State of Florida
Department of Transportation

INVITATION TO BID

GUARDRAIL AND ACCESSORIES

ITB-DOT-15/16-9011-SJ

EFFECTIVE DATES

October 30, 2015 – October 29, 2017

VENDORS

Pride Enterprises – CR7128
Cloverleaf Corporation – CR7129
Trinity Highway Products – CR7130

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BID #: ITB-DOT-15/16-9011-SJ FOB: STATEWIDE

BID TITLE: GUARDRAIL AND ACCESSORIES

BID AS SPECIFIED

These items refer to the entire end anchorage assembly:

ITEM	UNIT	PRICE	VENDOR
(1) ET 2000 LET	Each		NO AWARD
(2) FLEAT 350	Each		NO AWARD
(3) FLEAT SP	Each		NO AWARD
(4) FLEAT MT	Each		NO AWARD
(5) SKT 350	Each		NO AWARD
(6) SKT LITE	Each		NO AWARD
(7) SKT SP	Each		NO AWARD
(8) SRT 350 eight post	Each	$1,315.00	Trinity Highway
(9) ET Plus	Each		NO AWARD
(10) REGENT C	Each	$1,550.00	Trinity Highway
(11) CAT 350	Each	$2,950.00	Trinity Highway
(12) X TENSION	Each	$4,760.00	Cloverleaf Corp.
(13) X-Lite Parallel	Each	$1,680.00	Cloverleaf Corp.
(14) X-Lite Flared	Each	$1,680.00	Cloverleaf Corp.

Standard Parts:

ITEM	UNIT	PRICE	VENDOR
(15) Special End Shoe	Each	$35.00	Trinity Highway
(16) Flared End Section	Each	$30.00	Trinity Highway
(17) Reflectors	Each	$2.38	Cloverleaf Corp.
(18) W Beam Rail 12' 6"	Each	$68.00	Cloverleaf Corp.
(19) W Beam Rail 25'	Each	$140.00	Trinity Highway
(20) W Beam rail Splice	Each	$4.80	Trinity Highway
(21) Thrie Beam Rail 12' 6"	Each	$114.00	Cloverleaf Corp.

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Standard Parts:

ITEM	UNIT	PRICE	VENDOR
(22) Thrie Beam Rail 25 '	Each	$245.00	Trinity Highway
(23) Thrie Beam Rail Splice	Each	$7.20	Trinity Highway
(24) Thrie Beam Terminal	Each	$67.00	Cloverleaf Corp.
(25) Connector	Each	$55.00	Trinity Highway
(26) Rub Rail 12' 6"	Each	$62.40	Cloverleaf Corp.
(27) Timber Break-Away Post (3' 6")	Each	$15.05	Pride Enterprises
(28) Timber Break-Away Post (6')	Each	$23.80	Pride Enterprises
(29) Timber Post (6' 6")	Each	$22.83	Pride Enterprises
(30) Steel Post (6' 6")	Each	$38.00	Trinity Highway
(31) Timber Offset Block (1 hole)	Each	$4.01	Pride Enterprises
(32) Timber Offset Block (2 holes)	Each	$4.60	Pride Enterprises
(33) Recycled Plastic Block (1 hole)	Each	$3.50	Trinity Highway
(34) Recycled Plastic Block (2 holes)	Each	$8.90	Trinity Highway

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FASTENERS PRICE SHEET						
Item No	**Part No.**	**Description**	**Quantity Per Box**	**Minimum Order Quantity**	**Price Bid**	**Vendor**
35	0900SPLICE	GUARDRAIL SPLICE BOLTS 5/8" X1-1/4" W/NUT		500	$0.60	Trinity Highway
36	090003520G	BOLTS, GUARDRAIL 5/8" X 12" WITH NUTS & WASHERS		50	$2.20	Trinity Highway
37	090003400G	BOLTS, SPLICE 5/8" X 2" WITH NUTS		200	$0.90	Trinity Highway
38	090006307G	BOLT WASHER/NUT ANCHOR 7/8" X 10"		50	$6.90	Trinity Highway
39	090003320G	WASHER, 1 3/4" X 3" BEAM		100	$0.75	Trinity Highway
40	530003729G	WASHERS, STEEL GALVANIZED 7/8"		100	$0.60	Trinity Highway
41	BZ-1010G	BOLT, WASHER/NUT-OFFSET POST 5/8" X 10"	400	1	$2.09	Cloverleaf Corp.
42	090003560G	BOLT, WASHER/NUT-OFFSET POST 5/8" X 16"		100	$2.85	Trinity Highway
43	090003580G	BOLT, WASHER/NUT-OFFSET POST 5/8" X 18"		100	$2.75	Trinity Highway
44	530003910G	NUT, HEX 1"		20	$1.00	Trinity Highway
45	530004044G	NUT, HEX 1 1/4"		20	$3.75	Trinity Highway
46	090003478G	5/8" X 7-1/2" HEX BOLT W/NUT		50	$1.90	Trinity Highway
47	090003497G	5/8" X 9-1/2" HEX BOLT W/NUT		50	$2.20	Trinity Highway
48	090004228G	3/8" X 4" LAG BOLT W / WASHER		50	$1.10	Trinity Highway
49	090003660G	5/8" – 26" BOLT WITH NUT AND WASHER		50	$5.15	Trinity Highway
50	090003490G	5/8" – 9" BOLT WITH NUT AND WASHER		50	$2.15	Trinity Highway

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DELIVERY: Delivery will be made within _____ days after receipt of Purchase Order.

Is this product available with recycled content? __Yes __No

If yes, please send information separate from this Invitation to Bid (See Recycled Material Special Condition for more information).

RENEWAL: see Introduction Section #7.

THE UNIT PRICE(s) WILL APPLY TO THE INITIAL TERM AND ANY RENEWAL PERIODS.

MFMP Transaction Fee:
All payment(s) to the vendor resulting from this competitive solicitation **WILL** be subject to the 1% MFMP Transaction Fee in accordance with the attached Form PUR 1000 General Contract Condition #14.

NOTE: In submitting a response, the bidder acknowledges they have read and agree to the solicitation terms and conditions and their submission is made in conformance with those terms and conditions.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT: I certify that I have read and agree to abide by all terms and conditions of this solicitation and that I am authorized to sign for the bidder. I certify that the response submitted is made in conformance with all requirements of the solicitation.

Bidder:_____ FEID#_____

Address:_____City, State, Zip:_____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____ E-mail: _____

Authorized Signature:_____Date: _____

Printed/Typed:_____Title:_____

ORDERING INSTRUCTIONS

Bid Number: ITB-DOT-15/16-9011-SJ

Title: GUARDRAIL AND ACCESSORIES

NOTE: ALL ORDERS SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO:

FEDERAL EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (FEID): F59-2167018-209

VENDOR: PRIDE Enterprises

ADDRESS: 223 Morrison Road

CITY, STATE, ZIP: Brandon, Florida 33511

TELEPHONE: (813) 890-2133

TOLL FREE NO.: (800) FAX NO.: (727) 570-3449

DELIVERY: DELIVERY WILL BE MADE WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER RECEIPT OF PURCHASE ORDER.

