



NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The City of Edinburg is soliciting sealed bids to be received by the City Secretary's Office located at 415 W. University Drive, Edinburg, Texas 78541. City of Edinburg normal business days are Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and shall be closed on recognized holidays. Bids shall be addressed to: **CITY OF EDINBURG, C/O CITY SECRETARY, 415 W. UNIVERSITY DRIVE, P.O. BOX1079, EDINBURG, TX 78540.**

Bids will be received until **3:00 p.m. Central Time**, on Monday, **April 5, 2021 at 3:00 p.m.** shortly thereafter all submitted bids will be gathered and taken to the Edinburg City Hall Community Room, 1st Floor, to be publicly opened and read aloud. Any bid received after the closing time will not be accepted and will be returned to the bidder unopened. It is the responsibility of the bidder to see that any bid submitted shall have sufficient time to be received by the City Secretary's Office prior to the bid opening date and time. The receiving time in the City Secretary's Office will be the governing time for acceptability of the bids. Bids will not be accepted by telephone or facsimile machine. All bids must bear original signatures and figures. The Bid shall be for:

BID # 2021-20
EDINBURG FIRE DEPARTMENT
WILDLAND/EXTRICATION PROTECTIVE CLOTHING
100 SETS OF RESCUE 80 – WILDLAND GEAR COATS & PANTS
CDBG Grant: B-20-MC-48-0503

A Pre-Bid virtual meeting will be held Via Zoom at 9:00 a.m., Monday, March 29, 2021. Please use the credentials below to attend this meeting.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://cityofedinburg.zoom.us/j/82160435639?pwd=WFlwdWtEZUpJdC92RVA4TEaUEk5QT09>

Meeting ID: 821 6043 5639

Passcode: 047972

Dial by your location

+1 346 248 7799 US (Houston), +1 669 900 9128 US (San Jose), +1 253 215 8782 US (Tacoma), +1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago), +1 646 558 8656 US (New York), +1 301 715 8592 US (Washington DC)

This project is being funded in whole or in part by the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG). All related federal CDBG requirements will apply. Bidders will be required to comply with the President's Executive Order No. 11236 and Order No. 11375 which prohibits discrimination in employment regarding race, creed, color, sex, or national origin. Bidder must also comply with the Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Section 504, Minority and Women Owned Business Enterprise standards, affirmative action requirements, the Davis-Bacon and Related Acts, the Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act, the Contract and Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, Federal Labor Standards Provisions HUD-4010, Section 3 requirements per the US Department of Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, and all contract procurement provisions listed in 2 CFR Part 200, Appendix II, as applicable.

Prospective contractors/vendors are required to obtain a Data Universal Number System (DUNS) number and must also be registered in the System for Award Management (SAM) database prior to award of a contract or agreement. Registration for DUNS can be completed at <http://fedgov.dnb.com>. Registration for the SAM database can be completed at www.sam.gov. All contractors/subcontractors/vendors who are debarred, suspended, or otherwise

excluded from or ineligible for participation on federal assistance programs may not undertake any activity in part or in full under this project.

“The City of Edinburg is an Equal Employment Opportunity Employer”

If you have questions or require additional information regarding this bid, you may contact LORENA FUENTES, PURCHASING AGENT, LOCATED AT 415 W UNIVERSITY DRIVE, Edinburg, TX 78541 at (956) 388-1895 or via e-mail to the following: lfuentes@cityofedinburg.com

The City of Edinburg reserves the right to refuse and reject any or all bids and to waive any or all formalities or technicalities and to accept the bid deemed most advantageous to the City, and hold the bids for a period of 60 days without taking action.

Bids must be submitted in an envelope, sealed with tape and prominently marked on the lower left hand corner of the bid envelope with corresponding bid number and title.

CITY OF EDINBURG

INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

DEVIATION FROM SPECIFICATION

Please read your specifications/requirements thoroughly and be sure that the SERVICES offered comply with all specifications/requirements. Any variation from the specifications/requirements must be clearly indicated by letter attached to your bid referencing variations on a point-by-point basis. If no exceptions are noted, and you are the successful bidder, it will be required that the SERVICES be provided as specified.

PURPOSE

The purpose of these specifications/requirements and bidding documents is for the **FIRE DEPARTMENT WILDLAND/EXTRICATION PROTECTIVE CLOTHING, 100SETS OF RESCUE 80 – WILDLAND GEAR COATS & PANTS** for the City of Edinburg.

1. The ITEMS to be furnished under this bid shall be as specified in these bid documents. All specifications/requirements shown are minimum. There is no intention to disqualify any bidder who can meet these specifications/requirements.

SUBMITTAL OF BID

Bids will be submitted in sealed envelopes upon the blank bid form attached hereto. Submit three (3) complete sets of the bid, one (1) original marked “**ORIGINAL**,” and two (2) copies marked “**COPY**”. Each bid must be completely filled out and SUBMITTED IN ORIGINAL FORM, complete with all supporting documentation. Bids submitted by facsimile (fax) or electronically will **NOT** be accepted. Submittal of a bid in response to this solicitation for Bids constitutes an offer by the Bidder. Bids which do not comply with these specifications/requirements may be rejected at the option of the City. Bids must be filed with the City of Edinburg, before opening day and hour. No late Bids will be accepted. They will be returned to Bidder unopened (if properly identified).

If Hand-delivering Bids: 415 West University Drive, c/o City Secretary Department (1st Floor)

If using Land Courier (i.e., FedEx, UPS): 415 West University Drive, c/o City Secretary Department (1st Floor), Edinburg, Texas 78541

If Mailing Bids: P.O. Box 1079, Edinburg, TX 78540-1079

PREPARATION OF BID

Bids **MUST** give full firm name and address of bidder, and be manually signed. Failure to do so will disqualify your bid. Person signing bid must show title or AUTHORITY TO BIND HIS/HER FIRM IN A CONTRACT.

Firm name and authorized signature must appear on each page that calls for this information. The legal status of the Respondent/Bidder whether corporation, partnership, or individual, shall also be stated in the bid. A corporation shall execute the bid by its duly authorized officers in accordance with its corporate by-laws and shall also list the state in which it is incorporated. A partnership Respondent/Bidder shall give full names and addresses of all partners. All partners shall execute the bid. Partnership and Individual Respondent/Bidder shall state in the bid the names and addresses of all persons with a vested interest therein. The place of residence of each Respondent/Bidder, or the office address in the case of a firm or company, with county and state and telephone number, shall be given after the signature.

ALTERATIONS/AMENDMENTS TO BID

Bids **CANNOT** be altered or amended after opening time. Alterations made before opening time must be initialed by bidder guaranteeing authenticity. No bid may be withdrawn after opening time without acceptable reason in writing and only after approval by the City of Edinburg.

INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS (Continued):

SALES TAX

State sales tax must not be included in the bid.

SUBSTITUTIONS

No substitutions or cancellations will be permitted without written approval of City of Edinburg.

NO BID RESPONSE

If unable to submit a bid, bidder should return inquiry giving reasons.

EXCEPTIONS

Any additions, deletions, or variations from the following specifications/requirements must be noted. The bidder shall attach to his/her bid sheet a list of any exceptions to the specifications/requirements if unable to do so, on specification sheet.

BRAND OR MANUFACTURER REFERENCE

Unless otherwise specified, any catalog or manufacturer's reference or brand name used in describing an item is merely descriptive, and not restrictive, and is used only to indicate type and style of product desired. Bids on alternate brands will be considered if they meet specification requirements. If a bidder quotes on equipment other than the one(s) specified in the bid, sufficient specifications and descriptive (pictured literature) data must accompany same to permit thorough evaluation. In the absence of these qualifications, he/she will be expected to furnish the product called for.

DELIVERY

Number of days required to deliver ITEMS after receiving order must be stated in the bid. Failure to so state will obligate bidder to complete service delivery within 120 days from the award of bid.

DELAY IN SERVICE DELIVERY

When delay can be foreseen, Bidder shall give prior notice to City of Edinburg. Bidder must keep City of Edinburg advised at all times of status of order. Default in promised service delivery (without acceptable reasons) or failure to meet specifications/requirements, authorizes the City of Edinburg to purchase such ITEMS elsewhere and charge increase in cost to defaulting vendor. Acceptable reasons for delayed delivery are as follows: Acts of God (floods, tornadoes, hurricanes, etc.), acts of government, fire, strikes, war; Actions beyond the control of the successful bidder.

SERVICE DELIVERED PRICING

Bids in units of quantity specified - extend and show total. In the event of discrepancies in extension, unit prices will govern. Bids subject to unlimited price increase will not be considered.

VALID BID TIME FRAME

The City may hold bids 60 days after bid opening without taking action. BIDDERS shall be required to hold their Bids firm for the same period of time.

RIGHT TO REJECT/AWARD

The City of Edinburg reserves the right to refuse and reject any or all Bids, and to waive any or all formalities or technicalities, and to make such awards of contract as may be deemed to be the best and most advantageous to the City of Edinburg.

INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS (Continued):

MULTIPLE VENDOR CONTRACTS

Bidders are advised that the City of Edinburg may award Service Contracts to multiple vendors based on low bid per item basis. All items specified on the "Bid Form" **must** reflect the individual unit prices. The City of Edinburg reserves the right to award all items individually or in any combination thereof. The City reserves the right to award each item separately or individually, award to one or multiple vendors, and accept the proposal deemed most advantageous to the City.

INDEMNIFICATION CLAUSE

The Bidder agrees to indemnify and save harmless the City, from all suits and actions of every nature and description brought against them or any of them, for or on account of the use of patented appliances, products or processes, and he shall pay all royalties and charges which are legal and equitable. Evidence of such payment or satisfaction shall be submitted upon request of the Purchasing Agent, as a necessary requirement in connection with the final estimate for payment in which such patented appliance, products or processes are used.

