

# INVITATION FOR BID



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# IFB 16708163

Pest Control Services

FOR

Department of Corrections  
Southeast Correctional Center

Contract Period: May 1, 2016  
through April 30, 2017

Date of Issue: March 2, 2016  
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**Bids Must Be Received No Later Than:**

**2:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 29, 2016**

Sealed bids must be delivered to the Missouri Department of Corrections, Purchasing Section, 2729 Plaza Drive, Jefferson City, MO 65109, or P.O. Box 236, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102. The bidder should clearly identify the IFB number on the lower right or left-handed corner of the container in which the bid is submitted to the Department. This number is essential for identification purposes.

We hereby agree to provide the services and/or items, at the price quoted, pursuant to the requirements of this document and further agree that when this document is countersigned by an authorized official of the Missouri Department of Corrections, a binding contract, as defined herein, shall exist. The authorized signer of this document certifies that the contractor (named below) and each of its principals are not suspended or debarred by the federal government.

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_  
Federal EIN #: \_\_\_\_\_ State Vendor #: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Authorized Signer's Printed Name and Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Authorized Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Bid Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## NOTICE OF AWARD:

This bid is accepted by the Missouri Department of Corrections as follows:

Contract No. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Dave Dormire, Director, Division of Adult Institutions

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

*The original cover page, including amendments, should be signed and returned with the bid.*

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## 1. INTRODUCTION AND GENERAL INFORMATION

*This section of the IFB includes a brief introduction and background information about the intended services for which the requirements herein are written. The contents of this section are intended for informational purposes and do not require a response.*

### 1.1 Purpose:

1.1.1 The Missouri Department of Corrections (hereinafter referred to as the Department) is accepting competitive, sealed bids to establish a contract for pest control services for the Southeast Correctional Center (hereinafter referred to as the SECC) in accordance with the requirements and provisions stated herein.

### 1.2 Questions Regarding the IFB:

1.2.1 It is the bidder's responsibility to ask questions, request changes or clarifications, or otherwise advise the Department if the bidder believes that any language, specifications or requirements are: (1) ambiguous, (2) contradictory or arbitrary, or both, (3) violate any state or federal law or regulation, (4) restrict or limit the requirements to a single source, or (5) restrict or limit the bidder's ability to submit a bid.

a. Except as may be otherwise stated herein, the bidder and the bidder's agents (including subcontractors, employees, consultants, or anyone else acting on their behalf) must direct all of their questions or comments regarding the IFB, the solicitation process, the evaluation, etc., to the Buyer of Record indicated on the first page of this IFB. Inappropriate contacts to other personnel are grounds for suspension and/or exclusion from specific procurements. Bidders and their agents who have questions regarding this matter should contact the Buyer of Record.

1) The bidder may contact the Office of Equal Opportunity (OEO) regarding MBE/WBE certification or subcontracting with MBE/WBE companies.

b. All questions and issues should be submitted at least ten (10) working days prior to the due date of the bid. If not received prior to ten (10) working days before the bid due date, the Department may not be able to fully research and consider the respective questions or issues. Questions and issues relating to the IFB, including questions related to the competitive procurement process, must be directed to the Buyer of Record. It is preferred that questions be e-mailed to the Buyer of Record at [Lisa.Graham@doc.mo.gov](mailto:Lisa.Graham@doc.mo.gov).

c. The Department will attempt to ensure that a bidder receives an adequate and prompt response to questions, if applicable. Upon the Department's consideration of questions and issues, if the Department determines that changes are necessary, the resulting changes will be included in a subsequently issued IFB amendment(s); absence of such response indicates that the questions and issues were considered but deemed unnecessary for an IFB amendment as the questions and issues did not provide further clarity to the IFB. All bidders will be advised of any change to the IFB's language, specifications, or requirements by a formal amendment to the IFB.

NOTE: The only official position of the Department shall be that which is contained in the IFB and any amendments thereto.

### 1.3 Vendor Information:

1.3.1 The Department will be transitioning to the MissouriBUYS eProcurement system and recommends all potential vendors to visit <https://MissouriBUYS.mo.gov> to register as a vendor for future opportunities.

#### 1.4 Background Information:

1.4.1 The SECC is located at 300 E. Pedro Simmons Drive, Charleston, Missouri, and is an adult male correctional facility. SECC is a mixed custody facility that houses minimum, medium and maximum security offenders, with a current capacity of 1,656 adult males.

1.4.2 The buildings to be serviced are:

<u>Buildings</u>	<u>Approximate Square Feet</u>
Housing Units 1	14,620
Housing Units 2 – 6	185,160 (37,032 each)
Administration Building	19,560
Central Services Building	135,030
Garage	9,079
Maintenance Building	6,000
Observation Post 1	1,100
Observation Post 2	465
Power Plant	6,845
Bio Mass Building	4,800
Work Cadre Building (HU 7)	14,464
Pole Barn	5,000
Recycling Center	1,400
Strip-Out Building	144
Pump House	990
Containers 1 – 4	640 (160 each)
Container 5	320
Yards inside institution perimeter	391,880

#### 1.5 Tour of the Buildings

1.5.1 Potential bidders are invited to attend a non-mandatory tour of the buildings located at 300 E. Pedro Simmons Drive, Charleston, Missouri. The tour will be held on Tuesday, March 8, 2016, beginning promptly at 8:00 a.m. The purpose of the tour is to allow potential bidders to inspect the buildings before submitting a bid. **POTENTIAL BIDDERS SHALL NOT BE PERMITTED TO SCHEDULE TOURS AT DIFFERENT TIMES OR DATES.**

1.5.2 Any bidder interested in attending the tour should contact Sharon Underhill, Business Manager, at (573) 683-4409, ext 1020 or [Sharon.Underhill@doc.mo.gov](mailto:Sharon.Underhill@doc.mo.gov) at least three (3) business days prior to the tour to register.

- a. Any potential bidder interested in participating in a tour must provide the full name and valid Missouri driver's license number of each individual planning to attend a site inspection. If the bidder does not have a valid Missouri driver's license, their social security number and date of birth are required.
- b. Each potential bidder is limited to two (2) individuals at the tour. Potential bidders are allowed to bring a small flashlight, less than eight (8) inches in length, with AA batteries or lower.
- c. Each person attending the tour will be required to have a valid government issued ID. Cell phones, cameras, tape recorders, purses and/or camouflage attire will not be permitted inside the facility.
- d. The Department of Corrections reserves the right to accept or reject any person requesting a tour of the buildings.

- 1.5.3 Each bidder is solely responsible for a prudent and complete personal inspection, examination, and assessment of the work site condition, facilities, and/or any other existing condition, factor, or item that may affect or influence the performance of service described and required by the Contractual Requirements.
- 1.5.4 Bidders are strongly encouraged to advise the Department of Corrections at the time of making the appointment of any special accommodations needed for disabled personnel who will be attending the tour so that these accommodations can be made.

## **END OF SECTION ONE: INTRODUCTION AND GENERAL INFORMATION**

## **2. PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS**

### **2.1 General Requirements:**

- 2.1.1 The contractor shall provide pest control services for the buildings located at **300 E. Pedro Simmons Drive, Charleston, Missouri** for the Department of Corrections, (hereinafter referred to as the Department), in accordance with the provisions and requirements specified herein.
- 2.1.2 The contractor shall provide services during normal business hours of 8:00 a.m. through 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, or at times mutually agreeable to the contractor and the Department. The contractor must perform all pest control services as required herein in a manner satisfactory to and acceptable by the Department in order to provide a pest free environment for the building(s), the building(s) contents, and the building(s) residents and employees. In the event that services are not satisfactorily performed, the contractor shall, within twenty-four (24) hours after notification, provide additional follow-up services at no charge to the Department.
- 2.1.3 The contractor shall agree and understand that the Department shall assign a contact person (hereinafter referred to as the “designated representative”). The Department reserves the right to have the designated representative accompany the contractor during the performance of the contractor’s duties as specified herein, as well as, any follow-up services for unsatisfactory performance. Prior to each service call, the contractor shall report to the designated representative to sign in and obtain any performance problem tickets indicating areas for follow-up service, etc.
- 2.1.4 The contractor shall provide services for all areas described in the Introduction and General Information of this document. However, at any time during the effective period of the contract, the Department reserves the right to change, add to, or delete areas of the building(s) for which the contractors shall provide services. In such event, payment to the contractor shall be adjusted as specified in the Payment and Invoicing Requirements of this document.
- 2.1.5 The contractor shall provide all labor, supervision, materials, etc. necessary for performing the requirements of the contract.
- 2.1.6 The contractor shall understand and agree that because the contractor was familiar with the building(s) and the conditions that existed prior to the award of the contract, the contractor shall not be relieved of the performance of the provisions and requirements specified herein.

### **2.2 Equipment and Supply Requirements:**

- 2.2.1 The contractor must furnish and maintain, in good repair, all equipment necessary to perform the requirements of the contract.
- 2.2.2 The contractor shall use chemicals that conform to federal, state and local requirements. The contractor must be in compliance with all provisions of chapter 281 RSMo, Missouri Pesticide Use Act, applicable to the contractor’s service for the contract.

2.2.3 Products, Supplies, and Materials, hereinafter also referred to as "products" – The contractor shall agree and understand that the Department shall have the right to approve/disapprove the use of any product used in the performance of the services required herein.

a. Environmentally Preferable - In the performance of the services required herein, the contractor should use environmentally preferable products, unless specified elsewhere.

1) For the purposes of the contract, "environmentally preferable" shall be defined as those products that have a lesser or reduced effect on human health and the environment when compared with competing products that serve the same purpose. The comparison may consider raw materials acquisition, production, manufacturing, packaging, distribution, reuse/post consumer content, operation, biodegradability, and pollution prevention through source reduction.

2.2.4 Prior to the contractor’s use of any product/chemical in the building, the contractor shall provide a Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) for each such product/chemical. The contractor must maintain a file of the MSDS with the Fire & Safety Officer on site. The MSDS shall become the property of the State of Missouri.

2.2.5 The contractor shall take all necessary precautions to prevent injury to humans and property and to prevent environment damage. The contractor shall not use any products, supplies or equipment which may be injurious or damaging to the surfaces upon which they shall be applied.

**2.3 Specific Service Requirements:**

2.3.1 The contractor shall provide pest control services using one, some or all of the below methods as necessary to provide optimum control. The contractor may use other methods of pest control upon approval by the Department. Any such methods shall be included in the prices specified on **EXHIBIT A, Pricing Page.**

- a. Crack and crevice treatment.
- b. Spot application
- c. Ultra-low volume application
- d. Residual treatment
- e. Insect baits (fly strips)
- f. Covered bait stations for rodent control
- g. Glue traps for insects and small rodents (must be non-toxic)

2.3.2 The contractor shall provide pest control services necessary to control pests, including but not limited to, the following:

Rats, both indoors and outdoors	Flies	Water bugs	Spiders
Mice, both indoors and outdoors	Ants	Fruit Flies (Gnats)	Mosquitos
All species of Roaches	Springtails	Silverfish	

2.3.3 The contractor shall provide a supply of fly strips and glue traps as requested by the facility.

2.3.4 The contractor shall provide initial treatment of all specified areas and shall provide routine treatments in accordance with the minimum service schedule outlined herein. The contractor must coordinate the exact timing of routine services with the Department in order to pose the least disruption and discomfort to offenders and employees of the Department.