PRODUCT INFORMATION: DIRECT QUESTIONS TO:

NAME & TITLE: LaWayne Crawford, Production Manager

ADDRESS: 7819 NW 228th Street

CITY, STATE, ZIP: Raiford, Florida 32026

TELEPHONE: (813) 890-6554

TOLL FREE NO.: FAX NO.: (813) 890-2116

INTERNET E-MAIL ADDRESS: lcrawford@pride-enterprises.org

INTERNET WEBSITE URL: www.pride-enterprises.org

Will you accept the State of Florida Purchasing Card (VISA)? X Yes ____No

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NOTE: ALL ORDERS SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO:

FEDERAL EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (FEID): F59-3133525-002

VENDOR: Cloverleaf Corporation

ADDRESS: P.O. Box 7268

CITY, STATE, ZIP: Sun City, Florida 33586

TELEPHONE: (813) 649-1336

TOLL FREE NO.: (888) 388-1882 FAX NO.: (813) 645-5577

DELIVERY: DELIVERY WILL BE MADE WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER RECEIPT OF PURCHASE ORDER.

PRODUCT INFORMATION: DIRECT QUESTIONS TO:

NAME & TITLE: Matthew Schindler, President

ADDRESS: P.O. Box 7268

CITY, STATE, ZIP: Sun City, Florida 33586

TELEPHONE: (813) 649-1336

TOLL FREE NO.: (888) 388-1882 FAX NO.: (813) 645-5577

INTERNET E-MAIL ADDRESS: matthew@cloverleafcorp.com

INTERNET WEBSITE URL: www.cloverleafcorp.com

Will you accept the State of Florida Purchasing Card (VISA)? X Yes ____No

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NOTE: ALL ORDERS SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO:

FEDERAL EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (FEID): F42-1642965-002

VENDOR: Trinity Highway Products, LLC

ADDRESS: 655 East Dixie Avenue

CITY, STATE, ZIP: Elizabethtown, KY 42701

TELEPHONE: (270) 769-1839

TOLL FREE NO.: (800) 282-7668 FAX NO.: (270) 234-9433

DELIVERY: DELIVERY WILL BE MADE WITHIN 25 DAYS AFTER RECEIPT OF PURCHASE ORDER.

PRODUCT INFORMATION: DIRECT QUESTIONS TO:

NAME & TITLE: Steven Wright, Sales Representative

ADDRESS: 655 East Dixie Avenue

CITY, STATE, ZIP: Elizabethtown, KY 42701

TELEPHONE: (270) 769-1839

TOLL FREE NO.: (800) 282-7668 FAX NO.: (270) 234-9433

INTERNET E-MAIL ADDRESS: steven.wright@trin.net

INTERNET WEBSITE URL: _____

Will you accept the State of Florida Purchasing Card (VISA)? X Yes ____No

INTRODUCTION SECTION

1) INVITATION

The purpose of this Invitation to Bid is to obtain competitive bids to establish a two year contract for the purchase of Guardrail and Accessories by the Department of Transportation, hereafter referred to as the "Department". The contract will become effective on the date the successful bidder(s) is approved for award and will expire two years from that date. After the award, said bidder(s) will be referred to as the "Vendor(s)".

All commodities identified in this Invitation to Bid will be subject to the availability of identical commodities as provided by mandatory Department of Management Services' State Contract(s) at such time these commodities become available. In the event of duplication(s) of commodities, the Department of Management Services' mandatory State Contract shall prevail.

2) TIMELINE

Provided below is a list of critical dates and actions. These dates are subject to change. Notices of changes (Addenda) will be posted on the Florida Vendor Bid System at www.myflorida.com (click on "BUSINESS", click on "Doing Business with the State", under "Everything for Vendors and Customers", click on "Vendor Bid System (VBS)", click on "Search Advertisements") under this bid number. It is the responsibility of all potential bidders to monitor this site for any changing information prior to submitting your bid.

ACTION / LOCATION	DATE	LOCAL TIME
DEADLINE FOR TECHNICAL QUESTIONS - (There is no deadline for administrative questions)	**09-18-2015**	**05:00 PM**
BIDS DUE (ON OR BEFORE) - Florida Department of Transportation Central Procurement Office Attn: Sherill Johnson, Procurement Agent 605 Suwannee Street, Mail Station 20 Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0450 Phone: (850) 414.4381	**10-01-2015**	**03:00 PM**
PUBLIC OPENING - Florida Department of Transportation Central Procurement Office Attn: Sherill Johnson, Procurement Agent 605 Suwannee Street, Room 439 Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0450 Phone: (850) 414.4381	**10-01-2015**	**03:00 PM**
POSTING OF INTENDED DECISION/AWARD -	**10-19-2015**	**05:00 PM**

3) BID OPENING AGENDA

The sealed bids will be opened by the Department's Procurement Office personnel at the date, time and location in the Timeline. All bid openings are open to the public and will be conducted according to the following agenda:
Opening remarks – Approximate time of 2 minutes by Department Procurement Office personnel.
Public input period – To allow a maximum of 15 minutes total for public input related to the bid solicitation.
Bids opened – At conclusion of public input or 15 minutes, whichever occurs first, bids received timely will be opened with bidder's name and prices to be read aloud.
Adjourn - After all bids received timely have been opened, the meeting will be adjourned.

4) SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS

Any person with a qualified disability requiring special accommodations at a pre-bid conference, public meeting, and/or opening shall contact the contact person at the phone number, e-mail address or fax number provided on the title page at least five (5) working days prior to the event. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact this office by using the Florida Relay Services which can be reached at 1 (800) 955-8771 (TDD).

5) CONTRACT USE

Use of the contract resulting from this bid will be optional for the Department. The Department reserves the right to solicit separate bids for any unusual or abnormal quantity requirements that may arise during the term of the contract.

6) ESTIMATED PURCHASES

It is anticipated that the Department will purchase approximately $695,000.00 under any contract resulting from this bid. This estimated amount is given only as a guideline for preparing your bid and should not be construed as representing an actual amount to be purchased under this contract. The Vendor(s) shall supply, at bid prices, the actual amounts ordered regardless of whether the total of such amounts is more or less than anticipated. This bid and the resulting contract will be subject to annual appropriated funding.

7) RENEWAL

Upon mutual agreement, the Department and the Contract Vendor may renew the contract for a period that may not exceed 3 years or the term of the original contract, whichever is longer. The renewal must be in writing and signed by both parties, and is subject to the same terms and conditions set forth in the initial contract and any written amendments signed by the parties. Any renewal shall specify the renewal price, as set forth in the solicitation response except that an agency may negotiate lower pricing. Renewal is contingent upon satisfactory performance evaluations and subject to the availability of funds.

S P E C I A L C O N D I T I O N S

1) MyFloridaMarketPlace

BIDDERS MUST BE ACTIVELY REGISTERED IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA'S MYFLORIDAMARKETPLACE SYSTEM BY THE TIME AND DATE OF THE BID OPENING OR THEY MAY BE CONSIDERED NON-RESPONSIVE (see Special Condition 21). All prospective bidders that are not registered should go to https://vendor.myfloridamarketplace.com/ to complete on-line registration, or call 1-866-352-3776 for assisted registration.

All payment(s) to the vendor resulting from this competitive solicitation **WILL** be subject to the 1% MFMP Transaction Fee in accordance with the attached Form PUR 1000 General Contract Condition #14.