ADDENDA

Bidder shall carefully examine the bid forms, specifications/requirements, and instructions to Bidders. Should the bidder find discrepancies in, or omissions from bid forms, specifications/requirements, or other documents, or should he/she be in doubt as to their meaning, he/she should at once notify the Purchasing Agent at 956-388-1895 and obtain clarification by addendum prior to submitting any bid. Explanations, interpretations, and supplemental instructions shall be in the form of written Addenda which shall become a part of the Contract documents. Said Addenda shall be mailed, e-mailed, hand delivered and/or faxed, to all prospective Bidders. All Addenda issued in respect to this project shall be considered official changes to the original bid documents. Verbal statements in response to inquiries and/or requests for explanations shall not be authoritative nor binding. It shall be the Bidder(s) responsibility to ensure that they have received all Addenda in respect to this project. Furthermore, Bidders are advised that they must recognize, comply with, and attach a signed copy of each Addendum which shall be made part of their Bid Submittal. Bidder(s) signature on Addenda shall be interpreted as the bidder's "recognition and compliance to" official changes as outlined by the City of Edinburg and as such are made part of the original solicitation documents. Failure of any bidder to receive any such addendum or interpretation shall not relieve such Bidder from its terms and requirements. The City may issue a written addendum no later than five calendar days prior to the date bids must be received. Addendums are available online at www.cityofedinburg.com.

PAYMENT

The City of Edinburg will execute payment by mail in accordance with the State of Texas Pay Law after ITEMS have been provided and invoiced. No other method of payment will be considered.

SYNONYM

Where in this bid package ITEMS OR SERVICES is used its meaning shall refer to the FIRE DEPARTMENT WILDLAND/EXTRICATION PROTECTIVE CLOTHING, 100SETS OF RESCUE 80 – WILDLAND GEAR COATS & PANTS as specified.

ASSIGNMENT

Neither the Bidder's contract nor payment due to an awarded vendor may be assigned to a third party without the written approval of the Purchasing Department for the City of Edinburg.

INTERPRETATIONS

Any questions concerning the conditions and/or specifications/requirements with regards to this solicitation for Bids shall be directed to the designated individuals as outlined in the Request for Bids. Such interpretations, which may affect the eventual outcome of this request for Bids, shall be furnished in writing to all prospective Bidders via

INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS (Continued):

Addendum. No interpretation shall be considered binding unless provided in writing by the City of Edinburg in accordance with paragraph entitled "Addenda".

STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS

It shall be the responsibility of the successful Bidder to comply with all applicable State & Federal laws, Executive Orders and Municipal Ordinances, and the Rules and Regulations of all authorities having jurisdiction over the work to be performed hereunder and such shall apply to the contract throughout, and that they will be deemed to be included in the contract as though written out in full in the contract documents. (To include issues related to health, environmental, and safety to name a few.)

BIDDER'S EMPLOYEES

Neither the Bidder nor his/her employees engaged in fulfilling the terms and conditions of this Purchase Contract shall be considered employees of the City. The method and manner of performance of such undertakings shall be under the exclusive control of the vendor on contract. The City shall have the right of inspection of said undertakings at any time.

RIGHT TO WAIVE

City of Edinburg reserves the right to waive or take exception to any part of these specifications/requirements when in the best interest of the City of Edinburg.

COOPERATIVE PRICING

Bidders are advised that in addition to responding to our "local" solicitation for bids/Bids with Dealer pricing, vendors/contractors are encouraged to provide pricing on the below referenced items/products/services based on BuyBoard, TX-MAS, H-GAC and/or any other State of Texas recognized and approved cooperative which has complied with the bidding requirements for the State of Texas. If bidding other than or in addition to "dealer" pricing, kindly duplicate the bid forms for each bid being provided from a cooperative contract. Any and all applicable fees must be included. All cooperative pricing must be submitted on or before bid opening date and hour.

TIME ALLOWED FOR ACTION TAKEN

The City of Edinburg may hold bids **60** days after the opening of Bids without taking action. Bidders are required to hold their Bids firm for same period of time.

PREPARATION OF BID

The City of Edinburg shall not be held liable for any costs incurred by any bidder for work performed in the preparation of and production of a bid or for any work performed prior to execution of contract.

CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

Any information deemed to be confidential by the bidder should be clearly noted on the pages where confidential information is contained; however, the City cannot guarantee that it will not be compelled to disclose all or part of any public record under Texas Public Information Act, since information deemed to be confidential by the bidder may not be considered confidential under Texas Law, or pursuant to a Court order.

VERBAL THREATS

Any threats made to any employee of the City, be it verbal or written, to discontinue the providing of item/material/services for whatever reason and/or reasons shall be considered a breach of contract and the City will immediately sever the contract with the Vendor on contract.

INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS (Continued):

MATHEMATICAL ERRORS

In the event that mathematical errors exist in any bid, unit prices/rates -v- totals, unit prices/rates will govern.

AUDIT

The City of Edinburg reserves the right to audit the vendor's books and records relating to the performance of this contract. The City of Edinburg, at its own expense, shall have the right at all reasonable times during normal business hours and upon at least twenty-four (24) hours' advance notice, to audit, to examine, and to make copies of or extracts from the books of account and records maintained by the vendor(s) with respect to the Supply/Service and/or Purchase Contract. If such audit shall disclose overpayment by City to vendor, written notice of such overpayment shall be provided to the vendor and the amount of overpayment shall be promptly reimbursed by vendor to the City. In the event any such overpayment is not paid within ten (10) business days after receipt of such notice, the unpaid amount of such overpayment shall bear interest at the rate of one percent (1%) per month from the date of such notice until paid.

PAST PERFORMANCE

Vendor's past performance shall be taken into consideration in the evaluation and award of Service Contract for the Purchase of SERVICES.

JURISDICTION

Contract(s) executed as part of this solicitation shall be subject to and governed under the laws of the State of Texas. Any and all obligations and payments are due and performable and payable in Hidalgo County, Texas.

VENUE

The parties agree that venue for purposes of any and all lawsuits, cause of action, arbitration, and/or any other dispute(s) shall be in Hidalgo County, Texas.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT COMPLIANCE, PLEASE CONSULT YOUR OWN LEGAL COUNSEL. COMPLIANCE IS THE INDIVIDUAL RESPONSIBILITY OF EACH PERSON OR AGENT OF A PERSON WHO IS SUBJECT TO THE FILING REQUIREMENT. AN OFFENSE UNDER CHAPTER 176 IS A CLASS "C" MISDEMEANOR.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

CHAPTER 176 OF THE TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE

Effective January 1, 2006, Chapter 176 of the Texas Local Government Code requires that any vendor or person considering doing business with a local government entity disclose in the Questionnaire Form CIQ, the vendor or person's affiliation or business relationship that might cause a conflict of interest with a local government entity. By law, this questionnaire must be filed with the records administrator of the City of Edinburg not later than the 7th business day after the date the person becomes aware of facts that require the statement be filed. See Section 176.006, Local Government Code. A person commits an offense if the person violates Section 176.006, Local Government Code. An offense under this section is a Class C misdemeanor. For more information or to obtain Questionnaire CIQ go to the Texas Ethics Commission web page at www.ethics.state.tx.us/forms/CIQ.pdf.

CERTIFICATE OF INTERESTED PARTIES (Form 1295)

In 2015, the Texas Legislature adopted [House Bill 1295](#), which added section 2252.908 of the Government Code. The law states that a governmental entity or state agency may not enter into certain contracts with a business entity unless the business entity submits a disclosure of interested parties to the governmental entity or state agency at the time the business entity submits the signed contract to the governmental entity or state agency. The law applies only

INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS (Continued):

to a contract of a governmental entity or state agency that either (1) requires an action or vote by the governing body of the entity or agency before the contract may be signed or (2) has a value of at least \$1 million. The disclosure requirement applies to a contract entered into on or after January 1, 2016. For more information go to the Texas Ethics Commission web page at www.ethics.state.tx.us/forms/CIQ.pdf.

HB 89

The 85th Texas Legislature approved new legislation, effective Sept. 1, 2017, which amends Texas Local Government Code Section 1. Subtitle F, Title 10, Government Code by adding Chapter 2270 which states that a governmental entity may not enter into a contract with a company for goods or services unless the contract contains a written verification from the company that it:

- 1) does not boycott Israel; and
- 2) will not boycott Israel during the term of the contract

AWARD

For purposes of this project, award will be contingent on approval of budget.

CONSIDERATION OF LOCATION OF BIDDER'S PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS

The City may give local vendors, whose principal place of business is located within the City of Edinburg, and whose bid is within five percent (5%) of the lowest bid price preference as allowed by Section 271.9051 of the Local Government Code

SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES

In the event that the City of Edinburg has an immediate need for a particular service(s) that is/are on contract and the successful vendor on contract is not able to meet the special service delivery needs of the City of Edinburg, the City of Edinburg reserves the right to purchase such services elsewhere to fulfill its' immediate need.

TERMINATION OF CONTRACT

The City of Edinburg reserves the right to terminate the contract if, in the opinion of the City of Edinburg, the successful vendor's performance is not acceptable, if the City is being repeatedly over charged, improperly charged, no funds are available, or if the City wishes, without cause, to discontinue this contract. Termination will be in written form allowing a 30-day notice. The bidder shall be afforded the same right to terminate this contract in the same manner.

STANDARD INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

Staff may waive insurance requirements for contracts \$0 - \$4,999.99, including but not limited to contracts for food, materials, supplies, and construction. Workers' Compensation in amounts which satisfy statutory coverage shall be required for construction projects.

The following insurance requirements will be included in all City contracts of \$5,000 - \$14,999.99. In contracts not involving building and construction projects, as that activity is defined in TEX. LABOR CODE §406.096, contractors may obtain alternative form of worker accident insurance with minimum limits of liability of \$100,000 per claim.