2.3.5 The contractor shall treat all areas of the facility as needed to control pests in the specified areas in accordance with the minimum service schedule specified below:

- a. **BI-MONTHLY REQUIREMENTS:** Two (2) times every month, within the first and third week of each month, the contractor shall treat the sections of Central Services Building that includes the kitchen, dining areas, canteen and the food service section of the warehouse.
  - b. **MONTHLY REQUIREMENTS:** One (1) time every month, within the first ten (10) workdays of each month, the contractor shall treat all areas of the Central Services Building that are not being treated bi-monthly, all Housing Units (1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6), Recycling Building, Work Cadres Building and all areas of the Administration Building.
  - c. **QUARTERLY REQUIREMENTS:** One (1) time every quarter, within the first ten (10) workdays of January, April, July and October, the contractor shall treat the Maintenance Building, Garage, Power Plant, Observation Posts (1 and 2), Pole Barn, Strip-Out Building, Pump House and Containers (1, 2, 3, 4 and 5).
  - d. **SEMI-ANNUAL REQUIREMENTS:** Two (2) times every year, within the first ten (10) workdays of January and July, the contractor shall treat all areas of the Garage and the Bio Mass Building. Two (2) times every year (in the spring and in the fall), the contractor shall fog the yards inside the institution's perimeter security fence for clover mites and spider mites. Two (2) times every year (in the spring and in the fall), the contractor shall fog the Observation Towers (2) for wasps, yellow jackets and bees.
- 2.3.6 In the event that treatment is required to eliminate re-infestation, the contractor shall treat the entire building(s) to preclude the re-infestation of pests.
- 2.3.7 The contractor shall alternate chemicals used for subsequent treatments to preclude possible resistance by pests to a particular chemical. The contractor shall not use poison or poisonous bait for rodent control.
- 2.3.8 The contractor shall perform all services in a safe manner and in accordance with the most modern and professional pest control procedures recommended by the National Pest Control Association.
- 2.3.9 The contractor must be in compliance with chapter 281 RSMo, Missouri Pesticide Act of 1974, and license and certification shall be for the category applicable to service required.
- 2.4 Personnel and Security Requirements:**
- 2.4.1 The Department reserves the right to approve or disapprove appointment of any of the contractor's personnel to provide services required by the contract. The Department also reserves the right to request replacement of any person assigned to provide services. Unless the situation regarding the contractor's assigned personnel requires immediate replacement, the contractor shall be allowed at least fourteen (14) days after notification to replace unsatisfactory personnel.
- 2.4.2 The contractor shall supervise all the contractor's personnel and the services provided by such personnel as required to satisfactorily perform the requirements of the contract.
- 2.4.3 The contractor, or the contractor's personnel designated as a representative of the contractor (hereinafter referred to as the "*contractor contact person*"), must be available during normal business hours (8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.) for telephone conversations and/or meetings with personnel from the Department and the lead tenant contact person regarding the pest control services.
- a. Such contractor contact person must have the express authority to speak on behalf of the contractor and make decisions on behalf of the contractor.

- b. By no later than ten (10) days after the award of the contract, the contractor shall provide the state agency and lead tenant contact person with the name, address, and telephone number for the contractor contact person.
- 2.4.4 The contractor's personnel shall only be allowed in work areas to which they are assigned. The contractor's personnel shall only take rest breaks in pre-assigned areas.
- 2.4.5 The contractor must ensure that each of the contractor's assigned personnel are reasonably dressed and groomed while on site, are wearing an article of clothing identifying the contractor, and have a visible picture identification tag at all times.
- 2.4.6 The contractor and/or the contractor's personnel must sign-in immediately upon arrival and prior to any services being provided and sign-out prior to leaving the building. The contractor must provide the sign-in/sign-out sheets. In addition, the sign-in/sign-out sheets must remain at a location designated by the state agency or lead tenant contact person.
- 2.4.7 The contractor's personnel shall not loiter in the building(s) nor smoke anywhere in the building(s), including any interior loading dock area.
- 2.4.8 The contractor shall not use nor allow the contractor's personnel to use any State of Missouri telephones or equipment in the building(s).

## **2.5 Contractor's Employees**

- 2.5.1 The contractor and all of the contractor's employees and agents providing services in any Department of Corrections institution must be at least 18 years of age. A Missouri Uniform Law Enforcement System (MULES) check or other background investigation may be required on the contractor, the contractor's employees and agents before they are allowed entry into the institution. The contractor, its employees and agents understand and agree that the Department may complete criminal background records checks every year for the contractor and the contractor's employees and agents that have the potential to have contact with inmates.
- 2.5.2 The institution shall have the right to deny access into the institution for the contractor and any of the contractor's employees and agents for any reason, at the discretion of the institution.
- 2.5.3 The contractor, its employees and agents under active federal or state felony or misdemeanor supervision must receive written division director approval prior to providing services pursuant to a Department contract. Similarly, contractors/employees/agents with prior felony convictions and not under active supervision must receive written division director approval in advance.
- 2.5.4 The contractor, its employees and agents shall at all times observe and comply with all applicable state statutes, Department rules, regulations, guidelines, internal management policies and procedures, and general orders of the Department that are applicable, regarding operations and activities in and about all Department property. Furthermore, the contractor, its employees and agents, shall not obstruct the Department or any of its designated officials from performing their duties in response to court orders or in the maintenance of a secure and safe correctional environment. The contractor shall comply with the Department's policies and procedures relating to employee conduct.
  - a. The Department has a zero tolerance policy for any form of sexual misconduct to include staff/contractor/volunteer on offender, or offender on offender, sexual harassment, sexual assault, sexual abuse and consensual sex.
    - 1) Any contractor or contractor's employee or agent who witnesses any form of sexual misconduct must immediately report it to the warden of the institution. If a contractor or contractor's employee or agent fails to report or knowingly condones sexual harassment or sexual contact with or between

offenders, the Department may cancel the contract, or at the Department's sole discretion, require the contractor to remove the employee/agent from providing services under the contract.

- 2) Any contractor or contractor's employee or agent who engages in sexual abuse shall be prohibited from entering the institution and shall be reported to law enforcement agencies and licensing bodies, as appropriate.

2.5.5 The contractor, its employees and agents shall not interact with the offenders except as is necessary to perform the requirements of the contract. The contractor, its employees and agents shall not give anything to nor accept anything from the offenders except in the normal performance of the contract.

2.5.6 If any contractor or contractor's employee or agent is denied access into the institution for any reason or is denied approval to provide service to the Department for any reason stated herein, it shall not relieve the contractor of any requirements of the contract. If the contractor is unable to perform the requirements of the contract for any reason, the contractor shall be considered in breach.

## **2.6 E-Verify:**

2.6.1 If the contractor meets the definition of a business entity as defined in section 285.525 RSMo, pertaining to section 285.530 RSMo, the contractor shall maintain enrollment and participation in the E-Verify federal work authorization program with respect to the employees hired after enrollment in the program who are proposed to work in connection with the contracted services included herein. If the contractor's business status changes during the life of the contract to become a business entity as defined in section 285.525 RSMo, pertaining to section 285.530 RSMo, then the contractor shall, prior to the performance of any services as a business entity under the contract:

- a. Enroll and participate in the E-Verify federal work authorization program with respect to the employees hired after enrollment in the program who are proposed to work in connection with the services required herein; and
- b. Provide to the Department the documentation required **EXHIBIT G, Business Entity Certification, Enrollment Documentation, and Affidavit of Work Authorization** affirming said company's/individual's enrollment and participation in the E-Verify federal work authorization program; and
- c. Submit to the Department a completed, notarized Affidavit of Work Authorization provided in the **EXHIBIT G, Business Entity Certification, Enrollment Documentation, and Affidavit of Work Authorization**.

2.6.2 In accordance with subsection 2 of section 285.530 RSMo, the contractor should renew their Affidavit of Work Authorization annually. A valid Affidavit of Work Authorization is necessary to award any new contracts.

## **2.7 Reporting Requirements:**

2.7.1 Upon performing any service required herein, including but not limited to any of the weekly or monthly services, the contractor shall present a report to the Department's designated representative indicating areas serviced, infestation(s) present and the corrective action taken.

2.7.2 The contractor shall inform the Department's designated representative regarding safety precautions, if any, that should be exercised when using a recently treated area.

## **2.8 Invoicing and Payment Terms:**

2.8.1 All payment terms shall be as stated in the terms and conditions of this contract. Payments will be processed based on final delivery, inspection, and acceptance of the items/services.

- 2.8.2 The contractor shall accurately invoice per the price indicated on **EXHIBIT A, Pricing Page**.
- 2.8.3 The Department may choose to use the state purchasing card (Visa) in place of a purchase order to make purchases in the IFB. Unless exception to this condition is indicated on **EXHIBIT A, Pricing Page**, the contractor agrees to accept the state purchasing card as an acceptable form of payment and may not charge any additional fees related to the use of a state purchasing card such as service fees, merchant fees, and/or handling charges.
- a. If the Department issues a purchase order, an itemized invoice shall be emailed to [doc.payables@doc.mo.gov](mailto:doc.payables@doc.mo.gov) or mailed to:
- Accounts Payable/SECC  
Missouri Department of Corrections  
Fiscal Management Unit  
PO Box 236  
Jefferson City, MO 65102
- 2.8.4 Each invoice submitted **must** be specific to **one** purchase order number, referenced on the invoice, and must be itemized in accordance with items listed on the purchase order. Failure to comply with this requirement may delay processing of invoices for payment. Emailed invoices should contain the purchase order number in the subject line.
- a. If the state purchasing card (Visa) is used for payment, an itemized invoice reflecting the charged amount must be faxed or emailed to the institution within one (1) business day. **The state purchasing card shall not be charged until the goods/services are received and accepted.**
- 2.8.5 The contractor's invoice should include any discount for prompt payment as indicated on **EXHIBIT A, Pricing Page**.
- 2.8.6 If the contractor maintains an e-commerce web application that enables Department staff to view and print invoices and invoice history, the contractor shall indicate on **EXHIBIT A, Pricing Page** the web site address where Department staff may access invoices. Upon award of contract, the contractor shall provide the Department with a customer number in order for Department staff to access invoices and invoice history.
- 2.8.7 The Department does not pay state or federal sales tax. The Department shall not make additional payments or pay add-on charges.