2) Florida Department of Financial Services (DFS) W-9 INITIATIVE

The Florida Department of Financial Services (DFS) requires all vendors that do business with the state to submit an electronic Substitute Form W-9. Vendors must submit their W-9 forms electronically at https://flvendor.myfloridacfo.com to receive payments from the state. Contact the DFS Customer Service Desk at (850) 413-5519 or FLW9@myfloridacfo.com with any questions.

3) QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

In accordance with section 287.057(23), Florida Statutes, respondents to this solicitation or persons acting on their behalf may not contact, between the release of the solicitation and the end of the 72-hour period following the agency posting the notice of intended award, excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and state holidays, any employee or officer of the executive or legislative branch concerning any aspect of this solicitation, except in writing to the procurement officer or as provided in the solicitation documents. Violation of this provision may be grounds for rejecting a response.

Any technical questions arising from this Invitation to Bid must be forwarded, in writing, to the procurement agent identified below. Questions must be received no later than the time and date reflected on the Timeline. The Department's written response to written inquiries submitted timely by bidders will be posted on the Florida Vendor Bid System at www.myflorida.com (click on "BUSINESS", click on "Doing Business with the State", under "Everything for Vendors and Customers", click on "Vendor Bid System (VBS)", click on "Search Advertisements"), under this bid number. It is the responsibility of all potential bidders to monitor this site for any changing information prior to submitting their bid.

WRITTEN TECHNICAL QUESTIONS should be submitted to:
FDOT Procurement Office
Attn: Sherill Johnson
605 Suwannee, Street, Mail Station 20, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0450
Or sherill.johnson@dot.state.fl.us or Fax (850) 414.4951

Questions regarding administrative aspects of the bid process should be directed to the Procurement Agent in writing at the address above or by phone: (850) 414-4381

4) ORAL INSTRUCTIONS / CHANGES TO THE INVITATION TO BID (ADDENDA)

No negotiations, decisions, or actions will be initiated or executed by a bidder as a result of any oral discussions with a State employee. Only those communications which are in writing from the Department will be considered as a duly authorized expression on behalf of the Department.

Notices of changes (Addenda) will be posted on the Florida Vendor Bid System at www.myflorida.com (click on "BUSINESS", click on "Doing Business with the State", under "Everything for Vendors and Customers", click on "Vendor Bid System (VBS)", click on "Search Advertisements") under this bid number. It is the responsibility of all potential bidders to monitor this site for any changing information prior to submitting your bid. All Addenda will be acknowledged by signature and subsequent submission of Addenda with bid when so stated in the Addenda.

5) DIVERSITY ACHIEVEMENT

The Department, in accordance with ***Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 USC 2000d- 2000d-4, Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, U.S. Department of Transportation, Subtitle A, Office of the Secretary, Part 21,*** Nondiscrimination in federally-assisted programs of the Department of Transportation issued pursuant to such Act, hereby notifies all bidders that the Department will affirmatively ensure that in any contract/agreement entered into pursuant to this advertisement, minority and disadvantaged business enterprises will be afforded the full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in consideration for an award.

The Department encourages the recruitment and utilization of small, minority, women, and service-disabled veteran businesses. The Department, its vendors, suppliers, and consultants should take all necessary and reasonable steps to ensure that small, minority, women, and service-disabled veteran businesses have the opportunity to compete for and perform contract work for the Department in a nondiscriminatory environment.

6) PRICES/DELIVERY

Prices shall be firm, net, delivered prices, F.O.B. destination. See Special Condition 32 for delivery locations and charges.

Delivery must be made within thirty (30) calendar days or less upon receipt of a purchase order by the contract vendor at their designated ordering location. If more time is needed, the bidder should state the extra time required and the reasons why, in their bid response. Acceptance will be subject to the Department's approval.

7) IN-STATE PREFERENCE FOR COMMODITY BIDS

In accordance with Section 287.084, Florida Statutes, when the lowest responsible and responsive bid is submitted by a vendor whose principal place of business is located outside the state of Florida, a 5% price preference shall be awarded to the lowest responsible and responsive vendor whose principal place of business is located in the state of Florida unless the state where the out-of-state vendor is located provides a price preference for businesses having a principal place of business in that state. In that case, the same price preference shall be awarded to the lowest responsible and responsive vendor whose principal place of business is located in the state of Florida responding to this Invitation to Bid (ITB).

All bidders should complete the attached "In-State Preference Form" and submit with their bid response. A vendor whose principal place of business is located outside the state of Florida, must accompany their bid response documents with a written opinion of an attorney licensed to practice law in that foreign state, as to the preferences granted by that state to its own business entities in the letting of public contracts.

For the 5% preference, the Department will apply 5% to the bid price(s) of the lowest out of state vendor whose state does not grant a preference if that vendor has submitted the lowest responsible and responsive bid.

8) INTENDED AWARD

As the best interest of the State may require, the right is reserved to make award(s) by individual item, group of items, all or none, or a combination thereof: on a geographical district basis and / or on a statewide basis with one or more suppliers to reject any and all bids or waive any minor irregularity or technicality in bids received. When it is determined there is competition to the lowest responsible bidder, evaluation of other bids is not required. Bidders are cautioned to make no assumptions, unless their bid has been evaluated as being responsive. All awards made as a result of this bid shall conform to applicable Florida Statute. If the Department is confronted with identical pricing or scoring from multiple vendors, the Department shall determine the order of award in accordance with section 295.187(4), Florida Statutes, and Rule 60A-1.011 Florida Administrative Code.

9) PRE-BID CONFERENCE: A PRE-BID CONFERENCE WILL NOT BE HELD.

10) ALTERNATES

Alternate brands will be considered for this bid. The "Department" reserves the right to require each bidder to demonstrate to the satisfaction of the "Department" that the items/materials will perform in a completely acceptable manner. In the event the "Department" judges that the demonstrated performance is unsatisfactory, the "Department" may reject the bid. The bidder must be prepared to demonstrate the materials within fourteen (14) days after the bid opening date. Demonstration time and place is subject to agreement of the "Department" and the bidder.

Bidders submitting a bid that is based on an alternate brand of equipment must submit, with their bid, complete specifications and descriptive technical literature for the equipment proposed.

11) WARRANTY/SUBSTITUTIONS

A warranty is required on all items purchased against defective materials, workmanship, and failure to perform in accordance with required industry performance criteria, for a period of not less than ninety (90) days from the date of acceptance by the purchaser. Any deviation from this criteria must be documented in the bid response or the above statement shall prevail. Delivery of substitute commodities requires prior written approval from the ordering location.

12) REPLACEMENT/RESTOCKING

Replacement of all materials found defective within the warranty period shall be made without cost to the purchaser, including transportation if applicable. All fees associated with restocking cancelled orders shall be the responsibility of the vendor.

13) PRODUCT REQUIREMENTS/SPECIFICATIONS

Items furnished shall be standard products of the manufacturer or their suppliers, shall be new, unused, clean, and free from any defects or features affecting appearance, serviceability, or the safety of the user in normal intended use.

Any deviation from specifications indicated herein must be clearly pointed out; otherwise, it will be considered that items offered are in strict compliance with these specifications, and successful bidder will be held responsible therefore. Deviations must be explained in detail on separate attached sheet(s).