QUESTIONS AND CLARIFICATIONS

Questions and clarifications that change or substantially clarify the Invitation to Bid will be affirmed in writing and copies will be provided to all firms on record responding to BID. **Any inquiries to this BID must be submitted to Ms. Lorena Fuentes, Purchasing Agent, at the following e-mail address: lfuentes@cityofedinburg.com no later than March 26, 2021 at 3:00 p.m.**

INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS (Continued):

Minimum Insurance Requirements	
Type of Coverage	Limits of Liability
Worker's Compensation	Statutory Coverage
Comprehensive General Liability (City named as additional insured) Bodily Injury	\$250,000 each person/\$500,000 each occurrence
Property Damage	\$100,000 each occurrence/\$100,000 aggregate or \$500,000 combined single limits

The following insurance requirements will be included in all City contracts of \$15,000 or more.

- (1) The successful bidder will be required to carry the following insurance coverage and limits of coverage, as well as list the City as an additional insured to liability coverage as requested by the City. In addition, the successful bidder shall provide the City with evidence of coverage and furnish acceptable proof of payment of insurance premiums.
- (2) The successful bidder will be required to secure and/or have insurance coverage in force with an admitted property and casualty insurance company licensed by the State of Texas to conduct business in the State of Texas.
- (3) In contracts not involving building and construction projects, as that activity is defined in TEX. LABOR CODE §406.096, contractors may obtain alternative form of worker accident insurance with minimum limits of liability of \$100,000 per claim.

Minimum Insurance Requirements	
Type of Coverage	Limits of Liability
Worker's Compensation	Statutory Coverage
Employer's Liability	Bodily Injury by Accident: \$100,000 each accident Bodily Injury by Disease: \$100,000 each employee/\$500,000 policy limit
Comprehensive General Liability Bodily Injury	\$250,000 each person/\$500,000 each occurrence
Property Damage	\$100,000 each occurrence/\$100,000 aggregate or \$500,000 combined single limits
Comprehensive Auto Liability Bodily Injury	\$100,000 each person/\$500,000 each occurrence
Property Damage	\$100,000 each occurrence/\$100,000 aggregate or \$500,000 combined single limits

INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS (Continued):

City's Protective Liability	
Bodily Injury	\$250,000 each person/\$500,000 each occurrence
Property Damage	\$100,000 each occurrence/\$100,000 aggregate or \$500,000 combined single limits

Policies must name the City of Edinburg as an Additional Insured.

Certificates of insurance naming the CITY as an additional insured shall be submitted to the CITY for approval prior to any services being performed by Contractor. Each policy of insurance required hereunder shall extend for a period equivalent to, or longer than the term of the Contract, and any insurer hereunder shall be required to give at least thirty (30) days written notice to the CITY prior to the cancellation of any such coverage on the termination date, or otherwise. This Contract shall be automatically suspended upon the cancellation, or other termination, of any required policy of insurance hereunder, and such suspension shall continue until evidence that adequate replacement coverage is provided to the CITY. If replacement coverage is not provided within thirty (30) days following suspension of the Contract, the Contract shall automatically terminate.

BID BOND REQUIREMENTS – CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS ONLY

If the contract amount is over twenty-five-thousand dollars (\$25,000) for construction of the project, the successful bidder shall provide a bid guarantee, give a good and sufficient bond in the full amount of the contract price for the faithful performance of such contract, executed by a surety company authorized to do business in the State of Texas, in accordance with Article 5160, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes, and amendments thereto. A payment bond in the full amount of the contract price to assure payment shall be required by law of all persons supplying labor and material in the execution of the project provided for in the contract documents.

A bid guarantee equivalent to five percent (5%) of the bid price will be required from each bidder. The "bid guarantee" shall consist of a firm commitment, such as a bid bond, certified check or other negotiable instrument accompanying a bid as assurance that the bidder will upon acceptance of his/her bid, execute such contractual documents as may be required within the time specified.

A performance bond on the part of the contractor for one-hundred percent (100%) of the contract price will be required. A "performance bond" is one executed in connection with a contract to secure fulfillment of all the contractor's obligations under such contract.

A payment bond on the part of the contractor for one-hundred percent (100%) of the contract price will be required. A "payment bond" is one executed in connection with a contract to assure payment, as required by law, of all persons supplying labor and material in execution of the work provided for in the contract documents.

Bidders are expressly advised to review the contract documents fully and insurance requirements of the proposed contract as to their legal requirements and the causes which may lead to the disqualification of a bidder and/or rejection of a bid proposal. No bid may be withdrawn within a period of sixty (60) days after the date fixed for opening the bids. Unless all bids are rejected, the Owner will give Notice of Award of Contract to the successful bidder as soon as possible consistent with the time for a thorough analysis of bids submitted. Bidders are expected to inspect the site of work and to inform themselves regarding all local conditions which may affect their bid.

HOUSE BILL 89 VERIFICATION

I, _____, the undersigned representative of
_____, (Company or Business name) (hereafter referred
to as company) **being an adult over the age of eighteen (18) years of age, verify that the company named-
above, under the provisions of Subtitle F, Title 10, Government Code Chapter 2270:**

1. Does not boycott Israel currently; and

2. Will not boycott Israel during the term of the contract.

**3) Is not currently listed on the State of Texas Comptroller's Companies that Boycott Israel List
located at <https://comptroller.texas.gov/purchasing/publications/divestment.php>**

Pursuant to Section 2270.001, Texas Government Code:

1. "Boycott Israel" means refusing to deal with, terminating business activities with, or otherwise taking any action that is intended to penalize, inflict economic harm on, or limit commercial relations specifically with Israel, or with a person or entity doing business in Israel or in an Israeli-controlled territory, but does not include an action made for ordinary business purposes; and

2. "Company" means a for-profit sole proprietorship, organization, association, corporation, partnership, joint venture, limited partnership, limited liability partnership, or any limited liability company, including a wholly owned subsidiary, majority-owned subsidiary, parent company or affiliate of those entities or business associations that exist to make a profit.

SIGNATURE OF COMPANY REPRESENTATIVE:

TYPE/PRINT NAME AND TITLE:

DATE:

**REQUEST FOR BIDS FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT
WILDLAND/EXTRICATION PROTECTIVE CLOTHING
100SETS OF RESCUE 80 – WILDLAND GEAR COATS & PANTS**

BID NO. 2021-20

BID OPENING DATE: April 5, 2021 at 3:00 p.m.

It is the intent of this Request for Bids to describe and ultimately make it possible for the City of Edinburg to purchase **WILDLAND/EXTRICATION PROTECTIVE CLOTHING, 100SETS OF RESCUE 80 – WILDLAND GEAR COATS & PANTS**. You are invited to submit a sealed bid for the purchase of the protective clothing as described in the attached bid specifications document.

Bid must meet specifications or must be equal to. All bids must exhibit exact item and any exceptions must be listed per line item.

Note: The City reserves the right to consider each group as a separate bid and award any or all, whichever may be more advantageous to the City. The City reserves the right to increase or decrease the quantities depending on availability of funds.

**BID FORM FOR:
FIRE DEPARTMENT WILDLAND/EXTRICATION PROTECTIVE CLOTHING
100 SETS OF RESCUE 80 – WILDLAND GEAR COATS & PANTS (Continued):**

All Addenda issued in respect to this project shall be considered official changes to the original bidding documents. It shall be the Bidder(s) responsibility to ensure that all Addenda have been received. Furthermore, bidders are advised that they must recognize, comply with, and attach a signed copy of each Addendum which shall be made part of their Bid Submittal. Bidder(s) signature on Addenda shall be interpreted as the vendor's "recognition and compliance to" official changes as outlined by the City of Edinburg and as such are made part of the original bidding documents.

Does the Company have an office located in Edinburg, Texas? Yes_____No_____

Has the Company ever conducted business with the City of Edinburg? Yes_____No_____

Respectfully submitted this_____day of_____, 2021.

SIGNATURE: _____

TYPE/PRINT NAME: _____

TITLE: _____

COMPANY: _____

ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE NO.: _____

FAX NO.: _____

EMAIL: _____



**REQUEST FOR BID
100 SETS OF RESCUE 80 – TECGEN COATS AND PANTS**

Note: Bid must meet specifications or must be equal to. All bids must exhibit exact item and any exceptions must be listed per line item.