## **END OF SECTION 2: PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS**

### **3. GENERAL CONTRACTUAL REQUIREMENTS**

*This section of the IFB includes the general contractual requirements and provisions that shall govern the contract after IFB award. The contents of this section include mandatory provisions that must be adhered to by the Department and the contractor unless changed by a contract amendment. Response to this section by the bidder is not necessary as all provisions are mandatory.*

#### **3.1 Contractual Requirements:**

- 3.1.1 Contract – A binding contract shall consist of: (1) the IFB and any amendments thereto, (2) the contractor's response (bid) to the IFB, (3) clarification of the bid, if any, and (4) the Department acceptance of the bid by "notice of award" or by "purchase order." All Exhibits and Attachments included in the IFB shall be incorporated into the contract by reference.

- a. A notice of award does not constitute a directive to proceed. Before providing equipment, supplies and/or services, the contractor must receive a properly authorized purchase order.
  - b. The contract expresses the complete agreement of the parties and performances shall be governed solely by the specifications and requirements contained therein.
- 3.1.2 Contract Period – The original contract period shall be as stated on page one (1) of the IFB. The contract shall not bind, nor purport to bind, the state for any contractual commitment in excess of the original contract period. The Department shall have the right, at its sole option, to renew the contract for two (2) additional one-year periods, or any portion thereof. In the event the Department exercises such right, all terms, and conditions, requirements and specifications of the contract shall remain the same and apply during the renewal period.
- 3.1.3 Renewal Periods – If the Department exercises the option for renewal, the contractor shall agree that the prices for the renewal period shall not exceed the maximum price quoted for the applicable renewal periods stated on the Pricing Page of the contract.
  - a. The Department does not automatically exercise its option for renewal based upon the maximum price and reserves the right to request renewal of the contract at a price less than the maximum price stated.
  - b. If renewal prices are not provided, then prices during renewal periods shall be the same as during the original period.
- 3.1.4 Contract Price - All prices shall be as stated on **EXHIBIT A**, Pricing Page. The Department shall not pay, nor be liable, for any other costs including, but not limited to, taxes, insurance, interest, penalties, termination payments, attorney fees, liquidated damages, etc.
- 3.1.5 Termination - The Department reserves the right to terminate the contract at any time, for the convenience of the State of Missouri, without penalty or recourse, by giving written notice to the contractor at least thirty (30) calendar days prior to the effective date of such termination. The contractor shall be entitled to receive compensation for services and/or supplies delivered to and accepted by the Department pursuant to the contract prior to the effective date of termination.
- 3.1.6 Contractor Liability - The contractor shall agree that the State of Missouri shall not be responsible for any liability incurred by the contractor or the contractor's employees arising out of the ownership, selection, possession, leasing, rental, operation, control, use, maintenance, delivery, return, and/or installation of equipment provided by the contractor, except as otherwise provided in the contract.
- 3.1.7 The contractor shall be responsible for any and all personal injury (including death) or property damage as a result of the contractor's negligence involving any equipment or service provided under the terms and conditions, requirements and specifications of the contract. In addition, the contractor assumes the obligation to save the State of Missouri, including its agencies, employees, and assignees, from every expense, liability, or payment arising out of such negligent act.
  - a. The contractor also agrees to hold the State of Missouri, including its agencies, employees, and assignees, harmless for any negligent act or omission committed by any subcontractor or other person employed by or under the supervision of the contractor under the terms of the contract.
  - b. The contractor shall not be responsible for any injury or damage occurring as a result of any negligent act or omission committed by the State of Missouri, including its agencies, employees, and assignees.
- 3.1.8 Insurance - The contractor shall understand and agree that the State of Missouri cannot save and hold harmless and/or indemnify the contractor or employees against any liability incurred or arising as a result of any activity of the contractor or any activity of the contractor's employees related to the contractor's performance under the contract. Therefore, the contractor must acquire and maintain adequate liability insurance in the form(s) and amount(s) sufficient to protect the State of Missouri, its agencies, its employees, its clients, and the general public

against any such loss, damage and/or expense related to his/her performance under the contract. General and other non-professional liability insurance shall include an endorsement that adds the State of Missouri as an additional insured. Self-insurance coverage or another alternative risk financing mechanism may be utilized provided that such coverage is verifiable and irrevocably reliable and the State of Missouri is protected as an additional insured.

- a. In the event the insurance coverage is canceled, the Department must be notified within thirty (30) calendar days.
- 3.1.10 Subcontractors – Any subcontracts for the products/services described herein must include appropriate provisions and contractual obligations to ensure the successful fulfillment of all contractual obligations agreed to by the contractor and the Department and to ensure that the Department is indemnified, saved, and held harmless from and against any and all claims of damage, loss, and cost (including attorney fees) of any kind related to a subcontract in those matters described in the contract between the Department and the contractor.
- a. The contractor shall expressly understand and agree that he/she shall assume and be solely responsible for all legal and financial responsibilities related to the execution of a subcontract.
  - b. The contractor shall agree and understand that utilization of a subcontractor to provide any of the products/services in the contract shall in no way relieve the contractor of the responsibility for providing the products/services as described and set forth herein.
- 3.1.11 Notices – Any written notice to the contractor shall be deemed sufficient when emailed to the contractor at the email address designated in the contract, or to an email address the contractor may have requested in writing, or deposited in the United States mail, postage prepaid and addressed to the contractor at the address designated in the contract, or at an address the contractor may have requested in writing.
- 3.1.12 Point of Contact - The contractor shall function as the single point of contact for all contract activities regardless of any subcontract arrangement for any product or service. This shall include assuming responsibilities and liabilities for any and all problems relating to all materials, equipment and services provided.
- 3.1.13 Participation by Other Organizations: The contractor must comply with any Organization for the Blind/Sheltered Workshop and/or Service-Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise (SDVE) participation levels committed to in the contractor's awarded bid.
- a. The contractor shall prepare and submit to the Department a report detailing all payments made by the contractor to Organizations for the Blind/Sheltered Workshops and/or SDVEs participating in the contract for the reporting period. The contractor must submit the report on a monthly basis, unless otherwise determined by the Department.
  - b. The Department will monitor the contractor's compliance in meeting the Organizations for the Blind/Sheltered Workshop and SDVE participation levels committed to in the contractor's awarded bid. If the contractor's payments to the participating entities are less than the amount committed, the state may cancel the contract and/or suspend or debar the contractor from participating in future state procurements, or retain payments to the contractor in an amount equal to the value of the participation commitment less actual payments made by the contractor to the participating entity. If the Department determines that the contractor becomes compliant with the commitment, any funds retained as stated above, will be released.
  - c. If a participating entity fails to retain the required certification or is unable to satisfactorily perform, the contractor must obtain other organizations for the blind/sheltered workshops or other SDVEs to fulfill the participation requirements committed to in the contractor's awarded bid.
    - 1) The contractor must obtain the written approval of the Department for any new entities. This approval shall not be arbitrarily withheld.

- 2) If the contractor cannot obtain a replacement entity, the contractor must submit documentation to the Department detailing all efforts made to secure a replacement. The Department shall have sole discretion in determining if the actions taken by the contractor constitute a good faith effort to secure the required participation and whether the contract will be amended to change the contractor's participation commitment.
- d. No later than 30 days after the effective date of the first renewal period, the contractor must submit an affidavit to the Department. The affidavit must be signed by the director or manager of the participating Organizations for the Blind/Sheltered Workshop verifying provision of products and/or services and compliance of all contractor payments made to the Organizations for the Blind/Sheltered Workshops. The contractor may use the affidavit available on the Office of Administration/Division of Purchasing and Materials Management's website at [http:// oa.mo.gov/sites/default/files/bswaffidavit.doc](http://oa.mo.gov/sites/default/files/bswaffidavit.doc) or another affidavit providing the same information.

### **3.2 Affidavit of Work Authorization and Documentation:**

- 3.2.1 The contractor shall only utilize personnel authorized to work in the United States in accordance with applicable federal and state laws. This includes, but is not limited to, the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigration Responsibility Act (IIRIRA) and INA Section 274A.
- 3.2.2 If the contractor is found to be in violation of this requirement or the applicable state, federal and local laws and regulations, and if the State of Missouri has reasonable cause to believe that the contractor has knowingly employed individuals who are not eligible to work in the United States, the state shall have the right to cancel the contract immediately without penalty or recourse and suspend or debar the contractor from doing business with the state. The state may also withhold up to twenty-five percent of the total amount due to the contractor.
- 3.2.3 The contractor shall agree to fully cooperate with any audit or investigation from federal, state or local laws enforcement agencies.

## **END OF SECTION THREE: GENERAL CONTRACTUAL REQUIREMENTS**

### **4. BID SUBMISSION, EXHIBITS, EVALUATION AND AWARD INFORMATION**

#### **4.1 Submission of Bids:**

- 4.1.1 The bidder should include the original bid, completed exhibits, forms, and other information concerning the bid, including completed Pricing Page(s), with the bid.
  - a. Bids must be signed and returned with all necessary attachments to the Purchasing Section by the bid date and time as stated on the first page of this IFB. Specifically, **any** form containing a signature line such as page 1 of the original IFB and any amendments thereafter, **EXHIBIT A**, Pricing Page, etc., shall be manually signed and returned as part of the bid.
  - b. Recycled Products - The Department recognizes the limited nature of our resources and the leadership role of government agencies in regard to the environment. Accordingly, the bidder may request to print the bid double-sided using recycled paper, if possible, and minimize or eliminate the use of non-recyclable materials such as plastic report covers, plastic dividers, vinyl sleeves, and binding. Lengthy bids may be submitted in a notebook or binder.
- 4.1.2 Open Records – Pursuant to section 610.021, RSMo, the bid shall be considered an open record after the contract is awarded. Therefore, the bidder is advised not to include any information that the bidder does not want to be viewed by the public, including personal identifying information such as social security numbers.