14) ACCEPTANCE

All items listed in the specifications, delivered to the Department not meeting specifications or found to be poorly manufactured will not be accepted, but returned to the vendor, at their expense, for replacement. Replacement of all items found defective shall be made without cost to the Department, including transportation, if applicable. As it may be impossible for each facility to inspect all items upon arrival, a reasonable opportunity must be given to these facilities for inspection of the items, and returning those that are defective.

15) REVIEW OF BIDDER'S FACILITIES & QUALIFICATIONS

After the bid due date and prior to contract execution, the Department reserves the right to perform or to have performed, an on-site review of the bidder's facilities and qualifications. This review will serve to verify data and representations submitted by the bidder and may be used to determine whether the bidder has adequate facilities, equipment, qualified and experienced staff, and overall management capabilities to provide the required items. The review may also serve to verify whether the bidder has financial capabilities adequate to meet the contract requirements.

Should the Department determine that the bid package has material misrepresentations or that the size or nature of the bidder's facilities, equipment, management capabilities, or the number of experienced personnel (including technical staff) are not adequate to ensure satisfactory contract performance, the Department has the right to reject the bid.

16) PROTEST OF INVITATION TO BID SPECIFICATIONS

Any person who is adversely affected by the contents of this Invitation to Bid must file the following with the Department of Transportation, Clerk of Agency Proceedings, Office of the General Counsel, 605 Suwannee Street, Mail Station 58, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0450:

1. A written notice of protest within seventy-two (72) hours after the posting of the solicitation, (the notice of protest may be Faxed to 850-414-5264), and

2. A formal written protest in compliance with Section 120.57(3), Florida Statutes, within ten (10) days of the date on which the written notice of protest is filed.

Failure to file a protest within the time prescribed in section 120.57(3), Florida Statutes, or failure to post the bond or other security required by law within the time allowed for filing a bond shall constitute a waiver of proceedings under Chapter 120, Florida Statutes.

17) UNAUTHORIZED ALIENS

The employment of unauthorized aliens by any contractor is considered a violation of Section 274A(e) of the Immigration and Nationality Act. If the contractor knowingly employs unauthorized aliens, such violation shall be cause for unilateral cancellation of the contract.

18) SCRUTINIZED COMPANIES LISTS

Section 287.135, Florida Statutes, requires that at the time a company submits a bid or proposal for a contract for goods or services of $1 million or more, the company must certify that the company is not on either the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List. Both lists are created pursuant to section 215.473, Florida Statutes.

Bid responses of $1 million or more must include the attached ***Scrutinized Companies Lists*** Form to certify the respondent is not on either of those lists.

19) RESERVATIONS

The Department reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids received and reserves the right to make an award without further discussion of the bids submitted. Therefore, the bidder should make sure that the bid package submitted is complete and accurate and submitted to ensure delivery on or before the bid opening time and date specified in this solicitation. It is understood that the bid will become a part of the Department's official file, without obligation to the Department.

20) ADDITIONAL TERMS & CONDITIONS

No conditions may be applied to any aspect of the ITB by the bidder. Any conditions placed on any aspect of the bid documents by the bidder may result in the bid being rejected as a conditional bid (see “RESPONSIVENESS OF BIDS”). **DO NOT WRITE IN CHANGES ON ANY ITB SHEET.** The only recognized changes to the ITB prior to bid opening will be a written Addenda issued by the Department.

21) RESPONSIVENESS OF BIDS

Bids will not be considered if not received by the Department **on or before** the date and time specified as the due date for submission. All bids must be typed or printed in ink. A responsive bid is an offer to provide the items specified in this Invitation to Bid in accordance with all requirements of this Invitation to Bid. Bids found to be non-responsive will not be considered. Bids may be rejected if found to be irregular or not in conformance with the specifications and instructions herein contained. A bid may be found to be irregular or non-responsive by reasons that include, but are not limited to, failure to utilize or complete prescribed forms, modifying the bid specifications, submitting conditional bids or incomplete bids, submitting indefinite or ambiguous bids, or executing forms or the bid sheet with improper and/or undated signatures. Other conditions which may cause rejection of bids include, evidence of collusion among bidders, obvious lack of experience or expertise to provide the required items, and failure to perform or meet financial obligations on previous contracts.

22) REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

The bidder must use the attached Bid Sheet to submit its bid. The Bid Sheet must be signed and dated in ink by a representative who is authorized to contractually bind the bidder. All bid sheets and other documentation submitted in response to this solicitation must be executed and submitted in a sealed envelope. **Indicate the bid number, with the time and date of the bid opening, on the envelope used to return the bid.**

23) "DRUG-FREE WORK PLACE" PREFERENCE

Whenever two or more bids which are equal with respect to price, quality, and service are received, the Department shall determine the order of award in accordance with section 295.187(4), Florida Statutes, and Rule 60A-1.011 Florida Administrative Code, which includes a preference for bid responses that certify the business has implemented a drug-free workplace program in accordance with Section 287.087, F.S. The "Drug-Free Workplace Program Certification" must be completed and submitted with the bid response to be eligible for this preference.

24) COPYRIGHTED MATERIAL

Copyrighted material will be accepted as part of a bid only if accompanied by a waiver that will allow the Department to make paper and electronic copies necessary for the use of Department staff and agents. It is noted that copyrighted material is not exempt from the Public Records Law, Chapter 119, Florida Statutes. Therefore, such material will be subject to viewing by the public, but copies of the material will not be provided to the public.

25) ATTACHMENT TO ITB SUBMITTAL - CONFIDENTIAL MATERIAL

The Bidder must include any materials it asserts to be exempted from public disclosure under Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, in a separate bound document labeled "Attachment to Invitation to Bid, Number ITB-DOT-15/16-9011-SJ- Confidential Material". The Bidder must identify the specific Statute that authorizes exemption from the Public Records Law. Any claim of confidentiality on materials the Bidder asserts to be exempt from public disclosure and placed elsewhere in the bid will be considered waived by the Bidder upon submission, effective after opening.

26) MAIL OR DELIVER BIDS TO: (DO NOT FAX)

Florida Department of Transportation
Central Procurement Office
Attn: Sherill Johnson, Procurement Office
605 Suwannee Street, Mail Station 20
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0450
Phone: (850) 414.4381

It is the bidder's responsibility to assure that the bid is delivered to the proper place **on or before** the Bid Due date and time (See Introduction Section 2, Timeline). Bids which for any reason are not so delivered will not be considered.

27) MODIFICATIONS, RESUBMITTAL AND WITHDRAWAL

Bidders may modify submitted bids at any time prior to the bid due date. Requests for modification of a submitted bid shall be in writing and must be signed by an authorized signatory of the bidder. Upon receipt and acceptance of such a request, the entire bid will be returned to the bidder and not considered unless resubmitted by the due date and time. Bidders may also send a change in a sealed envelope to be opened at the same time as the bid. The ITB number, opening date and time should appear on the envelope of the modified bid.