COATS

COAT SPECIFICATIONS (100 SETS)

_____ *Meets specifications* _____ *Exception*

- Coat Outer Shell: 6.5 oz TECGEN51, Tan
- Coat Closures: XC40 Zipper/Woven Hook and Loop
- Coat Trim Style: 3" NYC Trim Configuration Brilliance Diamond Lime Strip

LETTERING

- Text: EDINBURG
 - 3" Scotchlite Heat-Pressed Letters – Lime/Yellow, XOL-Directly Adhered Heat-Pressed Letters (No Patch) Straight Lettering
- Text: NAME PLATE
 - 3" Scotchlite Heat-Pressed Letters – Lime/Yellow, XODNP-Detachable Name plate

COAT MIC CLIPS AND STRAPS

_____ *Meets specifications* _____ *Exception*

- Fabric Hook and Loop Cuff Adjusters
 - Left Qty: 1
- Mic Tab: Left Chest
 - Left Qty: 1

COAT POCKETS

_____ *Meets specifications* _____ *Exception*

- Chest Pocket – Left: Multi-Feature Radio Pocket (8x3.5x3”) includes phone pocket, 2 pen pockets and extra-long double notched flap
- Chest Pocket – Right: 3-Compartment patch pocket, right chest (7x5.5”)
- Hand Pocket – Left: Cargo Hand Pocket (8x7”)
- Hand Pocket – Right: Cargo Hand Pocket (8x7”)

PANTS

PANT SPECIFICATIONS (100 SETS)

_____ *Meets specifications* _____ *Exception*

- Pant Outer Shell: 6.5 oz TECGEN51, Tan
- Pant Closures: TXP Zipper/Button
- Pant Trim Style: 3” Around Cuffs Brilliance Diamond Lime Strip

PANT PATTERN, LINER, PATCHES AND LABELS OPTIONS

- TGXM45 12” Zippered Leg Openings
- Suspender Loops and Suspenders

PANT STRAPS AND OPTIONS

- Fabric Hook and Loop Cuff Adjusters
 - Left Qty: 1
 - Right Qty: 1
- Two Take-up Straps: Nomex Webbing
 - Left Qty: 1
 - Right Qty: 1
- Belt Loops: 1x3 Shell Loops

PANT POCKETS

- Front Pocket – Left: Partial-Bellow Cargo Pocket (9x8”) and Front Hand Pocket (Bag Pocket)
- Front Pocket – Left: Zippered Pass Through Pocket

- Front Pocket – Right: 50/50 Split Cargo Pocket (9x8.5”) and Front Hand Pocket (Bag Pocket)
- Front Pocket – Right: Zippered Pass Through Pocket
- Back Pocket – Left: Rear Patch Pocket (7x6”)
- Back Pocket – Right: Rear Patch Pocket (7x6”)

PANT REINFORCEMENTS

- Knee Reinforcement: Black PCA Reinforcement Knees with Padding
- Cuff Reinforcement: Standard Cuff, Black, PCA (Polymer Coated Aramid)



Community Development/Grants Management Bid Packet Contents

I. Required Certifications

- a. System for Award Management Instructions (SAM)
- b. W-9 Request for Tax Payer ID
- c. Conflict of Interest Affidavit and information
- d. Certification Regarding Equal Employment Opportunity
- e. Certification Regarding Clean Air and Water
- f. Certification Regarding Debarment and Suspension
- g. Certification Regarding Non-Lobbying Activities
- h. Non-Collusion Affidavit for Prime Bidder/Subcontractor
- i. Information Regarding Use of MBE/WBE

II. Federal Contract Provisions

III. Federal Register 2 CFR Part 200, Appendix II

I. Required Certifications

- a. Prime Contractors, bidders and/or vendors are required to be registered in the System for Award Management (SAM) before they can be awarded the project. Instructions on how to register are included. The website link for registration is www.sam.gov.
- b. The Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification form must be completed and submitted with final bid submitted.
- c. A prospective contractor, bidder and/or vendor should review the Conflict of Interest Summary of Rules for CDBG Contractors. The affidavit should be reviewed, signed and submitted, disclosing any possible conflict of interest.
- d. A prospective contractor, bidder and/or vendor should complete and submit the Certification Regarding Equal Employment Opportunity.
- e. A prospective contractor, bidder and/or vendor should complete and submit the Clean Air and Water Certification.
- f. A prospective contractor, bidder and/or vendor should complete and submit the Certification Regarding Debarment and Suspension. Additional information is included.
- g. A prospective contractor, bidder and/or vendor should complete and submit the Certification on Non-Lobbying Activities. Additional information is included.
- h. A prospective contractor, bidder and/or vendor should complete and submit the Non-Collusion Affidavit. Additional information is included.
- i. Information regarding use of Minority-Owned Business Enterprises/Women-Owned Business Enterprises is included.

SYSTEM FOR AWARD MANAGEMENT REGISTRATION AND ACTIVATION

Any business choosing to bid or provide proposals on Federally Funded projects, must be currently REGISTERED and ACTIVE in the System for Awards Management (SAM) database, at the time of bid opening.

This database is the primary federal registrant portal for the collecting, validating, storing and disseminating data on federal awards. SAM is an official website of the U.S. government and there is no cost to register on this site.

1. Does your organization have **ACTIVE REGISTRATION** status with SAM.gov?
____ Yes ____ No
2. If so, please provide you organizations DUNS number: _____

Note: Immediately after the bid opening takes place, the City will enter the bidder's DUNS number into the SAM database search engine. If the prospective bidder is not listed as ACTIVE on the database, the bid will be deemed non-responsive and disqualified from consideration of award.

To register, please access the following internet website: <http://www.sam.gov>. To register in SAM, an entity must have a Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number. The DUNS Number is assigned by Dun & Bradstreet, Inc. (D&B) to identify unique business entities.

If you're business does not have a DUNS number, the following websites may be accessed to begin the process of obtaining one:

www.grants.gov/applicants/org_step1.jsp or <http://fedgov.dnb.com/webform>

SYSTEM FOR AWARD MANAGEMENT (SAM) REGISTRATION INFORMATION

In preparation for registration in **SAM**, there are several steps you should take. Among these steps are:

1. **Obtain a TIN/EIN for your business from the IRS.** (Even if your business is a sole proprietorship, it's important — because of identity-theft considerations — that you do not operate your business using your Social Security number.)
2. **Obtain a DUNS number for your business.** (Don't pay anyone for this; a DUNS number can be obtained from Dunn & Bradstreet — D&B — at no cost via the web within a day or two.)
3. **Research and identify the PSC/FSC and NAICS codes most appropriate to your business.** (Every product and service is classified by these federal numbering systems, and it's essential that you identify the codes that are applicable to your business.)
4. **Write a brief capabilities statement.** (You must have a grammatically-correct, short description of what your company does.)
5. **Identify “key words” associated with the nature of your business.** (These words should be crafted from a government buyer's perspective; in other words, think about what the government might “call” what it is you do or sell.)
6. **Make a list of business references.** (Be prepared to provide company name, contact person, dollar value, and date range of work.)

Please make sure to plan ahead. There are not many preparatory steps, but they are the most important ones.

How do I register with SAM?

To register with SAM, go to the System for Award Management (SAM) site. Follow the online instructions to complete SAM registration. You will need your DUNS number and Employment Identification Number (EIN) or Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN).

If you have any questions please contact the Federal Service Desk at www.FSD.gov. Their phone number is (866) 606-8220.

Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

Give Form to the
requester. Do not
send to the IRS.

► Go to www.irs.gov/FormW9 for instructions and the latest information.

Print or type.
See Specific Instructions on page 3.

1 Name (as shown on your income tax return). Name is required on this line; do not leave this line blank.	
2 Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above	
3 Check appropriate box for federal tax classification of the person whose name is entered on line 1. Check only one of the following seven boxes. <input type="checkbox"/> Individual/sole proprietor or single-member LLC <input type="checkbox"/> Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (C=C corporation, S=S corporation, P=Partnership) ► _____ Note: Check the appropriate box in the line above for the tax classification of the single-member owner. Do not check LLC if the LLC is classified as a single-member LLC that is disregarded from the owner unless the owner of the LLC is another LLC that is not disregarded from the owner for U.S. federal tax purposes. Otherwise, a single-member LLC that is disregarded from the owner should check the appropriate box for the tax classification of its owner. <input type="checkbox"/> Other (see instructions) ► _____	4 Exemptions (codes apply only to certain entities, not individuals; see instructions on page 3): Exempt payee code (if any) _____ Exemption from FATCA reporting code (if any) _____ <small>(Applies to accounts maintained outside the U.S.)</small>
5 Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.) See instructions.	Requester's name and address (optional)
6 City, state, and ZIP code	
7 List account number(s) here (optional)	

Part I Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on line 1 to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is generally your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the instructions for Part I, later. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see *How to get a TIN*, later.

Note: If the account is in more than one name, see the instructions for line 1. Also see *What Name and Number To Give the Requester* for guidelines on whose number to enter.

Social security number											
				-				-			
or											
Employer identification number											
					-						

Part II Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

1. The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me); and
2. I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding; and
3. I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below); and
4. The FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that I am exempt from FATCA reporting is correct.

Certification instructions. You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions for Part II, later.

Sign Here	Signature of U.S. person ►	Date ►
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General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

Future developments. For the latest information about developments related to Form W-9 and its instructions, such as legislation enacted after they were published, go to www.irs.gov/FormW9.

Purpose of Form

An individual or entity (Form W-9 requester) who is required to file an information return with the IRS must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) which may be your social security number (SSN), individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN), adoption taxpayer identification number (ATIN), or employer identification number (EIN), to report on an information return the amount paid to you, or other amount reportable on an information return. Examples of information returns include, but are not limited to, the following.

- Form 1099-INT (interest earned or paid)

- Form 1099-DIV (dividends, including those from stocks or mutual funds)
- Form 1099-MISC (various types of income, prizes, awards, or gross proceeds)
- Form 1099-B (stock or mutual fund sales and certain other transactions by brokers)
- Form 1099-S (proceeds from real estate transactions)
- Form 1099-K (merchant card and third party network transactions)
- Form 1098 (home mortgage interest), 1098-E (student loan interest), 1098-T (tuition)
- Form 1099-C (canceled debt)
- Form 1099-A (acquisition or abandonment of secured property)

Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN.

If you do not return Form W-9 to the requester with a TIN, you might be subject to backup withholding. See What is backup withholding, later.



**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM
AFFIDAVIT REGARDING CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

Acknowledgement:

I, the undersigned, certify that I have read and understand the conflict of interest regulations by the US Department of Housing and Urban Development, Community Development Block Grant Program, including 24 CFR Part 570.611:

24 CFR Part 570.611 (b) Conflicts prohibit. No persons described in paragraph (c) of this section who exercise or have exercised any functions or responsibilities with respect to activities assisted with CDBG funds or who are in a position to participate in a decision-making process or gain inside information with regard to these activities, may obtain a financial interest or benefit from a CDBG-assisted activity, or have an interest in any contract, subcontract or agreement with respect thereto, or the proceeds thereunder, either for themselves or those with whom they have family or business ties, during their tenure or for one year thereafter.