- a. In preparing a bid, the bidder should be mindful of document preparation efforts for imaging purposes and storage capacity that will be required to image the bids and should limit bid content to items that provide substance, quality of content, and clarity of information.
  - b. Additionally, after a contract is executed, the contract(s) is scanned into the Department's imaging system. The scanned information will be available for viewing through the Internet at <http://doc.mo.gov/DHS/Contracts.php>.
- 4.1.3 Compliance with Terms and Conditions - The bidder is cautioned when submitting pre-printed terms and conditions or other types of material to make sure such documents do not contain terms and conditions which conflict with those of the IFB. The bidder agrees that in the event of conflict between any of the bidder's terms and conditions and those contained in the IFB that the IFB shall govern. Taking exception to the Department's terms and conditions may render a bidder's bid non-responsive and may remove it from consideration for award.
- 4.1.4 Bid Detail Requirements and Deviation - It is the bidder's responsibility to submit a bid that meets all mandatory requirements stated herein. The bidder should clearly identify any deviations from both the mandatory and desirable requirements stated in the IFB on the pricing pages. Any deviation from a mandatory requirement may render the bid non-responsive; any deviation from a desirable requirement may be reviewed by the Department as to its acceptability and impact on competition.
- 4.2 EXHIBIT A, Pricing Page:**
- 4.2.1 The bidder must submit a firm, fixed commission rate for the original contract period and all renewal periods on **EXHIBIT A, Pricing Page**. The commission rate bid shall remain valid for 90 days from bid closing date unless otherwise indicated.
- 4.2.2 Bidders who are employees of the State of Missouri, a member of the General Assembly or a statewide Elected official must comply with sections 105.450 to 105.458 RSMo regarding conflict of interest. If the bidder or any owner of the bidder's organization is currently an employee of the State of Missouri, a member of the General Assembly or a statewide elected official, please complete **EXHIBIT A, Pricing Page**.
- 4.3 EXHIBIT B, Miscellaneous Information:**
- 4.3.1 The bidder must state on **EXHIBIT B, Miscellaneous Information** its refund procedure which covers cases where a customer does not receive the product paid for or receives an outdated or otherwise unacceptable product.
- 4.3.2 Familiarity with the Building – The bidder must be familiar with the buildings. In order to be considered *familiar* with the buildings, the bidder must either have attended the scheduled tour or have knowledge of the buildings and any existing conditions and factors of the buildings that may affect the performance of the required services.
- a. The Department will maintain an attendance record documenting the bidders who attended the scheduled tour. The bidder shall be responsible for ensuring the bidder's attendance at the tour is documented. If the attendance record does not document the bidder's attendance at the tour, the bidder will not be recognized for having attended the tour.
  - b. If the bidder did not attend the scheduled tour, the bidder must provide relevant information regarding the bidder's knowledge of the buildings and any existing conditions and factors of the buildings that may affect the performance of the required services. Space is provided for the bidder to provide such information on **EXHIBIT B, Miscellaneous Information**.
    - 1) For purposes of this procurement, a bidder will be considered knowledgeable of the buildings for reasons including, but not necessarily limited to, providing pest control services in the buildings within the past three (3) years.

- 2) The bidder is advised that a review of building floor plans, an independent public viewing of the building, or discussions with Department personnel regarding the buildings shall not, for pest control service purposes, satisfy the requirement regarding a bidder having knowledge of the buildings

#### **4.4 EXHIBIT C, Current/Prior Experience:**

- 4.4.1 The bidder must complete **EXHIBIT C, Current/Prior Experience** to demonstrate performance responsibility and reliability of pest control services. The bidder should provide information related to current and previous contracts performed by the bidder's organization which are similar to the requirements of this IFB.

#### **4.5 EXHIBIT D, Participation Commitment and EXHIBIT E, Documentation of Intent to Participate:**

- 4.5.1 Preference for Organizations for the Blind and Sheltered Workshops - Pursuant to section 34.165, RSMo, and 1 CSR 40-1.050, a ten (10) bonus point preference shall be granted to bidders including products and/or services manufactured, produced or assembled by a qualified nonprofit organization for the blind established pursuant to 41 U.S.C. sections 46 to 48c or a sheltered workshop holding a certificate of approval from the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education pursuant to section 178.920, RSMo.

- a. In order to qualify for the ten bonus points, the following conditions must be met and the following evidence must be provided:
  - 1) The bidder must either be an organization for the blind or sheltered workshop or must be proposing to utilize an organization for the blind/sheltered workshop as a subcontractor and/or supplier in an amount that must equal the greater of \$5,000 or 2% of the total dollar value of the contract for purchases not exceeding \$10 million.
  - 2) The services performed or the products provided by the organization for the blind or sheltered workshop must provide a commercially useful function related to the delivery of the contractually required service/product in a manner that will constitute an added value to the contract and shall be performed/provided exclusive to the performance of the contract. Therefore, if the services performed or the products provided by the organization for the blind or sheltered workshop is utilized, to any extent, in the bidder's obligations outside of the contract, it shall not be considered a valid added value to the contract and shall not qualify as participation in accordance with this clause.
  - 3) If the bidder is proposing participation by an organization for the blind or sheltered workshop, in order to receive evaluation consideration for participation by the organization for the blind or sheltered workshop, the bidder must provide the following information with the bid:
    - ✓ Participation Commitment - The bidder must complete **EXHIBIT D, Participation Commitment**, by identifying the organization for the blind or sheltered workshop and the commercially useful products/services to be provided by the listed organization for the blind or sheltered workshop. If the bidder submitting the bid is an organization for the blind or sheltered workshop, the bidder must be listed in the appropriate table on the Participation Commitment Form.
    - ✓ Documentation of Intent to Participate – The bidder must either provide a properly completed **EXHIBIT E, Documentation of Intent to Participate Form**, signed and dated no earlier than the IFB issuance date by the organization for the blind or sheltered workshop proposed or must provide a recently dated letter of intent signed and dated no earlier than the IFB issuance date by the organization for the blind or sheltered workshop which: (1) must describe the products/services the organization for the blind/sheltered workshop will provide and (2) should include evidence of the organization for the blind/sheltered workshop qualifications (e.g. copy of certificate or Certificate Number for Missouri Sheltered Workshop).

NOTE: If the bidder submitting the bid is an organization for the blind or sheltered workshop, the bidder is not required to complete **EXHIBIT E, Documentation of Intent to Participate Form** or provide a recently dated letter of intent.

- b. A list of Missouri sheltered workshops can be found at the following internet address:  
<http://www.dese.mo.gov/divspeced/shelteredworkshops/index.html>.
- c. The websites for the Missouri Lighthouse for the Blind and the Alhphapointe Association for the Blind can be found at the following Internet addresses:  
<http://www.lhbindustries.com>  
<http://www.alphapointe.org>
- d. Commitment – If the bidder’s bid is awarded, the organization for the blind or sheltered workshop participation committed to by the bidder on **EXHIBIT D, Participation Commitment**, shall be interpreted as a contractual requirement.

#### **4.6 EXHIBIT F, Missouri Service Disabled Business Preference:**

- 4.6.1 Pursuant to section 34.074 RSMo, and 1 CSR 40-1.050a, a three (3) bonus point preference shall be granted to bidders who qualify as Missouri service-disabled veteran businesses and who complete and submit **EXHIBIT F, Missouri Service-Disabled Veteran Business Preference** with the bid. If the bid does not include the completed **EXHIBIT F** and the documentation specified on **EXHIBIT F** in accordance with the instructions provided therein, no preference points will be applied.

#### **4.7 Evaluation and Award Process:**

- 4.7.1 Determination of Award - The contract will be awarded to the highest responsive, and responsible and reliable bidder determined as specified herein.
- 4.7.2 Determination of Responsiveness - Any bid which does not comply with the mandatory requirements of the IFB will be determined to be non-responsive and will not be considered for an award
- 4.7.3 Determination of Responsibility and Reliability – The Department shall determine the responsibility and reliability of the highest responsive bidder.
  - a. The Department reserves the right to reject any bid for reasons which may include but not necessarily be limited to:
    - 1) Receipt of any information, from any source, regarding unsatisfactory experience and/or performance of similar services by the bidder or any subcontractor(s) proposed to provide the pest control services within the past three (3) years, and/or
    - 2) Inability of the bidder to document performance of pest control services within the past three (3) years which are similar to the services required herein, for a period of not less than twelve (12) consecutive months, and/or
    - 3) The bidder’s failure to document familiarity with the building. In addition, the Department reserves the right to reject a bid from evaluation if the bidder has not had concurrent experience providing pest control services for the number of buildings proposed and/or for the total of the square footage of the buildings proposed.
  - b. If the highest responsive bidder is determined to not be responsible and reliable, the Department shall conduct a determination of responsibility and reliability for the next highest responsive bidder.

**4.8 Evaluation of Cost:**

- 4.8.1 Price shall be considered firm for the duration of the contract period indicated on the Notice of Award of a contract.
- 4.8.2 The bidder shall submit a **firm fixed price** on **EXHIBIT A, Pricing Page** for the line item. All pricing shall be quoted FOB Destination, Prepaid and Allowed.
- 4.8.3 Quantity - Upon award, the quantity ordered shall be as stated on **EXHIBIT A, Pricing Page**.
- 4.8.4 The bidder should complete the "Terms" and the "Bidder's Acceptance of the State Purchasing Card" sections on **EXHIBIT A, Pricing Page**.
- 4.8.5 The cost evaluation shall be based on the total cost determined using the firm fixed price and the quantity indicated on **EXHIBIT A, Pricing Page**. The total cost shall be calculated by multiplying the quoted price by the quantity indicated for the line item.

- a. Cost evaluation points shall be determined from the result of the calculation stated above using the following formula:

Bi-Monthly pest control services: firm, fixed price x 24 = Annual cost

Monthly pest control services: firm, fixed price x 12 = Annual cost

Quarterly pest control services: firm, fixed price x 4 = Annual cost

Semi-Annual pest control services: firm, fixed price x 2 = Annual cost

$$\frac{\text{Lowest Responsive Bidder's Price}}{\text{Compared Bidder's Price}} \times \text{Maximum Cost Evaluation Points (100)} = \text{Assigned Cost Points}$$

- b. NOTE: The prompt payment discount terms on contracts will not be used in any cost calculation.

**4.9 Determination for Award:**

- 4.9.1 Award shall be made to the lowest priced responsive bidder. Another factor that affects the determination of the lowest priced responsive bidder includes consideration of the Missouri Service-Disabled Veteran Business Preference explained in the paragraph that follows.
- 4.9.2 Determination of Lowest Priced Bidder including Consideration of Preferences - After completing the cost evaluation and determining preference bonus points, the bidder with the most points is considered the lowest bidder. Total points shall be computed for the total evaluated bid price as follows:

$$\text{Total Assigned Cost Points} + \text{earned preference points} = \text{Total Points}$$

- 4.9.3 The Department reserves the right to reject any bid which is determined unacceptable for reasons which may include but are not necessarily limited to: 1) failure of the bidder to meet mandatory general performance specifications; and/or 2) failure of the bidder to meet mandatory technical specifications; and/or; 3) receipt of any information, from any source, regarding delivery of unsatisfactory product or service by the bidder within the past three years. As deemed in its best interests, the Department reserves the right to clarify any and all portions of any bidder's offer.
- 4.9.4 Business Compliance - The bidder must be in compliance with the laws regarding conducting business in the State of Missouri. The bidder certifies by signing the signature page of this original document and any amendment signature page(s) that the bidder and any proposed subcontractors either are presently in compliance

with such laws or shall be in compliance with such laws prior to any resulting contract award. The bidder shall provide documentation of compliance upon request by the Department. The compliance to conduct business in the state shall include but may not be limited to:

- Registration of business name (if applicable)
- Certificate of authority to transact business/certificate of good standing (if applicable)
- Taxes (e.g., city/county/state/federal)
- State and local certifications (e.g., professions/occupations/activities)
- Licenses and permits (e.g., city/county license, sales permits)
- Insurance (e.g., worker's compensation/unemployment compensation)

**EXHIBIT A, Pricing Page**

**Pest Control Services** - The bidder shall provide a firm, fixed price below for the original contract period and a maximum price for each renewal period for providing services in accordance with the provisions and requirements specified herein. All costs associated with providing Pest Control Services shall be included in the stated prices.