28) POSTING OF INTENDED DECISION/AWARD

28.1 - General:

The Department's decision will be posted on the Florida Vendor Bid System at www.myflorida.com, (click on "BUSINESS", click on "Doing Business with the State", under "Everything for Vendors and Customers", click on "Vendor Bid System (VBS)", on date and time in the Timeline, and will remain posted for a period of seventy-two (72) hours. Any bidder who is adversely affected by the Department's recommended award or intended decision must file the following with the Department of Transportation, Clerk of Agency Proceedings, Office of the General Counsel, 605 Suwannee Street, Mail Station 58, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0450:

1. A written notice of protest within seventy-two (72) hours after posting of the Intended Award, (the notice of protest may be Faxed to 850-414-5264), and

2. A formal written protest and protest bond in compliance with Section 120.57(3), Florida Statutes, within ten (10) days of the date on which the written notice of protest is filed. At the time of filing the formal written protest, a bond (a cashier's check or money order may be accepted) payable to the Department must also be submitted in an amount equal to one percent (1%) of the estimated contract amount based on the contract price submitted by the protestor.

Failure to file a protest within the time prescribed in Section 120.57(3), Florida Statutes, or failure to post the bond or other security required by law within the time allowed for filing a bond shall constitute a waiver of proceedings under Chapter 120, Florida Statutes.

28.2 - Inability to Post:

If the Department is unable to post as defined above, the Department will notify all bidders by electronic notification on the Florida Vendor Bid System (see special condition 28.1, above) or by mail, fax, and/or telephone. The Department will provide notification of any future posting in a timely manner.

28.3 - Request to Withdraw Bid:

Requests for withdrawal will be considered if received by the Department, in writing, within seventy-two (72) hours after the bid opening time and date. Requests received in accordance with this provision will be granted by the Department upon proof of the impossibility to perform based upon obvious error on the part of the bidder. Bidders that do not withdraw as stated above will forfeit their bid bond, if applicable.

29) RECYCLED MATERIAL

The Department encourages the use of products and materials with recycled content and post-consumer recovered materials. If the item(s) specified in the Technical Specification is available with recycled content, we request that you provide product information to help in our search for recycled products. However, this bid request is for the product as specified herein and does not require prices for recycled product. This information should be sent as part of your bid response or may be sent separately.

30) PRICE ADJUSTMENTS

The Department may, in its sole discretion, make an equitable adjustment in the Contract terms and/or pricing if pricing or availability of supply is affected by extreme and unforeseen volatility in the marketplace, that is, by circumstances that satisfy all the following criteria: (1) the volatility is due to

causes wholly beyond the Vendor's control, (2) the volatility affects the marketplace or industry, not just the particular Contract source of supply, (3) the effect on pricing or availability of supply is substantial, and (4) the volatility so affects the Vendor that continued performance of the Contract would result in a substantial loss. The Vendor shall provide thirty (30) days written notice to the Department and written approval from the Department is required. Documentation of cost adjustments shall be provided by the Vendor to the Department.

31) DELIVERY LOCATION(S)

Delivery must be made within thirty (30) calendar days or less upon receipt of a purchase order by the contract supplier at his designated ordering location. If more time is needed the bidder should state the extra time required and the reasons why in the bid. Acceptance will be subject to "DOT" approval.

The 'DOT' reserves the right to order on an as needed basis.

Items shipped shall have shipping paid by the Vendor and actual charges added to the invoices as a separate item. The contract vendor shall use the most economical and efficient method of shipping based on order size, delivery location, and buyer's choice of carrier.

Note: Fasteners shall be bid with delivery charge included on the separate price sheet included. Fasteners shall be bid for statewide delivery. Bidder must specify minimum order quantity.

32) CANCELLATION

All contract obligations shall prevail for at least one hundred and eighty (180) days after the effective date of the contract. For the protection of both parties, this contract may be cancelled in whole or in part after one hundred and eighty (180) days by either party giving thirty (30) days prior written notice to the other contract party. The contract may, also, be cancelled by the Department for nonperformance (default) in accordance with Rule 60A-1.006(3), F.A.C.

33) ORDERING INSTRUCTIONS

Manufacturers are encouraged to bid direct naming dealers who will accept orders and complete deliveries. Bidders must include complete ordering instructions, including FEDERAL EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (FEID), for invoicing dealers, with the bid on a separate sheet.

34) ORDER QUANTITIES

The Department will, at its discretion, place orders with the Vendor(s) for various quantities of the items, as needed, during the contract period. Bidders are encouraged to identify the standard packaging quantity and minimum order quantity acceptable for each item or group of items bid. Excessive minimum order quantities will not be accepted.

35) OPEN PURCHASE ORDERS

The Department may, at its discretion, establish an open (estimated quantity) purchase order with the contract vendor(s) to facilitate the purchasing of materials. The purchase of materials may be placed by; (1) written purchase order, (2) telephone orders by authorized Department personnel, or (3) an itemized order in writing. The Department will supply the contract vendor(s) with a list of personnel authorized to order. Delivery of items on these open purchase orders shall not exceed the contract effective period.

36) INVOICING

Invoices must match units specified on the Purchase Order.

37) FORMS

The Bidder must complete all required items below and submit them as part of the Bid package. Any Bid in which these forms are not used or in which these forms are improperly executed may be considered non-responsive and the bid may be subject to rejection.

Bid Sheet
Drug-Free Workplace Program Certification (if applicable)
In-State Preference
Scrutinized Companies Lists (bids of $1 million or more)
Certification of Recycled Content (if applicable)
Ordering Instructions
Exhibit "B" Quality Control Plan

38) TERMS AND CONDITIONS

All responses are subject to the terms and conditions of this solicitation, which, in case of conflict, shall have the following order of precedence listed:

Special Conditions
Technical Specification
Bid Sheet
Purchase Order Terms and Conditions
Instructions to Respondents (PUR 1001)
General Conditions (PUR 1000)
Introduction Section

39) ATTACHED FORMS PUR 1000, GENERAL CONTRACT CONDITIONS AND PUR 1001, GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS TO RESPONDENTS

These are standard forms that the Department is required to include in all formal solicitations. The following paragraphs do not apply to this Invitation to Bid:

Paragraph 31, Dispute Resolution - PUR 1000
Paragraph 3, Electronic Submission – PUR 1001
Paragraph 4, Terms and Conditions – PUR 1001
Paragraph 5, Questions – PUR 1001

40) E-VERIFY

Vendors/Contractors:

1. shall utilize the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's E-Verify system to verify the employment eligibility of all new employees hired by the Vendor/Contractor during the term of the contract; and

2. shall expressly require any subcontractors performing work or providing services pursuant to the state contract to likewise utilize the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's E-Verify system to verify the employment eligibility of all new employees hired by the subcontractor during the contract term.

41) INSPECTOR GENERAL

The contractor/consultant/vendor agrees to comply with s.20.055(5), Florida Statutes, and to incorporate in all subcontracts the obligation to comply with s.20.055(5), Florida Statutes.

42) SAMPLES & TESTING

Samples should not be sent in with the bid but shall be submitted by the proposed awarded vendor within two (2) weeks after notification. Samples shall be sent to the address listed below to be tested for compliance with the bid specifications. Failure to provide these samples within this time period or the submission of samples not meeting the exact specifications shall be cause for rejection and the next lowest bidder contacted. Samples must be submitted at no additional cost to the Department and will be retained for use as quality assurance standards and as models for acceptance inspection.