24 CFR Part 570.611 (c) Persons covered. The conflict of interest provisions of paragraph (b) of this section apply to any person who is an employee, agent, consultant, officer, or elected official or appointed official to the recipient, or of any designated public agencies, or of subrecipients that are receiving CDBG funds.

Certification:

I, the undersigned, certify and report that to the best of my knowledge,

☐ I have no conflict of interest to disclose

☐ I have the following conflict of interest to disclose:

Date:

Printed Name and Title:

Company/Vendor Name:

Authorized Signatory:

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

SUMMARY OF RULES FOR CDBG CONTRACTORS

I. Introduction

Prospective CDBG contractors should carefully consider whether any of their activities may give rise to an improper conflict of interest situation. Conflict of interest situations that are not properly addressed can result in a loss of CDBG funding to the program and/or to the City, and in some cases can result in civil or criminal liability.

Organizations that are requesting CDBG funding should ask themselves the following questions:

- * Are any of my employees or board members,
 - a City employee or consultant who exercises CDBG-related functions as part of their City position?
 - a member of the Community Development Board that will participate in the City's CDBG selection process?
 - a City Official?
- * Are any immediate family members or business associates of my employees or board members,
 - a City employee or consultant who exercises CDBG-related functions as part of their City position?
 - a member of the Community Development Board will participate in the City's CDBG selection process?
 - a City Official?
- * Will any of my employees or board members receive a financial interest or benefit from CDBG funds (other than employee salaries or personnel benefits)? Will any immediate family members or business associates of my employees or board members receive a financial interest or benefit from CDBG funds (other than employee salaries or personnel benefits)?
- * To my knowledge, will my program or project have a financial effect on a City official or employee who exercises CDBG-related functions, or an immediate family member or business associate of such person? For example, will any of these persons be receiving rental payments, other business income, or program services from my program?

If you can answer "yes" to any of these questions, it is possible that there may be a conflict of interest. You should review the rules below to determine whether an actual conflict situation is raised, and, if so, what action needs to be taken to avoid a violation of the law. You should contact City staff immediately if you suspect that there might be an issue.

Any contractor entering into an agreement with the City in which CDBG funding will be utilized, will be required to warrant and represent, to the best of his/her knowledge at the time the contract is executed, he/she is not aware of any improper conflict of interest as described below. Also, the contract will obligate contractors to exercise due diligence to ensure that no improper conflict situations occur during the contract.

The following Federal and State Conflict of Interest Laws govern activities funded with CDBG funds:

- * HUD conflict of interest regulations (24 CFR Part 570.611 and 24 CFR Part 85.36)
- * Texas Local Government Code Chapter 171.004
- * City of Edinburg Policies & Procurement Manual – General Ethical Standards

II. City Officials, Their Family or Business Partners Benefiting from CDBG Projects.

HUD rule. The HUD conflict of interest rule prohibits any "covered person" associated with the City (as defined below) from obtaining a financial interest or benefit from a CDBG assisted activity or contract, or the proceeds under any such contract, during that covered person's tenure with the City and for one year thereafter. A "covered person" is defined by HUD as any employee, agent, consultant, officer, or elected or appointed official of the City who, with respect to CDBG- funded activities under the contract: (a) exercises or has exercised any functions or responsibilities; or, (b) is in a position to participate in a decision-making process; or, (c) is in a position to gain inside information. City staff members or consultants who exercise the above roles or function with respect to the CDBG activity are considered "covered persons." For purposes of the CDBG program, a "covered person" specifically includes any member of the Edinburg City Council, or any director of any Board associated with reviewing and making recommendations on the funding for the contract, whether or not that Councilmember or director actually participated in the review or recommendation. "Covered person" may also include members of other City boards and commissions, if that board or commission has exercised functions or decision-making with respect to the CDBG activity. The HUD rule further prohibits anyone with "family or business ties" to the covered public official from receiving a financial interest or benefit.

State law. State law requires a local public official with substantial interest in a business entity or in real property, to file, before a vote or decision on any matter involving the business entity or the real property, an affidavit stating the nature of and extent of the interest. The state law requires that any public official of the City, should publicly recuse him/herself from participating in any discussions relating to the CDBG grant-making process. Failure of the person to recuse him/herself **before** the discussions begin may disqualify the organization's application for funds.

III. Interests of persons associated with the contractor.

The HUD rule also addresses financial interests that are held by certain persons associated with a CDBG contractor. The HUD rule prohibits any "covered person" associated with the

contractor from obtaining a financial interest or benefit (with the exception of the use of CDBG funds to pay salaries and other related administrative and personnel costs) from a CDBG assisted activity or contract, or the proceeds under any such contract, during that covered person's tenure with the contractor and for one year thereafter. A "covered person" is defined by HUD as any employee, agent, consultant, officer, or elected or appointed official of the contractor who, with respect to CDBG-funded activities under the contract: (a) exercises or has exercised any functions or responsibilities; or, (b) is in a position to participate in a decision-making process; or, (c) is in a position to gain inside information. This rule extends to those with whom the covered person has "family or business ties" (as defined above). This rule would, for example, prohibit certain employees or directors of a CDBG contractor from using CDBG funds to pay for rent on property owned by that employee or director, as well as family and business associates of that person.

IV. Remedies and Sanctions.

The CDBG grant contract provides that if a CDBG contractor fails to make a good faith effort to avoid an improper conflict of interest situation or is responsible for the improper conflict situation, the City may (1) suspend CDBG payments, (2) terminate the contract, (3) require reimbursement by the contractor to the City or to HUD of any amounts already disbursed, and/or (4) bar future CDBG funding of the contractor by the City. In addition, the City may suspend payments or terminate the contract in the event HUD suspends or terminates its grant to the City for conflict of interest reasons, or in the event the City reasonably determines that an improper conflict of interest situation may arise from payments under the contract. This could happen whether or not the contractor is responsible for the conflict of interest situation.

Certification:

I, the undersigned, acknowledge and certify that I have read and understand the summary of Rules for CDBG Contractors.

Date:

Printed Name and Title:

Company/Vendor Name:

Authorized Signatory:

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

**CERTIFICATION OF BIDDER REGARDING
EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**

INSTRUCTIONS

This certification is required pursuant to Executive Order 11246 (30 F.R. 12319-25). The implementing rules and regulations provide that any bidder or prospective contractor, or any of their proposed subcontractors, shall state as an initial part of the bid or negotiations of the contract, whether it has participated in any previous contract or subcontract subject to the equal opportunity clause; and, if so, whether it has files all compliance reports due under applicable instructions.

Where the certification indicates that the bidder has not filed a compliance report due under applicable instructions, such bidders shall be required to submit a compliance report within seven (7) calendar days after bid opening. No contract shall be awarded unless such report is submitted.

CERTIFICATION BY BIDDER

Bidder's Name: _____

Address and Zip Code: _____

1. Bidder has participated in previous contract or subcontract subject to the Equal Employment Opportunity Clause.
Yes _____ No _____ (If answer is yes, identify the most recent contract)
2. Compliance reports were required to be filed in connection with such contract or subcontract.
Yes _____ No _____ (If answer is yes, identify the most recent contract)
3. Bidder has filed all compliance reports due under applicable instructions, including SF-100.
Yes _____ No _____ None Required _____
4. If answer to Item 3 is "No", please explain in detail on the reverse side of this certification.

Certification – The information above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

(Name and Title of Signer – please type)

Signature

Date

HUD 4238

CLEAN AIR AND WATER CERTIFICATION

(For all contracts exceeding \$100,000 including indefinite quantities where the amount is expected to exceed \$100,000 in any year)

The Bidder certifies that:

1. Any facility to be used in the performance of this proposed contract is not listed on the Environmental Protection Agency List of Violating Facilities;
2. The bidder will immediately notify the Procuring Agency, before award, of the receipt of any communication from the Administrator, or a designee, of the Environmental Protection Agency, indicating that any facility that the Bidder proposes to use for the performance of this contract is under consideration to be listed on the EPA List of Violating Facilities; and
3. The Bidder will include a certification substantially the same as this certification, including this paragraph, in every non-exempt subcontract.

Signature of Contractor's Authorized Official: _____

Name of Contractor's Authorized Official: _____

Title of Contractor's Authorized Official: _____

Date: _____

Certification Regarding Debarment and Suspension

Certification A: Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension and Other Responsibility Matters – Primary Covered Transactions

1. The prospective primary participant certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief that its principals:

a. Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any Federal debarment or agency;

b. Have not within a three-year period preceding this proposal, been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State, or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification, or destruction of records, making false statement, or receiving stolen property;

c. Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (1)(b) of this certification; and

d. Have not within a three-year period preceding this application/proposal had one or more public transactions (Federal, State or local) terminated for cause or default.

2. Where the prospective primary participant is unable to certify to any of the statement in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.

Instructions for Certification (A)

1. By signing and submitting this proposal, the prospective primary participant is providing the certification set out below.

2. The inability of a person to provide the certification required below will not necessarily result in denial of participation in this covered transaction. The prospective participant shall submit an explanation of why it cannot provide the certification set out below. The certification or explanation will be considered in connection with the department or agency's determination whether to enter into this transaction. However, failure of the prospective primary participant to furnish a certification of the prospective primary participant to furnish a certification or an explanation shall disqualify such person from participation in this transaction.

3. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was in place when the department or agency determined to enter into this transaction. If it is later determined that the prospective primary participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency may terminate this transaction for cause or default.

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4. The prospective primary participant shall provide immediate written notice to the department or agency to whom this proposal is submitted if at any time the prospective primary participant learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.