Line Item	Description	Original Contract Period Firm, Fixed Price	First Renewal Period Maximum Price	Second Renewal Period Maximum Price
001	Bi-Monthly Pest Control Services (Areas specified in 2.3.5. a)	\$ _____ Per treatment	\$ _____ Per treatment	\$ _____ Per treatment
002	Monthly Pest Control Services (Areas specified in 2.3.5. b)	\$ _____ Per treatment	\$ _____ Per treatment	\$ _____ Per treatment
003	Quarterly Pest Control Services (Areas specified in 2.3.5. c)	\$ _____ Per treatment	\$ _____ Per treatment	\$ _____ Per treatment
004	Semi-Annual Pest Control Services (Areas specified in 2.3.5. d)	\$ _____ Per treatment	\$ _____ Per treatment	\$ _____ Per treatment

**Terms:**

The bidder should state below its discount terms offered for the prompt payment of invoices.

\_\_\_\_\_ % if paid within \_\_\_\_\_ days of receipt of invoice.

**Website:**

The bidder should state website address if online invoicing is available: \_\_\_\_\_

**Bidder's Acceptance of the State Purchasing Card (Visa):**

The bidder should indicate agreement/disagreement to allow the Department to make purchases using the state purchasing card (Visa). If the bidder agrees, the bidder shall be responsible for all service fees, merchant fees and/or handling fees. Furthermore, the bidder shall agree to provide the items/services at the prices stated herein.

Agreement \_\_\_\_\_ Disagreement \_\_\_\_\_

By signing, the bidder hereby declares understanding, agreement, and certification of compliance to provide the items at the prices quoted, in accordance with all requirements and specifications contained herein and the Terms and Conditions. The bidder further agrees that the language of this IFB shall govern in the event of a conflict with his/her bid.

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Authorized Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**EXHIBIT B**  
**Miscellaneous Information**

**Employee Bidding/Conflict of Interest**

Bidders who are employees of the State of Missouri, a member of the General Assembly or a statewide elected official must comply with Sections 105.450 to 105.458 RSMo regarding conflict of interest. If the bidder and/or any of the owners of the bidder’s organization are currently an employee of the State of Missouri, a member of the General Assembly or a statewide elected official, please provide the following information.

Name of State Employee, General Assembly Member, or Statewide Elected Official:		
	In what office/agency are they employed?	
	Employment Title:	
Percentage of ownership interest in bidder’s organization:		_____ %

**Missouri Department of Agriculture Certified Applicator license** – State license number and expiration date:

License Number \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Personnel** – Provide a list of employees who will be providing pest control services. *(Use additional sheets if necessary)*

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_

**Familiarity of Building**

The bidder must document a thorough knowledge of the service areas based on either (1) the bidder’s attendance of a site tour, or (2) through other knowledge of the service areas gained from some other means.

\_\_\_\_\_ **I attended a site inspection of the service areas.** (The attendance record shall verify the bidder’s attendance.) Date attended site visit: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **I did not attend a site inspection of the service areas.** (The bidder must provide relevant information regarding their familiarity with the physical layout, condition, etc. of the service areas. The bidder is advised that neither the review of building floor plans nor an independent public viewing give an accurate account of knowledge of the service area for pest control purposes.)

**Explanation:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_



**EXHIBIT D**  
**Participation Commitment**

**Organization for the Blind/Sheltered Workshop Participation Commitment** – If the bidder is committing to participation by or if the bidder is a qualified organization for the blind/sheltered workshop, the bidder must provide the required information in the table below for the organization proposed and must submit the completed exhibit with the bidder’s bid.

<b>Organization for the Blind/Sheltered Workshop Commitment Table</b> By completing this table, the bidder commits to the use of the organization at the greater of \$5,000 or 2% of the actual total dollar value of contract. (The services performed or the products provided by the listed Organization for the Blind/Sheltered Workshop must provide a commercially useful function related to the delivery of the contractually-required service/product in a manner that will constitute an added value to the contract and shall be performed/provided exclusive to the performance of the contract.)	
<b>Name of Organization for the Blind or Sheltered Workshop Proposed</b>	<b>Description of Products/Services to be Provided by Listed Organization for the Blind/Sheltered Workshop</b> <i>The bidder should also include the paragraph number(s) from the IFB which requires the service the organization for the blind/sheltered workshop is proposed to perform.</i>
<b>Line Item 001</b>	
1.	Product/Service(s) proposed:
	IFB Paragraph References:
2.	Product/Service(s) proposed:
	IFB Paragraph References:

**EXHIBIT E**  
**Documentation of Intent to Participate**

If the bidder is proposing to include the participation of an Organization for the Blind/Sheltered Workshop in the provision of the products/services required in the IFB, the bidder must either provide a recently dated letter of intent, signed and dated no earlier than the IFB issuance date, from each organization documenting the following information, or complete and provide this Exhibit with the bidder's bid.

~ Copy This Form For Each Organization Proposed ~

Bidder Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**This Section To Be Completed by Participating Organization:**

*By completing and signing this form, the undersigned hereby confirms the intent of the named participating organization to provide the products/services identified herein for the bidder identified above.*

Indicate appropriate business classification(s):

\_\_\_\_\_ Organization \_\_\_\_\_ Sheltered  
\_\_\_\_\_ for the Blind \_\_\_\_\_ Workshop

Name of Organization: \_\_\_\_\_  
( Name of Organization for the Blind or Sheltered Workshop)

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax #: \_\_\_\_\_  
State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Certification # \_\_\_\_\_  
(or attach copy of certification)

Certification Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**PRODUCTS/SERVICES PARTICIPATING ORGANIZATION AGREED TO PROVIDE**

Describe the products/services you (as the participating organization) have agreed to provide:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Authorized Signature:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Authorized Signature of Participating Organization*  
*(Organization for the Blind or Sheltered Workshop)*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Date*  
*(Dated no earlier than the*  
*IFB issuance date)*

**EXHIBIT F**  
**Missouri Service-Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise Preference**

Pursuant to section 34.074, RSMo, and 1 CSR 40-1.050, the Missouri Department of Corrections has a goal of awarding three (3) percent of all contracts for the performance of any job or service to qualified service-disabled veteran business enterprises (SDVEs).

**STANDARDS:**

The following standards shall be used by the Missouri Department of Corrections in determining whether an individual, business, or organization qualifies as an SDVE:

- Doing business as a Missouri firm, corporation, or individual or maintaining a Missouri office or place of business, not including an office of a registered agent;
- Having not less than fifty-one percent (51%) of the business owned by one (1) or more service-disabled veterans (SDVs) or, in the case of any publicly-owned business, not less than fifty-one percent (51%) of the stock of which is owned by one (1) or more SDVs. (An SDV is defined as any individual who is disabled as certified by the appropriate federal agency responsible for the administration of veterans' affairs.);
  - c.
- Having the management and daily business operations controlled by one (1) or more SDVs;
- Having a copy of the SDV's award letter from the Department of Veterans Affairs or a copy of the SDV's discharge paper (DD Form 214, Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty) and a copy of the SDV's documentation certifying disability by the appropriate federal agency responsible for the administration of veterans' affairs; and
- Possessing the power to make day-to-day as well as major decisions on matters of management, policy, and operation.

If a bidder meets the standards of a qualified SDVE as stated above, and unless previously submitted within the past five (5) years to the Missouri Department of Corrections or to the Office of Administration, Division of Purchasing and Materials Management (DPMM), the bidder **must** provide the following SDV documents to receive the Missouri SDVE three (3) bonus point preference.

- A copy of the SDV's award letter from the Department of Veterans Affairs or a copy of the SDV's discharge paper (DD Form 214, Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty),
- A copy of the SDV's documentation certifying disability by the appropriate federal agency responsible for the administration of veterans' affairs, and
- A completed copy of this exhibit.

(NOTE: The SDV's award letter, the SDV's discharge paper, and the SDV's documentation certifying disability shall be considered confidential pursuant to subsection 14 of section 610.021, RSMo.)

**EXHIBIT F** continued on next page.

**EXHIBIT F (continued)**  
**Missouri Service-Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise Preference**

By signing below, I certify that I meet the definitions of a service-disabled veteran and a service-disabled veteran business enterprise as defined in section 34.074, RSMo. I further certify that I meet the standards of a qualifying SDVE as listed herein pursuant to 1 CSR 40-1.050.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Service-Disabled Veteran's Name  
(Please Print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Service-Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Service-Disabled Veteran's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Missouri Address of Service-Disabled Veteran  
Business Enterprise

\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Website Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
E-Mail Address

The SDVE bidder should check the appropriate statement below and, if applicable, provide the requested information.

- No, I have not previously submitted the SDV documents specified herein to the state agency or to the Office of Administration, Division of Purchasing and Materials Management (DPMM) and therefore have enclosed the SDV documents.
- Yes, I previously submitted the SDV documents specified herein within the past five (5) years to the state agency.
- Yes, I previously submitted the SDV documents specified above within the past five (5) years to the Office of Administration, Division of Purchasing and Materials Management (DPMM).

**Date** SDV Documents were Submitted: \_\_\_\_\_

**Previous Bid/Contract Number** for Which the SDV Documents were Submitted: \_\_\_\_\_  
(if known)

(NOTE: If the SDVE and SDV are listed on the DPMM SDVE database located at <http://oa.mo.gov/purchasing/vendor-information/missouri-service-disabled-veteran-business-enterprise-sdve-information>, then the SDV documents have been submitted to the DPMM within the past five [5] years. However, if it has been determined that an SDVE at any time no longer meets the requirements stated above, the DPMM will remove the SDVE and associated SDV from the database.)

<b>FOR STATE USE ONLY</b>	
SDV's Documents - Verification Completed By:	
_____ Procurement Officer	_____ Date

**EXHIBIT G**  
**BUSINESS ENTITY CERTIFICATION, ENROLLMENT DOCUMENTATION,**  
**AND AFFIDAVIT OF WORK AUTHORIZATION**

**BUSINESS ENTITY CERTIFICATION:**

**The bidder must certify their current business status by completing either Box A or Box B or Box C on this Exhibit.**

- BOX A:** To be completed by a non-business entity as defined below.
- BOX B:** To be completed by a business entity who has not yet completed and submitted documentation pertaining to the federal work authorization program as described at [http://www.dhs.gov/files/programs/gc\\_1185221678150.shtm](http://www.dhs.gov/files/programs/gc_1185221678150.shtm).
- BOX C:** To be completed by a business entity who has current work authorization documentation on file with a Missouri state agency including Division of Purchasing and Materials Management.