43) APPROVED PRODUCTS

Approved Products List (APL) is published by the Department of Transportation and maintained by the State Specifications Office as an assurance to contractors, consultants, designers and the department that certain products and materials have a basic approval generally subject to additional testing of individual lots, batches or shipments to construction projects or against maintenance purchases. The APL is available on the World Wide Web at
http://www.dot.state.fl.us/statespecificationsoffice/quality/procuts/index.shtm

44) QUALITY CONTROL PLAN

All producers/fabricators of guardrail are required to have an approved quality control plan in accordance with FDOT specifications and be listed on the State Materials Office list of approved metal producers, which can be accessed on their website. Questions concerning the quality control plan should be directed to: Steven M Duke, CPM, Inspection Services Manager (Structural Steel, Coatings, and Timber), State Materials Office, 5007 NE 39th Ave., Gainesville, FL 32609, Office (352) 955-6682.

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TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

All materials bid must be in accordance with the State of Florida Department of Transportation Design Standards, 2015 index 400 series and be approved on the Department's Approved Products List (APL). All materials bid shall meet or exceed Florida Department of Transportation Specifications as outlined below. Any deviation from specifications indicated herein must be clearly pointed out; otherwise, it will be considered that items offered are in strict compliance with these specifications, and the successful bidder will be held responsible therefore. Deviations must be explained in detail on separate attached sheets.

Florida Department of Transportation Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction
Section 536 Guardrail

ATTACHMENT A
MAINTENANCE YARDS

District 1

Arcadia Operations
PO Box 511
1190 W. Oak Street
Arcadia, FL 34265
(863) 993-4634

Bartow Operations
2740 State Road 60 W
Bartow, FL 33830
(863) 519-4300

Fort Myers Operations
2981 NE Pine Island Rd
Cape Coral FL 33909
(941) 656-7800

LaBelle Operations
880 West Cowboy Way
LaBelle, FL 33935
(863) 674-4027

Okeechobee Operations
500 NW 9th St
Okeechobee, FL 34972
(863) 462-5250

Sarasota Operations
1840 61st Street
Sarasota, FL 34243
(941) 359-7300

Sebring Operations
4722 Kenilworth Blvd
Sebring, FL 33870
(863) 386-6104

District 2

Chiefland Maintenance
1820 S Young Blvd
Chiefland, FL 32626
(352) 493-6075

Gainesville Maintenance
5301 NE 39 Avenue
Gainesville, FL 32609
(352) 381-4300

Lake City Maintenance
710 NW Lake Jeffrey Rd
PO Box 1415
Lake City, FL 32056-1415
(386) 961-7180

Jacksonville Maintenance
838 Ellis Road, MS 2801
Jacksonville, FL 32235
(904) 360-5200

Perry Maintenance
657 Plantation Road
Perry, FL 32348
(850) 838-5800

St Augustine Maintenance
3600 DOT Rd
St Augustine, FL 32084
(904) 825-5036

District 3

Ponce De Leon Operations
1723 Sunrise Circle
Ponce De Leon, FL 32455
(850) 836-5700

Marianna Maintenance
2956 Correctional Rd
Marianna, FL 32448
(850) 482-9546

Midway Maintenance
17 Commerce Boulevard
Midway, FL 32343
(850) 922-7900

Panama City Maintenance
3633 Highway 390
Panama City, FL 32405
(850) 767-4990

Milton Operations
6025 Old Bagdad Highway
Milton, FL 32583
(850) 482-9546

District 4

Broward Operations
5548 NW 9 Avenue
Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33309
(954) 776-4300

Treasure Coast Operations
3601 Oleander Avenue
Ft. Pierce, FL 34982
(772) 465-7396

Palm Beach Operations
7900 Forest Hill Blvd
W. Palm Beach, FL 33413
(561) 370-4966

District 5

Brevard Operations
555 Camp Road
Cocoa, FL 32927
(321) 690-3250

DeLand Operations
1650 N Kepler Road
DeLand, FL 32724
(904) 740-3400

Leesburg Operations
1405 Thomas Avenue
Leesburg, FL 32748-5603
(352) 315-3100

Ocala Operations
627 NW 30th Avenue
Ocala, FL 32675
(352) 732-1338

Orlando Maintenance
420 W Landstreet Road
Orlando, FL 32824
(407) 858-5900

Oviedo Maintenance
2400 Camp Road
Oviedo, FL 32765
(407) 977-6530

District 6

North Dade Maintenance
1773 NE 205th Street
N. Miami Beach, FL 33179
(305) 654-7163

South Dade Maintenance
14655 SW 122 Avenue
Miami, FL 33186
(305) 640-7200

District 7

Brooksville Maintenance
16411 Springhill Drive
Brooksville, FL 34609-8167
(352) 797-5700

Pinellas Maintenance
5211 Ulmerton Road
Clearwater, FL 33760
(727) 570-5101

Tampa Maintenance
2820 Leslie Road
Tampa, FL 33619
(813) 744-6038

Turnpike

Pompano Maintenance Office
Pompano Service Plaza
Mile Post 65
Pompano Beach, FL 33069
(954) 975-4855

Central Office

State Materials & Research
5007 NE 39th Avenue
MS 2401
Gainesville, FL 32609
(352) 955-6600

WAREHOUSES

DISTRICT I

Bartow Warehouse
2740 State Road 60 W
Bartow, Florida 33830
(863)519-4328

Ft. Myers Warehouse
Post Office Box 810
Ft. Myers, Florida 33902
2981 NE Pine Island Road
Cape Coral, Florida 33935
(239)656-7819

LaBelle Warehouse
Post Office Box 267
880 West Cowboy Way
LaBelle, Florida 33935
(863)674-4027

Sarasota Warehouse
1840 61st Street
Sarasota, Florida 34243
(941)359-7316

Arcadia Warehouse
Post Office Box 511
1190 W. Oak Street
Arcadia, Florida 34265
(863)993-4634

DISTRICT II

Gainesville Warehouse
5301 NE 39th Avenue
Gainesville, Florida 32609
(352)381-4340

Lake City Warehouse
Post Office Box 1415
710 NW Lake Jeffrey Rd Ste 101
Lake City, Florida 32056-1415
(386)961-7138

Perry Warehouse
Post Office Box 5
657 Plantation Road
Perry, Florida 32348
(850)838-5800

St. Augustine Warehouse
Post Office Box 9024,
32085-9024
3600 DOT Road, 32095
St. Augustine, Florida
(904)825-5036

Chiefland Warehouse
1820 S Young Blvd
Chiefland, Florida 32626
(352)493-6087

DISTRICT III

Milton Warehouse
6025 Old Bagdad Hwy
Milton, Florida 32583
(850)981-3000

Midway Warehouse
17 Commerce Blvd
Midway, Florida 32343-6601
(850)922-1973

DISTRICT IV

Treasure Coast Warehouse
3601 Oleander Avenue
Ft. Pierce, Florida 33450
(772)465-7396

Broward Warehouse
5548 NW 9th Avenue
Ft. Lauderdale, Florida 33309
(954)776-4300

Palm Beach Warehouse
7900 Forest Hill Blvd
West Palm Beach, Florida
33413
(561)432-1196