5. The terms **covered transaction, debarred, suspended, ineligible, lower tier covered transaction, participant, person, primary covered transaction, principal, proposal, and voluntarily excluded**, as used in this clause, have the meanings set out in the Definitions and Coverage sections of the rules implementing Executive Order 12549. You may contact the department or agency to which this proposal is being submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of these regulations.

6. The prospective primary participant agrees by submitting this proposal that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency entering into this transaction.

7. The prospective primary participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include the clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion – Lower Tier Covered Transaction," provided by the department or agency entering into this covered transaction, without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions.

8. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that it is not debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant may decide the method and frequency by which it determines this eligibility of its principals. Each participant may, but is not required to, check the Non-procurement list.

9. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of a participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.

10. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph (6) of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency may terminate this transaction for cause or default.

Certification B: Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligible and Voluntary Exclusion – Lower Tier Covered Transactions

1. The prospective lower tier participant certifies, by submission of this proposal, that neither it nor its principals is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency.

2. Where the prospective lower tier participant is unable to testify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.

Instructions for Certification (B)

1. By signing and submitting this proposal, the prospective lower tier participant is providing the certification set out below.

2. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was entered into. If it is later determined that the prospective lower tier participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.

3. The prospective lower tier participant shall provide immediate written notice to the person to which this proposal is submitted if at any time the prospective lower tier participant learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become by reason of changed circumstances.

4. The terms **covered transaction, debarred, suspended, ineligible, lower tier covered transaction, participant, person, primary covered transaction, principal, proposal, and voluntarily excluded**, as used in this clause, have the meanings set out in the Definitions and Coverage sections of rules implementing Executive Order 12549. You may contact the person to which this proposal is submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of these regulations.

5. The prospective lower tier participant agrees by submitting this proposal that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into a lower tier transaction with a person who is debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency with which this transaction originated.

6. The prospective lower tier participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include this clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion – Lower Tier Covered Transaction," without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions.

7. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that it is not debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant may decide the method and frequency by which it determines the eligibility of its principals. Each participant may, but is not required to, check the Non-procurement list.

8. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of a participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.

9. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph (5) of these instructions, if a participant in a lower covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies including suspension and/or debarment.

Applicant	Date
Signature of Authorized Certifying Official	Title

CERTIFICATION ON NON-LOBBYING ACTIVITIES

CERTIFICATION FOR CONTRACTS, GRANTS, AND LOANS

The undersigned certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

1. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the Undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant or Federal loan, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant or loan.
2. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant or loan, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities," in accordance with its instructions.
3. The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the Award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including contracts, subcontracts, and subgrants under grants and loans) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

NAME

TITLE

SIGNATURE

DATE

NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT OF PRIME BIDDER/SUBCONTRACTOR

State of Texas)
County of Hidalgo)
City of Edinburg)

_____, being the first duly sworn, deposes and says that:

1. He/she is _____ of _____
(Owner, partner, etc.) (Company)
the Bidder that has submitted the attached Bid;

2. He/she is fully informed respecting the preparation and contents of the attached Bid and of all pertinent circumstances respecting such Bid;

3. Such Bid is genuine and is not a collusive or sham Bid;

4. Neither the said Bidder nor any of its officers, partners, owners, subcontractors, agents, representatives, employees or parties in interest including this affiant, has in any way colluded, conspired, connived or agreed, directly or indirectly, with any other Bidder, firm or person to submit a sham Bid in connection with the Contract for which the attached Bid has been submitted or to refrain from bidding in connection with such Contract, or has in any manner, directly or indirectly sought by agreement or collusion or communication or conference with any other Bidder, firm or person to fix price or prices in the attached Bid or of any other Bidder, or to fix overhead, profit or cost element of the bid price or the bid price of any other bidder, or to secure through any collusion, conspiracy, connivance or unlawful agreement and advantage against the City of Edinburg;

5. No member of the City Council, or any person in the employ of the City is directly or indirectly interested in the bid, or the work to which it relates, or in any portion of the profits thereof; and,

6. The price of prices quoted in the attached Bid are fair and proper and are not tainted by any collusion, conspiracy, connivance or unlawful agreement on the part of the Bidder or any of its agents, representatives, owners, employees or parties in interest including this affiant;

7. I have read and understand the document and agree(s) to comply with the terms and conditions contained as the date hereof;

8. I the Bidder am not indebted to the City of Edinburg in any form or manner.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Title: _____

Notary: _____

(Apply Notary Seal)

(Print or type names under all signatures)

INFORMATION REGARDING THE USE OF MINORITY AND WOMEN'S BUSINESS ENTERPRISES (MBE/WBE)

Procedures for Implementation of 40 CFR Part 31.136(e) (Minority Business Enterprise/Women's Business Enterprise)

Each bidder must fully comply with the requirements, terms, and conditions of the Federal policy to award a fair share of sub-agreements to minority and women's businesses. The bidder commits itself to taking affirmative actions contained herein, prior to submission of bids or proposals.

Affirmative Actions

1. When feasible, segmenting total work requirements to permit maximum MBE/WBE participation.
2. Assuring that MBEs and WBEs are solicited whenever they are potential sources of goods or services. This activity may include:
 - a. Sending letters or making other personal contacts with MBEs and WBEs (contact CDBG for website information) or other MBE/WBEs known to the bidder. MBEs and WBEs should be contacted when other potential subcontractors are contacted, within reasonable time (fifteen days) prior to bid submission or closing date for receipt of initial offers. Those letters or other contacts should communicate the following:
 - i. Specific description of the work to be subcontracted;
 - ii. How and where to obtain a copy of plans and specifications or other detailed information needed to prepare a detailed price quotation;
 - iii. Date quotation is due to the bidder;
 - iv. Name, address, and phone number of the person in the bidder's firm whom the prospective MBE/WBE subcontractor should contact for additional information.
 - b. Sending letters or making other personal contacts with local, state, Federal, and private agencies and MBE/WBE associations relevant to the project. Such contacts should provide the same information provided in the direct contacts to MBE and WBE firms.
3. Establishing delivery schedules, if feasible, which will encourage participation by MBEs and WBEs.

Determination of Compliance

It is to be noted that bidders must demonstrate compliance with MBE/WBE requirements to be deemed responsible. Demonstration of compliance shall include, but is not limited to, the following information:

1. Names, addresses, and phone numbers of MBE/WBEs expected to perform

work;

2. Work to be performed by the MBEs and WBEs;
3. Aggregate dollar amount of work to be performed by MBEs and WBEs, showing aggregate to MBEs and aggregate to WBEs separately;
4. Description of contacts to MBE and WBE organizations, agencies, and associates which serve MBE/WBEs, including names of organizations, agencies, and associations, and date of contacts;
5. Description of contacts to MBEs and WBEs, including number of contacts, fields, (i.e. equipment or material supplier, excavators, transport services, electrical subcontractors, plumbers, etc.) and date of contacts.

To demonstrate compliance, all bidders must complete the following Minority and Women's Business Enterprise Utilization Worksheet and submit it to the Owner with their bid.

This form to be submitted with Bid:

MINORITY AND WOMEN'S BUSINESS ENTERPRISE UTILIZATION WORKSHEET

Grant Applicant _____

Project Number _____

Contractor/Engineer _____

Address, City, State, and Zip _____

Contact Person _____ Telephone No _____

Amount of Contract _____ MBE Percentage _____ WBE Percentage: _____

1. MBE _____ Subcontractor _____

WBE _____ Address, City, State, Zip _____

Contact Person _____

Amount of Subcontract _____ Tax ID Number _____

Scope Of Work _____

2. MBE _____ Subcontractor _____

WBE _____ Address, City, State, Zip _____

Contact Person _____

Amount of Subcontract _____ Tax ID Number _____

Scope Of Work _____

3. MBE _____ Subcontractor _____

WBE _____ Address, City, State, Zip _____

Contact Person _____

Amount of Subcontract _____ Tax ID Number _____

Scope Of Work _____

4. MBE _____ Subcontractor _____

WBE _____ Address, City, State, Zip _____

Contact Person _____

Amount of Subcontract _____ Tax ID Number _____

Scope Of Work _____

II. Federal Contract Provisions

**Community Development Block Grant Program
24 CFR Part 570**

FEDERAL CONTRACT PROVISIONS

This Contract is funded in whole or in part by the US Department of Housing and Urban Development Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program funds made available to the City of Edinburg. These additional provisions apply when CDBG is used to fund eligible activities permitted by the CDBG regulations published at 24 CFR Part 570. The Contractor and all of its Subcontractors shall comply with these Federal provisions. The Contractor shall include this document in all subcontracts and ensure it is also included in all lower-tier subcontracts of the Subcontractor.

1. Davis-Bacon Act -29 CFR Parts 1, 3, 5, 6, and 7

In carrying out this Agreement, the Contractor agrees to comply with the requirements of the Davis- Bacon Act, which requires the payment of prevailing wage rates (which are determined by the U.S. Department of Labor) to all laborers and mechanics on Federal government and District of Columbia construction projects in excess of \$2,000. Construction includes alteration and/or repair, including painting and decorating, of public buildings or public works. A Davis-Bacon wage decision (or wage determination) is a listing of various construction work classifications, such as Carpenter, Electrician, Plumber and Laborer, and the minimum wage rates (and fringe benefits, where prevailing) that workers who perform work in those classifications must be paid.

2. Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act – 40 U.S.C. 327-333

The Contractor shall comply with the requirements of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act as supplemented by U.S. Department of Labor regulations 29 CFR Part 5. CWHSSA requires time and one-half pay for overtime (O/T) hours (over 40 in any workweek) worked on covered projects. The Act applies to both direct Federal contracts and indirect Federally-assisted contracts except where the assistance is solely in the nature of a loan guarantee or insurance. CWHSSA violations carry a liquidated damages penalty (\$10/day per violation). Intentional violations of CWHSSA standards can be considered for criminal prosecution. CWHSSA does not apply to construction or rehabilitation contracts that are not subject to Federal prevailing wage rates. CWHSSA applies to prime contracts greater than \$100,000 and to all subcontracts and lower-tier subcontracts or the Subcontractor.