**Business entity**, as defined in section 285.525, RSMo, pertaining to section 285.530, RSMo, is any person or group of persons performing or engaging in any activity, enterprise, profession, or occupation for gain, benefit, advantage, or livelihood. The term “**business entity**” shall include but not be limited to self-employed individuals, partnerships, corporations, contractors, and subcontractors. The term “**business entity**” shall include any business entity that possesses a business permit, license, or tax certificate issued by the state, any business entity that is exempt by law from obtaining such a business permit, and any business entity that is operating unlawfully without such a business permit. The term “**business entity**” shall not include a self-employed individual with no employees or entities utilizing the services of direct sellers as defined in subdivision (17) of subsection 12 of section 288.034, RSMo.

Note: Regarding governmental entities, business entity includes Missouri schools, Missouri universities (other than stated in Box C), out of state agencies, out of state schools, out of state universities, and political subdivisions. A business entity does not include Missouri state agencies and federal government entities.

**BOX A – CURRENTLY NOT A BUSINESS ENTITY**

I certify that \_\_\_\_\_ (Company/Individual Name) **DOES NOT CURRENTLY MEET** the definition of a business entity, as defined in section 285.525, RSMo pertaining to section 285.530, RSMo as stated above, because: (check the applicable business status that applies below)

- I am a self-employed individual with no employees; **OR**
- The company that I represent employs the services of direct sellers as defined in subdivision (17) of subsection 12 of section 288.034, RSMo.

I certify that I am not an alien unlawfully present in the United States and if \_\_\_\_\_ (Company/Individual Name) is awarded a contract for the services requested herein under \_\_\_\_\_ (IFB Number) and if the business status changes during the life of the contract to become a business entity as defined in section 285.525, RSMo pertaining to section 285.530, RSMo then, prior to the performance of any services as a business entity, \_\_\_\_\_ (Company/Individual Name) agrees to complete Box B, comply with the requirements stated in Box B and provide the State of Missouri with all documentation required in Box B of this exhibit.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Authorized Representative’s Name (Please Print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Authorized Representative’s Signature*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Company Name (if applicable)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

EXHIBIT G, (CONTINUED)

(Complete the following if you DO NOT have the E-Verify documentation and a current Affidavit of Work Authorization already on file with the State of Missouri. If completing Box B, do not complete Box C.)

**BOX B – CURRENT BUSINESS ENTITY STATUS**

I certify that \_\_\_\_\_ (Business Entity Name) **MEETS** the definition of a business entity as defined in section 285.525, RSMo pertaining to section 285.530.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Authorized Business Entity Representative's  
Name (Please Print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Authorized Business Entity  
Representative's Signature*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Business Entity Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
E-Mail Address

As a business entity, the bidder must perform/provide each of the following. The bidder should check each to verify completion/submission of all of the following:

Enroll and participate in the E-Verify federal work authorization program (Website: [http://www.dhs.gov/files/programs/gc\\_1185221678150.shtm](http://www.dhs.gov/files/programs/gc_1185221678150.shtm); Phone: 888-464-4218; Email: [e-verify@dhs.gov](mailto:e-verify@dhs.gov)) with respect to the employees hired after enrollment in the program who are proposed to work in connection with the services required herein;

AND

Provide documentation affirming said company's/individual's enrollment and participation in the E-Verify federal work authorization program. Documentation shall include EITHER the E-Verify Employment Eligibility Verification page listing the bidder's name and company ID OR a page from the E-Verify Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) listing the bidder's name and the MOU signature page completed and signed, at minimum, by the bidder and the Department of Homeland Security – Verification Division. If the signature page of the MOU lists the bidder's name and company ID, then no additional pages of the MOU must be submitted;

AND

Submit a completed, notarized Affidavit of Work Authorization provided on the next page of this Exhibit.

**EXHIBIT G, (CONTINUED)**

**AFFIDAVIT OF WORK AUTHORIZATION:**

The bidder who meets the section 285.525, RSMo, definition of a business entity must complete and return the following Affidavit of Work Authorization.

Comes now \_\_\_\_\_ (Name of Business Entity Authorized Representative) as \_\_\_\_\_ (Position/Title) first being duly sworn on my oath, affirm \_\_\_\_\_ (Business Entity Name) is enrolled and will continue to participate in the E-Verify federal work authorization program with respect to employees hired after enrollment in the program who are proposed to work in connection with the services related to contract(s) with the State of Missouri for the duration of the contract(s), if awarded in accordance with subsection 2 of section 285.530, RSMo. I also affirm that \_\_\_\_\_ (Business Entity Name) does not and will not knowingly employ a person who is an unauthorized alien in connection with the contracted services provided under the contract(s) for the duration of the contract(s), if awarded.

*In Affirmation thereof, the facts stated above are true and correct. (The undersigned understands that false statements made in this filing are subject to the penalties provided under section 575.040, RSMo.)*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Authorized Representative's Signature*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
E-Mail Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
E-Verify Company ID Number

Subscribed and sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_. I am  
(DAY) (MONTH, YEAR)  
commissioned as a notary public within the County of \_\_\_\_\_, State of  
(NAME OF COUNTY)  
\_\_\_\_\_, and my commission expires on \_\_\_\_\_.  
(NAME OF STATE) (DATE)

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Signature of Notary*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Date*

**EXHIBIT H**  
**Missouri Secretary of State/Authorization to Transact Business**

<p>In accordance with section 351.572.1, RSMo, the Department is precluded from contracting with a vendor or its affiliate who is not authorized to transact business in the State of Missouri. Bidders must either be registered with the Missouri Secretary of State, or exempt per a specific exemption stated in section 351.572.1, RSMo.  <a href="http://www.moga.mo.gov/mostatutes/stathtml/35100005721.html">http://www.moga.mo.gov/mostatutes/stathtml/35100005721.html</a></p>	
<p>If the bidder is registered with the Missouri Secretary of State, the bidder shall state legal name or charter number assigned to business entity</p>	<p>Legal Name: _____                  Missouri State Charter # _____</p>
<p>If the bidder is not required to be registered with the Missouri Secretary of State, the bidder shall state the specific exemption stated per section 351.572.1, RSMo.</p>	<p>State specific exemption _____                  (List section and paragraph number)                   Stated in section 351.572.1 RSMo,                   _____                  (State Legal Business Name)</p>

**STATE OF MISSOURI  
MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS**

**TERMS AND CONDITIONS -- INVITATION FOR BID**

**1. TERMINOLOGY/DEFINITIONS**

Whenever the following words and expressions appear in an Invitation for Bid (IFB) document or any amendment thereto, the definition or meaning described below shall apply.

- a. **1 CSR 40-1 (Code of State Regulations)** refers to the rule that provides the public with a description of the Division of Purchasing and Materials Management within the Office of Administration. This rule fulfills the statutory requirement of section 536.023(3), RSMo.
- b. **Agency and/or Department** means the Missouri Department of Corrections.
- c. **Amendment** means a written, official modification to an IFB or to a contract.
- d. **Attachment** applies to all forms which are included with an IFB to incorporate any informational data or requirements related to the performance requirements and/or specifications.
- e. **Bid Opening Date and Time** and similar expressions mean the exact deadline required by the IFB for the receipt of sealed bids.
- f. **Bidder** means the person or organization that responds to an IFB by submitting a bid with prices to provide the equipment, supplies, and/or services as required in the IFB document.
- g. **Buyer or Buyer of Record** means the procurement staff member of the Department. The **Contact Person** as referenced herein is usually the Buyer of Record.
- h. **Contract** means a legal and binding agreement between two or more competent parties for consideration for the procurement of equipment, supplies, and/or services.
- i. **Contractor** means a person or organization who is a successful bidder as a result of an IFB and who enters into a contract.
- j. **Exhibit** applies to forms which are included with an IFB for the bidder to complete and submit with the sealed bid prior to the specified opening date and time.
- k. **Invitation for Bid (IFB)** means the solicitation document issued by the Department to potential bidders for the purchase of equipment, supplies, and/or services as described in the document. The definition includes these Terms and Conditions as well as all Exhibits, Attachments, and Amendments.
- l. **May** means that a certain feature, component, or action is permissible, but not required.
- m. **Must** means that a certain feature, component, or action is a mandatory condition. Failure to provide or comply will result in a bid being considered non-responsive.
- n. **Pricing Page(s)** applies to the Exhibit on which the bidder must state the price(s) applicable for the equipment, supplies, and/or services required in the IFB. The pricing pages must be completed and submitted by the bidder with the sealed bid prior to the specified bid opening date and time.
- o. **RSMo (Revised Statutes of Missouri)** refers to the body of laws enacted by the Legislature which govern the operations of all agencies of the State of Missouri. Chapter 34 of the statutes is the primary chapter governing the procurement operations of the Department.
- p. **Shall** has the same meaning as the word **must**.
- q. **Should** means that a certain feature, component, and/or action is desirable but not mandatory.

**2. APPLICABLE LAWS AND REGULATIONS**

- a. The contract shall be construed according to the laws of the State of Missouri. The contractor shall comply with all local, state, and federal laws and regulations related to the performance of the contract to the extent that the same may be applicable.
- b. To the extent that a provision of the contract is contrary to the Constitution or laws of the State of Missouri or of the United States, the provisions shall be void and unenforceable. However, the balance of the contract shall remain in force between the parties unless terminated by consent of both the contractor and the Department.
- c. The contractor must be registered and maintain good standing with the Secretary of State of the State of Missouri and other regulatory agencies, as may be required by law or regulations.

- d. The contractor must timely file and pay all Missouri sales, withholding, corporate and any other required Missouri tax returns and taxes, including interest and additions to tax.
- e. The exclusive venue for any legal proceeding relating to or arising out of the IFB or resulting contract shall be in the Circuit Court of Cole County, Missouri.
- f. The contractor shall only utilize personnel authorized to work in the United States in accordance with applicable federal and state laws and Executive Order 07-13 for work performed in the United States.

### **3. CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION**

- a. All contractual administration will be carried out by the Buyer of Record or authorized Department Purchasing Section designee. Communications pertaining to contract administration matters will be addressed to: Department of Corrections, Purchasing Section, PO Box 236, Jefferson City, MO 65102.
- b. The Buyer of Record/authorized designee is the only person authorized to approve changes to any of the requirements of the contract.