DISTRICT V

Brevard Operations
555 Camp Road
Cocoa, Florida 32927
(321)690-3250

Deland Warehouse
1650 N Kepler Road
Deland, Florida 32724
(386)740-3432

Leesburg Warehouse
550 S 14th Street
Leesburg, Florida 32748-
5603
(352)360-6745

Oviedo Warehouse
2400 Camp Road
Oviedo, Florida 32765
(407)977-6530

Orlando Warehouse
420 W Landstreet Road
Orlando, Florida 32824
(407)858-6127

Ocala Operations
627 NW 30th Avenue
Ocala, Florida 34475
(352)732-7485

DISTRICT VI

South Dade Warehouse
14655 SW 122 Avenue
Miami, Florida 33166
(305)640-7200

North Dade Warehouse
1773 NE 205 Terrace
N Miami Beach, Florida 33179
(305)640-7197

DISTRICT VII

Tampa Warehouse
2820 Leslie Road MS 7-1250
Tampa, Florida 33619
(813)744-6038

Brooksville Warehouse
16411 Springhill Drive MS 7-1260
Brooksville, Florida 34609
(352)797-5700

MFMP Purchase Order
Terms & Conditions
Effective May, 30, 2015

Section 1. Introduction.

A. Composition of Agreement and Priority.

The Agency contracts with Vendor to furnish, within the manner and at the location specified, certain services, information and items as specified in the completed Purchase Order, and attachments which are integral parts of this Purchase Order. The Purchase Order Terms and Conditions, whether generic or specific, shall take precedence over and supersede any inconsistent or conflicting provision in the State of Florida, General Contract Conditions, PUR1000. Additionally, the terms of this Purchase Order supersede the terms of any and all prior agreements with respect to this purchase.

B. Initial Term.

Unless otherwise specified, this Purchase Order begins on the date of issuance. Services to be rendered by the Vendor shall be completed by the date specified on the Purchase Order End Date.

Section 2. Performance.

A. Performance Standards.

The Vendor agrees to perform all tasks and provide deliverables as set forth in the Statement of Work and contractual documents attached to the Purchase Order. The Agency shall be entitled at all times to be advised, at its request, as to the status of work being done by the Vendor and of the details thereof. Coordination shall be maintained by the Vendor with representatives of the Agency, or of other agencies interested in the project on behalf of the Agency.

B. Performance Deficiency.

If the Agency determines that the performance of the Vendor is unsatisfactory, the Agency will notify the Vendor of the deficiency to be corrected, which correction shall be made within a time-frame specified by the Agency. The Vendor shall, within the time specified in the contractual documents after notice from the Agency, provide the Agency with a corrective action plan describing how the Vendor will address all issues of contract non-performance, unacceptable performance, and failure to meet the minimum performance levels, deliverable deficiencies, or contract non-compliance. If the corrective action plan is unacceptable to the Agency, the Vendor may be assessed a non-performance retainage equivalent to 10% of the total invoice amount or as specified in the contractual documents. The retainage will be applied to the invoice for the then-current billing period. The retainage will be withheld until the Vendor resolves the deficiency. If the deficiency is subsequently resolved, the Vendor may bill the Agency for the retained amount during the next billing period. If the Vendor is unable to resolve the deficiency, the funds retained may be forfeited at the end of the agreement period.

Section 3. Payment and Fees.

A. Payment Invoicing.

The Vendor will be paid upon submission of properly certified invoice(s) to the Agency after delivery and acceptance of commodities or services is confirmed in writing by the Agency. Invoices shall contain detail sufficient for a proper pre-audit and post audit thereof and shall contain the Purchase Order and the Vendor's Federal Employer Identification Number or Social Security Number.

B. Payment Timeframe.

Section 215.422, F.S., provides that agencies have 5 (five) working days to inspect and approve commodities and services. Items may be tested for compliance with specifications. Items delivered not conforming to specifications may be rejected and returned at Vendor's expense. Any increase in cost will be charged against the Vendor. Interest penalties for late payment are also provided for in Section 215.422, F.S. A Vendor Ombudsman, whose duties include acting as an advocate for Vendors who may be experiencing problems in obtaining timely payment(s) from an Agency may be contacted at 850-413-5516 or by calling the State Comptroller's Hotline, 1-800-848-3792.

C. MyFloridaMarketPlace Fees.

The State of Florida, through the Department of Management Services, has instituted MyFloridaMarketPlace, a statewide eProcurement system. Pursuant to Section 287.057, F.S., all payments shall be assessed a transaction fee of one percent (1%), which the Vendor shall pay to the State. For payments within the State accounting system (FLAIR or its successor), the transaction fee shall, when possible, be automatically deducted from payments to the Vendor. If automatic deduction is not possible, the Vendor shall pay the transaction fee pursuant to Rule 60A-1.031, Florida Administrative Code. By submission of these reports and corresponding payments, Vendor certifies their correctness. All such reports and payments shall be subject to audit by the State or its designee. The Vendor shall receive a credit for any transaction fee paid by the Vendor for the purchase of any item(s) if such item(s) are returned to the Vendor through no fault, act, or omission of the Vendor. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a transaction fee is non-refundable when an item is rejected or returned, or declined, due to the Vendor's failure to perform or comply with specifications or requirements of the Purchasing Order. Failure to comply with these requirements shall constitute grounds for declaring the Vendor in default and recovering re-procurement costs from the Vendor in addition to all outstanding fees. Vendors delinquent in paying transaction fees may be excluded from conducting future business with the State.

D. Payment Audit.

Records of costs incurred under terms of this Purchase Order shall be maintained and made available upon request to the Agency at all times during the period of this Purchase Order. Copies of these documents and records shall be furnished to the Agency upon request. Records of costs incurred shall include the Vendor's general accounting records and the project records, together with supporting documents and records of the Vendor and all subcontractors performing work on the project, and all other records of the Vendor and subcontractors considered necessary by the Agency for a proper audit of project costs.

E. Annual Appropriation.
Pursuant to section 287.0582, F.S., if this purchase order binds the State or an executive agency for the purchase of services or tangible personal property for a period in excess of one (1) fiscal year, the State of Florida's performance and obligation to pay under this contract is contingent upon an annual appropriation by the Legislature. Travel expenses are not reimbursable unless specifically authorized in writing, and shall be reimbursed only in accordance with section 112.061, F.S.

Section 4. Liability.

A. Indemnity.
To the extent permitted by Florida law, Vendor agrees to indemnify, defend, and hold the State of Florida, its officers, employees and agents harmless from all fines, claims, assessments, suits, judgments, or damages, consequential or otherwise, including court costs and attorney's fees, arising out of any acts, actions, breaches, neglect or omissions of Vendor, its employees, agents, subcontractors, assignees or delegates related to this Purchase Order, as well as for any determination arising out of or related to this Purchase Order, that Vendor or Vendor's employees, agents, subcontractors, assignees or delegates are not independent contractors in relation to the Agency. This Purchase Order does not constitute a waiver of sovereign immunity or consent by the Agency or the State of Florida or its subdivisions to suit by third parties.

B. Payment for Claims.
The Vendor guarantees the payment of all just claims for materials, supplies, tools, or labor and other just claims against the Vendor or any subcontractor, assignee or delegate in connection with the Purchase Order.