3. Copeland "Anti-Kick Back" Act – 18 U.S.C. § 874 and 40 U.S.C. § 276c; 29 CFR Part 3

The Contractor, Subcontractor(s) and lower-tier Subcontractors shall comply with the requirements of the Copeland "Anti-Kick Back" Act as supplemented in the U.S. Department of Labor regulations 29 CFR Part 3. The Copeland Act makes it a Federal crime for anyone to require any laborer or mechanic (employed on a Federal or Federally assisted project) to kickback (i.e., give up or pay back any part of their wages. The Copeland Act requires every employer (Contractors and Subcontractors) to submit weekly payroll reports (CPRs) and

regulates permissible payroll deductions.

4. Equal Employment Opportunity – Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964; E.O. 11246

A. The Contractor will ensure that all Subcontractor(s) and lower-tier Subcontractors agree to incorporate or cause to be incorporated into any contract for professional services or construction, or modification thereof, as defined in the regulations of the Secretary of Labor at 41 CFR Part 60, which is paid for in whole or in part with funds obtained from the Federal government or borrowed on the credit of the Federal government pursuant to a grant, contract, loan insurance or guarantee or undertaken pursuant to any Federal program involving a grant, contract, loan insurance or guarantee, the following equal opportunity clause below.

B. During the performance of the contract, the Contractor, Subcontractor(s) and lower-tier Subcontractor(s) will:

1. Not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex or national origin;
2. Take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and the employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, color, religion, sex or national origin.
3. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following: employment, upgrading, demotion or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rate of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship;
4. Post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination. E.E.O. posters are included herein as Exhibit N to ensure notification of employees.
5. In all solicitations or advertisements for employees' state that all qualified applicants will receive considerations for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex or national origin;
6. Send to each labor union or representative of workers with which he/she has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice to be provided advising the said labor union or workers' representative of the E.E.O. commitments under this section, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous place available to employees and applicants for employment;
7. Comply with all provisions of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, as amended by Executive Order 11375, and with the rules regulations and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor;
8. Furnish all information and reports required by Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965 and by rules, regulations and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto, and will permit access to his books, records and accounts by the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations and orders;
9. In the event of non-compliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this contract or with any of the said rules, regulations or orders, this contract may be canceled, terminated or suspended in whole or in part and the Contractor, Subcontractor(s) and lower-tier Subcontractor(s) may be declared ineligible for further government contracts or Federally assisted construction contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and such other sanctions as may be imposed and remedies

invoked as provided in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, or by rule, regulations or order of the Secretary of Labor, or otherwise provided by law; and

10. Include paragraph B, and B1-9 in every subcontract, lower-tier subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by rules, regulations or orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to Section 204 of Executive Order 11246 of September 14, 1965, so that such provisions will be binding upon each Subcontractor or vendor. The Contractor will take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as the administering agency may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions for noncompliance: Provided, however, that in the event a Contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a Subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by the administering agency the Contractor may request the administering agency to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

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

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

E. The Contractor further agrees that it will refrain from entering into any contract or contract modification subject to Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, with a Subcontractor debarred from, or who has not demonstrated eligibility for, government contracts and Federally assisted construction contracts pursuant to the executive order and will carry out such sanctions and penalties for violation of the equal opportunity clause as may be imposed upon Contractors and Subcontractors by the City or the Secretary of Labor pursuant to Part II, Subpart D of the executive order.

F. In addition, the applicant agrees that if it fails or refuses to comply with these undertakings, the City may take any or all of the following actions: Cancel, terminate or suspend in whole or in part this grant (contract, loan insurance or guarantee) refrain from extending any further assistance to the Contractor under the CDBG program with respect to which the failure or refund occurred until satisfactory assurance of future compliance has been received from such Contractor; and refer the case to the Department of Justice for appropriate proceedings.

5. Title VI of Civil Rights Act of 1964 – 42 U.S.C. § 2000d et seq.

During the performance of this contract, the Contractor, for itself, its assignees and successors interest (hereinafter referred to as the "Contractor"), agrees as follows:

A. The Contractor, with regard to the work performed by it during the contract, shall not discriminate on the grounds of race, color, sex or national origin in the selection and retention of Subcontractors, including procurements of materials and leases of equipment. The Contractor shall not participate either directly or indirectly in the discrimination prohibited by Section 21.5 of the regulations, including employment practices.

B. In all solicitations either by competitive bidding or negotiation made by the Contractor for work to be performed under a subcontract, including procurements of materials or leases of equipment, each potential Subcontractor or supplier shall be notified by the Contractor of the Contractor's obligations under this contract and the regulations relative to nondiscrimination on the grounds of race, color, sex or national origin.

C. The Contractor shall provide all information and reports required by the regulations or directives issued pursuant thereto, and shall permit access to its books, records, accounts, their sources of information and its facilities as may be determined by the City and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to be pertinent to ascertain compliance with such regulations, orders and instructions. Where any information is required or a Contractor is in the exclusive possession of another who fails or refuses to furnish this information, the Contractor shall so certify to the City or the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, as appropriate, and shall set forth what efforts it has made to obtain the information.

D. In the event of the Contractor's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination provisions of this contract, the City or the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development shall impose such contract sanctions as it may determine to be appropriate, including, but not limited to:

1. Withholding of payments to the Contractor under the contract until the Contractor complies; and/or
2. Cancellation, termination or suspension of the contract, in whole or in part.

E. The Contractor shall include the provisions of paragraph A through E in every subcontract, including procurements of materials and leases of equipment, unless exempt by the regulations or directive issued pursuant thereto. The Contractor shall take such action with respect to any subcontract or procurement as the City or the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctions for noncompliance: Provided, however, that in the event the Contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a Subcontractor or supplier as a result of such direction, the Contractor may request the City to enter such litigation to protect the City, and in addition, the Contractor may request the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

6. Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 – 29 U.S.C. 794, 24 CFR Parts 8 and 9

A. The Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of physical or mental handicap in regard to any position for which the employee or

applicant for employment is qualified. The Contractor agrees to take affirmative action to employ, advance in employment and otherwise treat qualified handicapped individuals without discrimination based upon their physical or mental handicap in all demotion or transfer, recruitment, advertising, layoff or termination, rates of pay or other forms of compensation, and selection for training, including apprenticeship.

B. The Contractor agrees to comply with the rules, regulations and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to the Act.

C. In the event of the Contractor's non-compliance with the requirements of this clause, actions for non-compliance may be taken in accordance with the rules, regulations and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to the Act.

D. The Contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices that state the Contractor's obligation under the law to take affirmative action to employ and advance in employment qualified handicapped employees and applicants for employment, and the rights of applicants and employees. E.E.O. posters are included herein as Exhibit N to ensure notification to disabled employees.

E. The Contractor will notify each labor union or representative of workers with which it has a collective bargaining agreement or other contractual understanding, that the Contractor is bound by the terms of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and is committed to take affirmative action to employ and advance in employment physically and mentally handicapped individuals.

F. The Contractor will include the provisions of this clause in every subcontract or purchase order of \$2,500 or more unless exempted by rules, regulations or orders of the Secretary issued pursuant to Section 504 of the Act, so that such provisions will be binding upon each Subcontractor with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as the Director of the Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs may direct to enforce such provisions, including action for noncompliance.

7. Architectural Barriers Act of 1968 – 42 U.S.C. 4151, et seq; 24 CFR Parts 40 and 41

The Contractor shall comply with the Architectural Barriers Act, which requires buildings and facilities that are constructed by or on behalf of, or leased by the United States, or buildings financed, in whole or in part, by a grant or loan made by the United States to be accessible to persons with mobility impairments. The Architectural and Transportation Barriers Board (ATBCB) has coordination authority for the ABA of 1968.

8. Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1975 – 42 U.S.C. 6101, et seq; 24 CFR Part 146

The Contractor shall comply with the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, which provides that no person, on the basis of age shall be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance.

9. Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 – E.O. 11250; 42 U.S.C. 12131; 24 CFR Part 35

The Contractor shall comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, which provides that no person, on the basis of handicap, shall be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance.

10. Energy Policy and Conservation Act – Public Law 94-163, Stat. 871

The Contractor shall comply with the requirements of mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency, which are contained in the Georgia energy conservation plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act.

11. Section 109 Title I of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1974 – 42 U.S.C. 5309

The Contractor shall, as provided for in Section 109, ensure that no person in the United States shall, on the grounds of race, color, national origin, religion or sex be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity funded in whole or in part with Federal financial assistance.

12. Section 306 Clean Air Act, Section 508 Clean Water Act and EPA Regulations – 42 U.S.C. 1857(h); 33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq. as amended; 40 CFR Part 15

The Contractor shall comply with the requirements of the Federal Clean Air Act and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended. Requirements for compliance with these regulations apply to contracts, subcontracts and subgrants in amounts in excess of \$100,000.

13. Section 3 – 24 CFR Part 135

The Contractor shall comply with the purposes of Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 (12 U.S.C. 1701u) (Section 3) and ensure that employment and other economic opportunities generated by HUD-funded programs, to the greatest extent feasible, and consistent with Federal, State and local laws and regulations, be directed to low-and very-low income persons, particularly those who are recipients of government assistance for housing, and to business concerns which provide economic opportunities to low-and very low-income persons. Section 3 regulations apply only to Contractors (or Subcontractors) receiving CDBG funds in excess of \$100,000 to complete projects involving housing construction, rehabilitation or other public construction projects.