### **4. OPEN COMPETITION/INVITATION FOR BID DOCUMENT**

- a. It shall be the bidder's responsibility to ask questions, request changes or clarification, or otherwise advise the Department if any language, specifications or requirements of an IFB appear to be ambiguous, contradictory, and/or arbitrary, or appear to inadvertently restrict or limit the requirements or evaluation process stated in the IFB to a single source. Any and all communication from bidders regarding specifications, requirements, competitive bid process, etc., must be directed to the Buyer of Record of the Department, unless the IFB specifically refers the bidder to another contact. Such communication should be received at least ten (10) calendar days prior to the official bid opening date.
- b. Every attempt shall be made to ensure that the bidder receives an adequate and prompt response. However, in order to maintain a fair and equitable bid process, all bidders will be advised, via the issuance of an amendment to the IFB, of any relevant or pertinent information related to the procurement. Therefore, bidders are advised that unless specified elsewhere in the IFB, any questions received less than ten (10) calendar days prior to the IFB opening date may not be answered.
- c. Bidders are cautioned that the only official position of the State of Missouri is that which is issued by the Department in the IFB or an amendment thereto. No other means of communication, whether oral or written, shall be construed as a formal or official response or statement.
- d. The Department monitors all procurement activities to detect any possibility of deliberate restraint of competition, collusion among bidders, price-fixing by bidders, or any other anticompetitive conduct by bidders which appears to violate state and federal antitrust laws. Any suspected violation shall be referred to the Missouri Attorney General's Office for appropriate action.
- e. Some IFBs are available for viewing and downloading on the Department's website.
- f. The Department reserves the right to officially amend or cancel an IFB after issuance.

### **5. PREPARATION OF BIDS**

- a. Bidders **must** examine the entire IFB carefully. Failure to do so shall be at the bidder's risk.
- b. Unless otherwise specifically stated in the IFB, all specifications and requirements constitute minimum requirements. All bids must meet or exceed the stated specifications and requirements.
- c. Unless otherwise specifically stated in the IFB, any manufacturer names, trade names, brand names, information and/or catalog numbers listed in a specification and/or requirement are for informational purposes only and are not intended to limit competition. The bidder may offer any brand which meets or exceeds the specification for any item, but must state the manufacturer's name and model number for any such brands in the bid. In addition, the bidder shall explain, in detail, (1) the reasons why the proposed equivalent meets or exceeds the specifications and/or requirements and (2) why the proposed equivalent should not be considered an exception thereto. Bids which do not comply with the requirements and specifications are subject to rejection without clarification.
- d. Bids lacking any indication of intent to bid an alternate brand or to take an exception shall be received and considered in complete compliance with the specifications and requirements as listed in the IFB.

- e. In the event that the bidder is an agency of state government or other such political subdivision which is prohibited by law or court decision from complying with certain provisions of an IFB, such a bidder may submit a bid which contains a list of statutory limitations and identification of those prohibitive clauses. The bidder should include a complete list of statutory references and citations for each provision of the IFB which is affected by this paragraph. The statutory limitations and prohibitive clauses may be requested to be clarified in writing by the Department or be accepted without further clarification if statutory limitations and prohibitive clauses are deemed acceptable by the Department. If the Department determines clarification of the statutory limitations and prohibitive clauses is necessary, the clarification will be conducted in order to agree to language that reflects the intent and compliance of such law and/or court order and the IFB.
- f. All equipment and supplies offered in a bid must be new, of current production, and available for marketing by the manufacturer unless the IFB clearly specifies that used, reconditioned, or remanufactured equipment and supplies may be offered.
- g. Prices shall include all packing, handling and shipping charges, and shall be delivered to the Department's designated destination FOB destination, freight prepaid and allowed unless otherwise specified in the IFB.
- h. Bids, including all pricing therein, shall remain valid for 90 days from the bid opening unless otherwise indicated. If the bid is accepted, the entire bid, including all prices, shall be firm for the specified contract period.
- i. Any foreign bidder not having an Employer Identification Number assigned by the United States Internal Revenue Service (IRS) must submit a completed IRS Form W-8 prior to or with the submission of their bid in order to be considered for award.

## 6. SUBMISSION OF BIDS

- a. Delivered bids must be sealed in an envelope or container, and received in the Department's Purchasing office located at the address indicated on the cover page of the IFB no later than the exact opening time and date specified in the IFB. All bids must be submitted by a duly authorized representative of the bidder's organization, contain all information required by the IFB, and be priced as required. Bidders are cautioned that bids submitted via the USPS, including first class mail, certified mail, Priority Mail and Priority Mail Express, are routed through the Office of Administration Central Mail Services and the tracking delivery time and date may not be the time and date received by the Department's Purchasing office. Regardless of delivery method, it shall be the responsibility of the bidder to ensure their bid is in the Department's Purchasing office no later than the exact opening time and date specified in the IFB.
- b. The sealed envelope or container containing a bid should be clearly marked on the outside with the official IFB number *and* the official opening date and time. Different bids should not be placed in the same envelope; however, copies of the same bid may be placed in the same envelope.
- c. A bid which has been delivered to the Department may be modified by a signed, written notice which has been received by the Department's Purchasing office prior to the official opening date and time specified. A bid may also be modified in person by the bidder or its authorized representative, provided proper identification is presented before the official opening date and time. Telephone or telegraphic requests to modify a bid shall not be honored.
- d. A bid which has been delivered to the Department's Purchasing office may only be withdrawn by a signed, written document on company letterhead transmitted via mail, e-mail, or facsimile which has been received by the Department's Purchasing office prior to the official opening date and time specified. A bid may also be withdrawn in person by the bidder or its authorized representative provided proper identification is presented before the official opening date and time. Telephone or telegraphic requests to withdraw a bid shall not be honored.
- e. A bid may also be withdrawn after the bid opening through submission of a written request by an authorized representative of the bidder. Justification of a withdrawal decision may include a significant error or exposure of bid information that may cause irreparable harm to the bidder.
- f. Bidders must sign and return the IFB cover page or, if applicable, the cover page of the last amendment thereto in order to constitute acceptance by the bidder of all the IFB terms and conditions. Failure to do so may result in the rejection of the bid unless the bidder's full compliance with those documents is indicated elsewhere within the bidder's response.
- g. Faxed and e-mailed bids shall not be accepted; however, faxed and e-mail no-bid notifications shall be accepted.

## **7. BID OPENING**

- a. Bid openings are public on the opening date and time specified in the IFB document. Names, locations, and prices of respondents shall be read at the bid opening. The Department will not provide prices or other bid information via the telephone.
- b. Bids which are not received in the Department's Purchasing office prior to the official opening date and time shall be considered late, regardless of the degree of lateness, and normally will not be opened. Late bids may only be opened under extraordinary circumstances in accordance with 1 CSR 40-1.050.

## **8. PREFERENCES**

- a. In the evaluation of bids, preferences shall be applied in accordance with Chapter 34 RSMo. Contractors should apply the same preferences in selecting subcontractors.
- b. By virtue of statutory authority, a preference will be given to materials, products, supplies, provisions and all other articles produced, manufactured, made or grown within the State of Missouri and to all firms, corporations or individuals doing business as Missouri firms, corporations or individuals. Such preference shall be given when quality is equal or better and delivered price is the same or less.

## **9. EVALUATION/AWARD**

- a. Any clerical error, apparent on its face, may be corrected by the Buyer of Record before contract award. Upon discovering an apparent clerical error, the Buyer of Record shall contact the bidder and request clarification of the intended bid. The correction shall be incorporated in the notice of award. Examples of apparent clerical errors are: 1) misplacement of a decimal point; and 2) obvious mistake in designation of unit.
- b. Any pricing information submitted by a bidder shall be subject to evaluation if deemed by the Department to be in the best interest of the State of Missouri.
- c. The bidder is encouraged to propose price discounts for prompt payment or propose other price discounts that would benefit the Department. However, unless otherwise specified in the IFB, pricing shall be evaluated at the maximum potential financial liability to the Department.
- d. Awards shall be made to the bidder(s) whose bid (1) complies with all mandatory specifications and requirements of the IFB and (2) is the lowest and best bid, considering price, responsibility of the bidder, and all other evaluation criteria specified in the IFB and (3) complies with sections 34.010 and 34.070 RSMo and Executive Order 04-09.
- e. In the event all bidders fail to meet the same mandatory requirement in an IFB, the Department reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to waive that requirement for all bidders and to proceed with the evaluation. In addition, the Department reserves the right to waive any minor irregularity or technicality found in any individual bid.
- f. The Department reserves the right to reject any and all bids.
- g. When evaluating a bid, the Department reserves the right to consider relevant information and fact, whether gained from a bid, from a bidder, from a bidder's references, or from any other source.
- h. Any information submitted with the bid, regardless of the format or placement of such information, may be considered in making decisions related to the responsiveness and merit of a bid and the award of a contract.
- i. Any award of a contract shall be made by notification from the Department to the successful bidder. The Department reserves the right to make awards by item, group of items, or an all or none basis. The grouping of items awarded shall be determined by the Department based upon factors such as item similarity, location, administrative efficiency, or other considerations in the best interest of the State of Missouri.
- j. All bids and associated documentation submitted on or before the official opening date and time will be considered open records pursuant to section 610.021 RSMo.
- k. The Department maintains records of all bid file material for review. Bidders who include an e-mail address with their bid will be notified of the award results via e-mail if requested.
- l. The Department reserves the right to request clarification of any portion of the bidder's response in order to verify the intent of the bidder. The bidder is cautioned, however, that its response may be subject to acceptance or rejection without further clarification.
- m. Any bid award protest must be received within ten (10) business days after the date of award in accordance with the requirements of 1 CSR 40-1.050 (9).

- n. The final determination of contract award(s) shall be made by the Department.

## **10. CONTRACT/PURCHASE ORDER**

- a. By submitting a bid, the bidder agrees to furnish any and all equipment, supplies and/or services specified in the IFB, at the prices quoted, pursuant to all requirements and specifications contained therein.
- b. A binding contract shall consist of: (1) the IFB and any amendments thereto, (2) the contractor's response (bid) to the IFB, (3) clarification of the bid, if any, and (4) the Department's acceptance of the response (bid) by "notice of award" or by "purchase order." All Exhibits and Attachments included in the IFB shall be incorporated into the contract by reference.
- c. A notice of award issued by the Department does not constitute an authorization for shipment of equipment or supplies or a directive to proceed with services. Before providing equipment, supplies and/or services for the Department, the contractor must receive a properly authorized purchase order or other form of authorization given to the contractor at the discretion of the Department.
- d. The contract expresses the complete agreement of the parties and performance shall be governed solely by the specifications and requirements contained therein. Any change to the contract, whether by modification and/or supplementation, must be accomplished by a formal contract amendment signed and approved by and between the duly authorized representative of the contractor and the Department prior to the effective date of such modification. The contractor expressly and explicitly understands and agrees that no other method and/or no other document, including correspondence, acts, and oral communications by or from any person, shall be used or construed as an amendment or modification to the contract.

## **11. INVOICING AND PAYMENT**

- a. The State of Missouri does not pay state or federal taxes unless otherwise required under law or regulation.
- b. For each purchase order received, an invoice must be submitted that references the purchase order number and must be itemized in accordance with items listed on the purchase order. Failure to comply with this requirement may delay processing of invoices for payment.
- c. Payment for all equipment, supplies, and/or services required herein shall be made in arrears unless otherwise indicated in the IFB.
- d. The Department assumes no obligation for equipment, supplies, and/or services shipped or provided in excess of the quantity ordered. Any unauthorized quantity is subject to the Department's rejection and shall be returned to the contractor at the contractor's expense.
- e. All invoices for equipment, supplies, and/or services purchased by the Department shall be subject to late payment charges as provided in section 34.055 RSMo.
- f. The Department reserves the right to purchase goods and services using the state purchasing card.

