

STATE RESPONSE: Yes

37. How many surety vehicles are provided by MTC?

STATE RESPONSE: Refer to Section III. Scope of Work/Specifications #7 and the Note.

38. How will the vehicles provided by MTC be marked and identified as security vehicles? (positioning of security decals, location of amber lights, etc.)

STATE RESPONSE: Vehicle will be marked with "Security"

39. For MTC provided security vehicles, will the Contractor place their own security decals/magnets on the vehicles?

STATE RESPONSE: Yes, Contractor will be able to utilize their security decals/magnets

40. Will any security vehicles be provided by the contractor?

a. If so, how many?

STATE RESPONSE: No, no security vehicles will be provided by the Contractor.

41. If any vehicles are provided by the contractor, will the total vehicle cost be priced and invoices separately, or would that need to be included in the mark-up of the total contract service hours?

STATE RESPONSE: Refer to Section III. Scope of Work/Specifications #7 and the Note.

42. Lexington campus is included in the solicitation, but it is not included in Section VIII – Bidding Schedule/Price-Business Proposal. Will Lexington campus be added to the Bidding Schedule with the next addendum?

STATE RESPONSE: This has been added to the bidding schedule

43. Section VIII only includes flat monthly rates for six (6) locations. There is not a place to provide Billing Rates and Pay rates for security officers or the security supervisor. Will this be modified with the next amendment?

a. If not, where should Offerors include the cost for the security supervisor?

STATE RESPONSE: Yes

44. No hours were provided per location with the Scope of Work. Can you provide a detailed list per campus that defines the contractor's required hours of coverage to include shift hours, specific posts, and number of officers per shift?

STATE RESPONSE: This information is now listed in Section III. Scope of Work/Specifications

Are the hours of coverage the same each week throughout the year?

a. If not, can you provide a schedule that indicates when hours of coverage are reduced or increased during the year?

STATE RESPONSE: There are fixed hours of coverage.

45. Section III – Scope of Work, Item #20 references approximately 1,500 "Unscheduled Security Officer Hours". Are these exact hours to be accounted for when determining pricing within the Bidding Schedule in Section VIII?

STATE RESPONSE: This is estimated hours which shall be accounted for when determining pricing within the Bidding Schedule.

46. **Section VIII – Bidding Schedule / Price-Business Proposal requires pricing to be presented as a flat monthly rate per location. Does MTC expect invoices to be flat monthly billing each month or should the invoices reflect actual billable hours worked during the invoice period?**

STATE RESPONSE: Invoice will be monthly charge. Supporting documentation will be required to show how monthly cost is calculated.

47. **Section III – Scope of Work, Item #21 states the invoices must include any applicable mileage driven by the supervisor. Does this mean that miles drive by the supervisor represent a billable service?**

- a. **If this not a direct billable service, can supervisor mileage be represented by a special report/log, rather than on an actual invoice?**

STATE RESPONSE: No. Supervisor will complete a log for informational purposes

48. **Is this a 8(a) contract?**

STATE RESPONSE: No, this is not a 8(a) contract.

49. **In the state of South Carolina, certified armed security officers have the same authority of a Sheriff's deputy. Why is the campus wanting unarmed rather than armed security?**

STATE RESPONSE: Midlands Technical College is aware of this authority and we are only seeking unarmed security during this bidding process.

50. **How many officers does each campus have for each shift?**

STATE RESPONSE: This information is now listed in Section III. Scope of Work/Specifications

What are the hours?

STATE RESPONSE: This information is now listed in Section III. Scope of Work/Specifications

51. **How many days a year is security needed?**

STATE RESPONSE: This information is now listed in Section III. Scope of Work/Specifications

52. **Do hours differ on the weekends?**

STATE RESPONSE: This information is now listed in Section III. Scope of Work/Specifications

53. **What are the current bill rates for unarmed guards and unarmed supervisors?**

STATE RESPONSE: Please refer to Question 20.

54. **What are the current pay rates for unarmed guards and unarmed supervisors?**

STATE RESPONSE: Supervisor Pay Rate \$17.50; Officer Pay Rate \$10.00 - \$12.00

55. **What are the main issues at these sites?**

STATE RESPONSE: For Security to ensure that the lock & unlock schedule is maintained

56. **Do you use an existing tour system?**

STATE RESPONSE: Morris Watchman NRSE

57. **Who is the current security services provider?**

STATE RESPONSE: Please refer to Question 1.