14. Certification of Non-segregated Facilities – E.O. 11246; 41 CFR Part 60-1.8

The Contractor certifies that it does not maintain or provide for its employees any segregated facility at any of its establishments, and those under its control. The Contractor certifies further that it will not maintain or provide for employment segregated facilities at any of its establishments, and it will not permit employees to perform their services at any location under its control where segregate facilities are maintained. The Contractor agrees that a breach of this certification is a violation of the Equal Opportunity Clause of the contract. As used in this certification, the term "segregated facilities" means any waiting rooms, work areas, rest rooms

and wash rooms, restaurants and other eating areas, parking lots, drinking fountains, recreation or entertainment areas, transportation and housing facilities provided for employees which are segregated by explicit directive or in fact segregated on the basis of race, color, religion or national origin because of habit, local custom or otherwise. The Contractor further agrees that (except where it has obtained identical certifications from proposed Subcontractors for specific time periods) it will obtain identical certification from proposed Subcontractors prior to the award of subcontracts exceeding \$10,000 which are not exempt from the provisions of the Equal Opportunity Clause; that it will retain such certification in its files; and that it will forward this notice to such proposed Subcontractors (except where proposed Subcontractors have submitted identical certification for specific time periods).

15. Drug-free Workplace Requirements – 41 U.S.C. 701; 24 CFR Part 21.

The Contractor shall comply with the requirements of the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988. The Contractor certifies to comply with the Drug-free workplace requirements in accordance with the Act, and with U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development regulations.

16. Minority, Women-owned, Small Business Enterprise (M/W/SBE) – 24 CFR Part 85(e)

The Contractor, and any subsequent Subcontractors, shall take affirmative steps to contract with minority, women-owned and small businesses, and labor surplus area firms. Affirmative steps shall include:

- A. Placing qualified small and minority businesses and women's business enterprises on solicitation lists;
- B. Assuring that small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises are solicited whenever they are potential sources;
- C. Dividing total requirements, when economically feasible, into smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises;
- D. Establishing delivery schedules, where the requirement permits, which encourage participation by small and minority business, and women's business enterprises;
- E. Using the services and assistance of the Small Business Administration, and the Minority Business Development Agency of the Department of Commerce; and
- F. Requiring the prime Contractor, if subcontracts are to be let, to take the affirmative steps listed in this section.

17. Copyrights and Patent Rights – 24 CFR Part 85.34 and Part 85.36(i)(8)

No reports, maps or other documents produced in whole or in part under this contract shall be the subject of an application for copyright by or on behalf of the Contractor or any

Subcontractor. The

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development reserves a royalty-free, nonexclusive and irrevocable license to reproduce, publish or otherwise use, and to authorize others to use, for Federal government purposes (a) a copyright in any work developed under a grant, subgrant or contract under a grant or subgrant; and (b) any rights of copyright to which a grantee, subgrantee or Contractor purchases ownership with grant support.

18. Audits – 24 CFR Part 85.26(b)(1)

Commercial Contractors (private for-profit, and private and governmental organizations) providing goods and services to State and local governments are not required to have a single audit performed. However, the Contractor shall maintain accounts and records, including personnel, property and financial records, adequate to identify and account for all costs pertaining to this contract and such other records as may be deemed necessary by the City to assure proper accounting for all funds applicable to this contract. These records will be made available for audit purposes to the City or any authorized representative, and will be retained consistent with Record Retention requirements stated in Section 21.

19. Conflict of Interest – 24 CFR Part 85.36 and 24 CFR Part 570.611

The Contractor shall maintain a written code or standards of conduct which shall govern the performance of their officers, employees or agents engaged in the award and administration of contracts supported with CDBG. No employee, officer or agent of the City shall participate in the selection, or in the award or administration of a contract supported with CDBG if a conflict of interest, real or apparent, would be involved. Persons covered under this section include any person who is:

- A. An employee, agent, consultant, officer or elected or appointed official of the grantee, any designated public agency or any subrecipient agency that is receiving CDBG funds from the City;
 - 1. Any member of his/her immediate family;
 - 2. His or her partner; or
 - 3. An organization which employs, or is about to employ, any of the above, has a financial or other interest in the firm selected for award.

The Contractor's officers, employees or agents shall neither solicit nor accept gratuities, favors or anything of monetary value from Contractors, potential Contractors or parties to subagreements funded with CDBG funds. To the extent permitted by the State or local law or regulations, such standards of conduct shall provide for the penalties, sanctions or other disciplinary actions for violations of such standards of by the grantee's officers, employees or agents, or Contractors or their agents.

No persons described in A through D above who exercise or have exercised any functions or responsibilities with respect to CDBG-assisted activities, or who are in a position to participate in a decision-making process or gain inside information with regard to such activities, may obtain a financial interest in any contract, or have a financial interest in any contract, subcontract or agreement with respect to the CDBG-assisted activity, or with respect to the proceeds from the CDBG-assisted activity, either for themselves or those with whom they have business or immediate family ties, during their tenure or for a period of one (1) year thereafter.

20. Records Retention – 24 CFR Part 85.42(a)-(d)

The Contractor shall comply with the CDBG records retention regulations. Financial, program, supporting, statistical and other records pertinent to this contract and the grant program shall be maintained for 4 years (24 CFR Part 570(a)(16)). However, if any litigation, claim, negotiation, audit or other action involving the records starts before the expiration of the 4 year period, the records must be retained until completion of the action and resolution of all issues which arise from it, or until the end of the 4 year period, whichever is later.

21. Records Access – 24 CFR Part 85.42(e) & (f)

The Contractor shall give access to all records, pertinent books, documents, papers or other records related to this contract to the awarding agency, the Comptroller of the United States and any of their authorized representatives in order to audit, examine, excerpt and transcribe information as needed.

III. Federal Register 2 CFR Part 200, Appendix II

FEDERALLY MANDATED PROCUREMENT CONTRACT PROVISIONS

Appendix II to 2 CFR Part 200

Contract Provisions for Non-Federal Entity Contracts Under Federal Awards

In addition to other provisions required by the Federal agency or non-Federal entity, all contracts made by the non-Federal entity under the Federal award must contain provisions covering the following, as applicable. The Contractor and all of its Subcontractors shall comply with these Federal provisions. The Contractor shall include this document in all subcontracts and ensure it is also included in all lower-tier subcontracts of the Subcontractor.

(A) Contracts for more than the simplified acquisition threshold currently set at \$150,000, which is the inflation adjusted amount determined by the Civilian Agency Acquisition Council and the Defense Acquisition Regulations Council (Councils) as authorized by 41 U.S.C. 1908, must address administrative, contractual, or legal remedies in instances where contractors violate or breach contract terms, and provide for such sanctions and penalties as appropriate.

(B) All contracts in excess of \$10,000 must address termination for cause and for convenience by the non-Federal entity including the manner by which it will be effected and the basis for settlement.

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

(D) Davis-Bacon Act, as amended (40 U.S.C. 3141-3148). When required by Federal program legislation, all prime construction contracts in excess of \$2,000 awarded by non-Federal entities must include a provision for compliance with the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. 3141-3144, and 3146- 3148) as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5, "Labor Standards Provisions Applicable to Contracts Covering Federally Financed and Assisted Construction"). In accordance with the statute, contractors must be required to pay wages to laborers and mechanics at a rate not less than the prevailing wages specified in a wage determination made by the Secretary of Labor. In addition, contractors must be required to pay wages not less than once a week. The

non-Federal entity must place a copy of the current prevailing wage determination issued by the Department of Labor in each solicitation. The decision to award a contract or subcontract must be conditioned upon the acceptance of the wage determination. The non-Federal entity must report all suspected or reported violations to the Federal awarding agency. The contracts must also include a provision for compliance with the Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act (40 U.S.C. 3145), as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 3, "Contractors and Subcontractors on Public Building or Public Work Financed in Whole or in Part by Loans or Grants from the United States"). The Act provides that each contractor or subrecipient must be prohibited from inducing, by any means, any person employed in the construction, completion, or repair of public work, to give up any part of the compensation to which he or she is otherwise entitled. The non-Federal entity must report all suspected or reported violations to the Federal awarding agency.

(E) Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 3701-3708). Where applicable, all contracts awarded by the non-Federal entity in excess of \$100,000 that involve the employment of mechanics or laborers must include a provision for compliance with 40 U.S.C. 3702 and 3704, as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5). Under 40 U.S.C. 3702 of the Act, each contractor must be required to compute the wages of every mechanic and laborer on the basis of a standard work week of 40

hours. Work in excess of the standard work week is permissible provided that the worker is compensated at a rate of not less than one and a half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of 40 hours in the work week. The requirements of 40

U.S.C. 3704 are applicable to construction work and provide that no laborer or mechanic must be required to work in surroundings or under working conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous or dangerous. These requirements do not apply to the purchases of supplies or materials or articles ordinarily available on the open market, or contracts for transportation or transmission of intelligence.

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

(G) Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q.) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1251-1387), as amended—Contracts and subgrants of amounts in excess of \$150,000 must contain a provision that requires the non-Federal award to agree to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act as amended (33 U.S.C. 1251-1387). Violations must be reported to the Federal awarding agency and the Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

(H) Debarment and Suspension (Executive Orders 12549 and 12689)—A contract award (see 2 CFR 180.220) must not be made to parties listed on the government-wide exclusions in the System for Award Management (SAM), in accordance with the OMB guidelines at 2 CFR 180 that implement Executive Orders 12549 (3 CFR part 1986 Comp., p. 189) and 12689 (3 CFR part 1989 Comp., p. 235), "Debarment and Suspension." SAM Exclusions contains the names of parties debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded by agencies, as well as parties declared ineligible under statutory or regulatory authority other than Executive Order 12549.

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

(J) See §200.322 Procurement of recovered materials.

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