## **12. DELIVERY**

- a. Time is of the essence. Deliveries of equipment, supplies, and/or services must be made no later than the time stated in the contract or within a reasonable period of time if a specific time is not stated.
- b. A Missouri Uniformed Law Enforcement System (MULES) background check may be required on the contractor's delivery driver prior to allowing a delivery vehicle entrance to certain institutions. A valid Missouri driver's license is required from the driver to perform the MULES background check. If the driver does not have a valid Missouri driver's license, their social security number and date of birth are required. If a driver or carrier refuses to provide the appropriate information to conduct a MULES background check, or if information received from the background check prohibits the driver or carrier from entering the institution, the delivery will be refused. Additional delivery costs associated with re-deliveries or contracting with another carrier for delivery shall be the responsibility of the contractor.
- c. Unless a pallet exchange is requested at the time of delivery, all pallets used in the delivery of equipment and supplies shall become property of the Department.

**13. INSPECTION AND ACCEPTANCE**

- a. No equipment, supplies, and/or services received by the Department pursuant to a contract shall be deemed accepted until the Department has had reasonable opportunity to inspect said equipment, supplies, and/or services.
- b. All equipment, supplies, and/or services which do not comply with the specifications and/or requirements, or which are otherwise unacceptable or defective, may be rejected. In addition, all equipment, supplies, and/or services which are discovered to be defective, or which do not conform to any warranty of the contractor upon inspection (or at any later time if the defects contained were not reasonably ascertainable upon the initial inspection), may be rejected.
- c. The Department reserves the right to return any such rejected shipment at the contractor's expense for full credit or replacement and to specify a reasonable date by which replacements must be received.
- d. The Department's right to reject any unacceptable equipment, supplies, and/or services shall not exclude any other legal, equitable or contractual remedies the state may have.

**14. WARRANTY**

- a. The contractor expressly warrants that all equipment, supplies, and/or services provided shall: (1) conform to each and every specification, drawing, sample or other description which was furnished to or adopted by the Department, (2) be fit and sufficient for the purpose expressed in the IFB, (3) be merchantable, (4) be of good materials and workmanship, and (5) be free from defect.
- b. Such warranty shall survive delivery and shall not be deemed waived either by reason of the Department's acceptance of or payment for said equipment, supplies, and/or services.

**15. CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

- a. Elected or appointed officials or employees of the State of Missouri or any political subdivision thereof, serving in an executive or administrative capacity, must comply with sections 105.452 and 105.454 RSMo regarding conflict of interest.
- b. The contractor hereby covenants that at the time of the submission of the bid the contractor has no other contractual relationships which would create any actual or perceived conflict of interest. The contractor further agrees that during the term of the contract neither the contractor nor any of its employees shall acquire any other contractual relationships which create such a conflict.

**16. CONTRACTOR STATUS**

- a. The contractor represents itself to be an independent contractor offering such services to the general public and shall not represent itself to be an employee of the State of Missouri. Therefore, the contractor shall assume all legal and financial responsibility for taxes, FICA, employee fringe benefits, workers compensation, employee insurance, minimum wage requirements, overtime, etc., and agrees to indemnify, save, and hold the State of Missouri, its officers, agents, and employees, harmless from and against, any and all loss, costs (including attorney fees), and damage of any kind related to such matters.

**17. REMEDIES AND RIGHTS**

- a. No provision in the contract shall be construed, expressly or implied, as a waiver by the Department of any existing or future right and/or remedy available by law in the event of any claim by the Department of the contractor's default or breach of contract.
- b. The contractor agrees and understands that the contract shall constitute an assignment by the contractor to the Department of all rights, title and interest in and to all causes of action that the contractor may have under the antitrust laws of the United States or the Department for which causes of action have accrued or will accrue as the result of or in relation to the particular equipment, supplies, and/or services purchased or procured by the contractor in the fulfillment of the contract with the Department.

**18. SEVERABILITY**

- a. If any provision of this contract or the application thereof is held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this contract which can be given effect without the invalid provisions or application, and to this end the provisions of this contract are declared to be severable.

**19. CANCELLATION OF CONTRACT**

- a. In the event of material breach of the contractual obligations by the contractor, the Department may cancel the contract. At its sole discretion, the Department may give the contractor an opportunity to cure the breach or to explain how the breach will be cured. The actual cure must be completed within no more than ten (10) working days from notification, or at a minimum, the contractor must provide the Department within ten (10) working days from notification a written plan detailing how the contractor intends to cure the breach.
- b. If the contractor fails to cure the breach, or if circumstances demand immediate action, the Department will issue a notice of cancellation terminating the contract immediately. If it is determined the Department improperly cancelled the contract, such cancellation shall serve as notice of termination for convenience in accordance with the contract.
- c. If the Department cancels the contract for breach, the Department reserves the right to obtain the equipment, supplies, and/or services to be provided pursuant to the contract from other sources and upon such terms and in such manner as the Department deems appropriate and charge the contractor for any additional costs incurred thereby.
- d. The contractor understands and agrees that if the funds required to fund the contract are appropriated by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, the contract shall not be binding upon the Department for any contract period in which funds have not been appropriated, and the Department shall not be liable for any costs associated with termination caused by lack of appropriations.
- e. If the Department has reasonable cause to believe that the contractor has knowingly employed individuals who are not eligible to work in the United States in violation of federal law, the Department shall declare a breach and cancel the contract immediately without incurring any penalty.

**20. TERMINATION OF CONTRACT**

- a. The Department reserves the right to terminate the contract at any time for the convenience of the Department, without penalty or recourse, by giving notice to the contractor at least thirty (30) calendar days prior to the effective date of such termination. The contractor shall be entitled to receive just and equitable compensation for services and/or supplies or equipment delivered to and accepted by the Department pursuant to the contract prior to the effective date of termination.

**21. ASSIGNMENT OF CONTRACT**

- a. The contractor shall neither assign nor transfer any of the rights, interests, or obligations of the contract without the prior written consent of the Department.

**22. COMMUNICATIONS AND NOTICES**

- a. Any notice to the contractor shall be deemed sufficient when e-mailed to the contractor at the e-mail address indicated in the contract, or transmitted by facsimile to the facsimile number indicated in the contract, or deposited in the United States mail, postage prepaid, and addressed to the contractor at the address indicated in the contract, or hand-carried and presented to an authorized employee of the contractor.
- b. If the contractor desires to receive written notices at a different e-mail address, facsimile number, or USPS address than what is indicated in the contract, the contractor must submit this request in writing upon notice of award.

**23. FORCE MAJEURE**

- a. The contractor shall not be liable for any excess costs for delayed delivery of goods or services to the Department if the failure to perform the contract arises out of causes beyond the control of, and without the fault or negligence of, the contractor. Such causes may include, however are not restricted to: acts of God,

fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, strikes, and freight embargoes. In all cases, the failure to perform must be beyond the control of, and without the fault or negligence of, either the contractor or any subcontractor(s). The contractor shall take all possible steps to recover from any such occurrences.

#### **24. CONTRACT EXTENSION**

- a. In the event of an extended re-procurement effort and the contract's available renewal options have been exhausted, the Department reserves the right to extend the contract. If exercised, the extension shall be for a period of time as mutually agreed to by the Department and the contractor at the same terms, conditions, provisions, and pricing in order to complete the procurement process and transition to a new contract.

#### **25. INSURANCE**

- a. The State of Missouri cannot save and hold harmless and/or indemnify the contractor or its employees against any liability incurred or arising as a result of any activity of the contractor or the contractor's employees related to the contractor's performance under the contract. Therefore, the contractor must acquire and maintain adequate liability insurance in the form(s) and amount(s) sufficient to protect the State of Missouri, its agencies, its employees, its clients, and the general public against any such loss, damage, and/or expense related to his/her performance under the contract.

#### **26. BANKRUPTCY OR INSOLVENCY**

- a. Upon filing for any bankruptcy or insolvency proceeding by or against the contractor, whether voluntary or involuntary, or upon the appointment of a receiver, trustee, or assignee for the benefit of creditors, the contractor must notify the Department immediately.
- b. Upon learning of any such actions, the Department reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to either cancel the contract or affirm the contract and hold the contractor responsible for damages.

#### **27. INVENTIONS, PATENTS AND COPYRIGHTS**

- a. The contractor shall defend, protect, and hold harmless the Department, its officers, agents, and employees against all suits of law or in equity resulting from patent and copyright infringement concerning the contractor's performance or products produced under the terms of the contract.

#### **28. CONTRACTOR PROPERTY**

- a. Upon expiration, termination or cancellation of a contract, any contractor property left in the possession of the Department after forty-five (45) calendar days shall become property of the Department.

#### **29. NON-DISCRIMINATION AND AFFIRMATIVE ACTION**

- a. In connection with the furnishing of equipment, supplies, and/or services under the contract, the contractor and all subcontractors shall agree not to discriminate against recipients of services or employees or applicants for employment on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, disability, or veteran status unless otherwise provided by law. If the contractor or subcontractor employs at least 50 persons, they shall have and maintain an affirmative action program which shall include:
  1. A written policy statement committing the organization to affirmative action and assigning management responsibilities and procedures for evaluation and dissemination;
  2. The identification of a person designated to handle affirmative action;
  3. The establishment of non-discriminatory selection standards, objective measures to analyze recruitment, an upward mobility system, a wage and salary structure, and standards applicable to layoff, recall, discharge, demotion, and discipline;
  4. The exclusion of discrimination from all collective bargaining agreements; and
  5. Performance of an internal audit of the reporting system to monitor execution and to provide for future planning.

- b. If discrimination by a contractor is found to exist, the Department shall take appropriate enforcement action which may include, but not necessarily be limited to, cancellation of the contract, suspension, or debarment by the Department until corrective action by the contractor is made and ensured, and referral to the Attorney General's Office, whichever enforcement action may be deemed most appropriate.

### **30. AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT**

- a. In connection with the furnishing of equipment, supplies, and/or services under the contract, the contractor and all subcontractors shall comply with all applicable requirements and provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

### **31. FILING AND PAYMENT OF TAXES**

- a. The commissioner of administration and other agencies to which the state purchasing law applies shall not contract for goods or services with a vendor if the vendor or an affiliate of the vendor makes sales at retail of tangible personal property or for the purpose of storage, use, or consumption in this state but fails to collect and properly pay the tax as provided in chapter 144, RSMo. For the purposes of this section, "affiliate of the vendor" shall mean any person or entity that is controlled by or is under common control with the vendor, whether through stock ownership or otherwise. Therefore a bidder's failure to maintain compliance with chapter 144, RSMo may eliminate their bid from consideration for award.

### **32. TITLES**

- a. Titles of paragraphs used herein are for the purpose of facilitating reference only and shall not be construed to infer a contractual construction of language.

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