58. **I just want to confirm that the security vendor will not need to provide any vehicles for this contract, correct?**

STATE RESPONSE: Refer to Section III. Scope of Work/Specifications #7 and the Note.

59. Where is the line item pricing for North Lake Campus and the Security Supervisor position?

STATE RESPONSE: Please review the UPDATED Bidding Schedule in SECTION VIII

60. I understand that the security supervisor position must be paid \$23.63, but do the other unarmed security guard position have a minimum wage they need to be paid?

STATE RESPONSE: Refer to Section III. Scope of Work/Specification #2 b

61. What is the current position **pay** rates for each location?

STATE RESPONSE: Please refer to Question 54.

62. What is the current position **bill** rates for each location?

STATE RESPONSE: Only 1 Supervisor Bill Rate \$23.63; Officer Bill Rate - \$12.34- \$14.34

63. What uniform type is required?

STATE RESPONSE: There is not specific uniform requirement. Uniforms must be professional in appearance, neat, clean and uniform among all officers.

64. Are vehicles required? How many and at which locations?

STATE RESPONSE: Refer to Section III. Scope of Work/Specifications #7 and the Note.

65. What On-the-Job Training requirements do you have? How many hours?

STATE RESPONSE: There is no On-the-Job Training. The Security supervisor will ensure that all security officers are fully qualified and in accordance with SC State Mandates for the security position to which they are assigned.

66. What specialized training is required?

STATE RESPONSE: The Security supervisor will ensure that all security officers are fully qualified and in accordance with SC State Mandates for the security position to which they are assigned.

67. What annual refresher training is required (hours and topics)?

STATE RESPONSE: Contractor will ensure that all security officers are fully qualified and in accordance with SC State Mandates for the security position to which they are assigned and remain compliant

68. What federal holidays are observed? Does your security coverage change during the holidays?

STATE RESPONSE: MTC holiday schedule was provided with original BVB as an example however the holiday schedule is updated every year. No, security coverage doesn't change during holidays.

69. If the guards are performing administrative duties (log books/event logs), can this be done during active post time, or does additional relief time need to be allocated?

STATE RESPONSE: Yes, this can be done during active post time

70. Is there any specified type of medical/physical/psychological examination required? If so, please describe.

STATE RESPONSE: Contract is responsible to ensure accordance with SC State Mandates for the security position to which they are assigned.

71. What radios, phones or other communication equipment do you require?

STATE RESPONSE: Refer to Section III. Scope of Work/Specifications #6 & #17

72. What computers are required for the supervisors/managers?

STATE RESPONSE: Refer to Section III. Scope of Work/Specifications #6

73. Is earned vacation time to be honored by the awarded security services provider?

a. Can we direct bill this grandfather vacation?

STATE RESPONSE: This will be left to the discretion of the contractor. No, you can't direct bill MTC for this.

74. Do you use an existing tour system? If so, what is it? Is MTC willing to use another comparable system?

STATE RESPONSE: Morris Watchman NRSE and yes, we would be willing to use another system

75. Is the coverage needed for all campuses year round? Will you need coverage during specific holidays? Christmas, Thanksgiving, etc?

STATE RESPONSE: Yes, year around. All holidays

76. On page 15, under Scope of Work/Specifications, section 2- it states "The contractor shall provide a full-time Security supervisor to supervise and coordinate contractor security operations at the college. (@ \$23.63 per hour)" is this the bill rate or the pay rate?

STATE RESPONSE: This a bill rate

77. On page 16, under Scope of Work/Specifications, section 16, "The contractor shall provide the college with up to two (2) additional security officers on an emergency basis on a two (2) hour notice. Overtime is not to be charged except in rare circumstances and only with prior approval of the college's Chief of Police", does this mean that there is no holiday billing?

STATE RESPONSE: Yes, no holiday billing

78. Is earned vacation time to be honored by the awarded security services provider?

STATE RESPONSE: This will be left to the discretion of the contractor.

79. Who is the current security provider?

STATE RESPONSE: Please refer to Question 1.

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Exhibit D



MTC Cost Breakdown

Unarmed Security Officer Rates:

Pay = \$12.00 / Hour

Bill = \$16.32 / Hour

Unarmed Security Supervisor Rates:

Pay = \$17.50 / Hour

Bill = \$23.80 / Hour

Vendor Markup = **36%**