C. Liability Insurance.
The Vendor shall maintain insurance sufficient to adequately protect the Agency from any and all liability and property damage/hazards which may result from the performance of this Purchase Order. All insurance shall be with insurers qualified and duly licensed to transact business in the State of Florida. If required by the Agency and prior to commencing any work Vendor shall provide a Certification(s) of Insurance evidencing that all appropriate coverage is in full force and showing the Agency to be an additional insured.

D. Workers' Compensation.
The Vendor shall maintain Workers' Compensation insurance as required under the Florida Workers' Compensation Law.

E. Performance Bond.
Unless otherwise prohibited by law, the Agency may require the Vendor to furnish, without additional cost to the Agency, a performance bond or irrevocable letter of credit or other form of security for the satisfactory performance of work hereunder. The Agency shall determine the type and amount of security.

Section 5. Compliance with Laws.

A. Conduct of Business.

The Vendor shall comply with all laws, rules, codes, ordinances, and licensing requirements that are applicable to the conduct of its business, including those of federal, state, and local agencies having jurisdiction and authority. For example, the Vendor shall comply with Section 247A of the Immigration and Nationality Act, the Americans with Disabilities Act, Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act, and all prohibitions against discrimination on the basis of race, religion, sex, creed, national origin, handicap, marital status, or veteran's status.

Pursuant to Section 287.058(1), F.S., the provisions of Section 287.058(1)(a)-(c), and (i), F.S., are hereby incorporated by reference, to the extent applicable.

B. Lobbying.

Pursuant to Sections 11.062 and 216.347, F.S., the Vendor may not expend any State funds for the purpose of lobbying the Legislature, the judicial branch, or an Agency.

C. Gratuities

Vendor shall not, in connection with this or any other agreement with the State, directly or indirectly (1) offer, confer, or agree to confer any pecuniary benefit on anyone as consideration for any State officer or employee's decision, opinion, recommendation, vote, other exercise of discretion, or violation of a known legal duty, or (2) offer, give, or agree to give to anyone any gratuity for the benefit of, or at the direction or request of, any State officer or employee. For purposes of clause (2), "gratuity" means any payment of more than nominal monetary value in the form of cash, travel, entertainment, gifts, meals, lodging, loans, subscriptions, advances, deposits of money, services, employment, or contracts of any kind. Upon request of the Inspector General or any other authorized State official, the Vendor shall provide any type of information the Inspector General deems relevant to the Vendor's integrity or responsibility. Such information may include, but shall not be limited to, the Vendor's business or financial records, documents, or files of any type or form that refer to or relate to the Purchase Order. The Vendor shall retain such records for the longer of (1) three years after the expiration of the Purchase Order or (2) the period required by the General Records Schedules maintained by the Florida Department of State (available at: http://dos.myflorida.com/library-archives/records-management/general-records-schedules/). The Vendor agrees to reimburse the State for the reasonable costs of investigation incurred by the Inspector General or other authorized State official for investigations of the Vendor's compliance with the terms of this or any other agreement between the Vendor and the State which results in the suspension or debarment of the Vendor. Such costs shall include, but shall not be limited to: salaries of investigators, including overtime; travel and lodging expenses; and expert witness and documentary fees. The Vendor shall not be responsible for any costs of investigations that do not result in the Vendor's suspension or debarment.

D. Public Records.

To the extent required by the Florida Public Records Act, Chapter 119, F.S., Vendor shall maintain and allow access to public records made or received in conjunction with this Purchase Order. This Purchase Order may be unilaterally cancelled by the Agency for Vendor's refusal to allow access to public records.

E. Communications and Confidentiality.
The Vendor agrees that it shall make no statements, press releases, or publicity releases concerning this Purchase Order or its subject matter or otherwise disclose or permit to be disclosed any of the data or other information obtained or furnished in compliance with this Purchase Order, or any particulars thereof, during the period of the Purchase Order, without first notifying the Agency's Contract Manager or the Agency's designated contact person and securing prior written consent. Vendor shall maintain confidentiality of all confidential data, files, and records related to the services and/or commodities provided pursuant to this Purchase Order and shall comply with all state and federal laws, including, but not limited to Sections 381.004, 384.29, 392.65, and 456.057, F.S. Vendor's confidentiality procedures shall be consistent with the most recent version of the Agency's security policies, protocols, and procedures. The Vendor shall also comply with any applicable professional standards with respect to confidentiality of information.

F. Intellectual Property.
Unless specifically addressed in the Purchase Order, intellectual property rights to all property created or otherwise developed by Vendor for the Agency will be owned by the State of Florida through the Agency at the completion of the Purchase Order. Proceeds to any Agency derived from the sale, licensing, marketing or other authorization related to any such Agency-controlled intellectual property right shall be handled in the manner specified by applicable state statute.

G. Convicted Vendors.
In accordance with Sections 287.133 and 287.134, F.S., an entity or affiliate who is on the Convicted Vendor List or the Discriminatory Vendor List may not perform work as a contractor, supplier, sub-contractor, or consultant under a Purchase Order with any Agency.

H. Competitive Advantage.
Section 287.057, Florida Statutes, provides, "A person who receives a contract that has not been procured pursuant to subsections (1)-(3) to perform a feasibility study of the potential implementation of a subsequent contract, who participates in the drafting of a solicitation or who develops a program for future implementation, is not eligible to contract with the Agency for any other contracts dealing with that specific subject matter, and any firm in which such person has any interest is not eligible to receive such contract. However, this prohibition does not prevent a Vendor who responds to a request for information from being eligible to contract with an Agency." The Agency considers participation through decision, approval, disapproval, recommendation, preparation of any part of a purchase request, influencing the content of any specification or procurement standard, rendering of advice, investigation, or auditing or any other advisory capacity to constitute participation in the drafting of a competitive solicitation.

Section 6. Termination.

A. Termination for Convenience.
This Purchase Order may be terminated by the Agency in whole or in part at any time in the best interest of the Agency. If the Purchase Order is terminated before performance is completed, the Vendor shall be paid only for that work satisfactorily performed for which costs can be substantiated. Such payment, however, may not exceed an amount which is the same percentage of the agreement price as the amount of work satisfactorily completed is a percentage of the total work called for by this Purchase Order. All work in progress shall become the property of the Agency and shall be turned over promptly by the Vendor.

B. Termination for Cause.
If the Agency determines that the performance of the Vendor is not satisfactory, the Agency shall have the option of (a) immediately terminating the Purchase Order, or (b) notifying the Vendor of the deficiency with a requirement that the deficiency be corrected within a specified time, otherwise the Purchase Order will be terminated at the end of such time, or (c) take other action deemed appropriate by the Agency.

Section 7. Subcontractors and Assignments.

A. Subcontractors.
The Vendor shall not subcontract any work under this Purchase Order without the prior written consent of the Agency. The Vendor is fully responsible for satisfactory completion of all subcontracted work.

B. Assignment.
The Vendor shall not sell, assign or transfer any of its rights, duties or obligations under the Purchase Order without the prior written consent of the Agency. In the event of any assignment, the Vendor remains secondarily liable for performance of the Purchase Order, unless the Agency expressly waives such secondary liability. The Agency may assign the Purchase Order with prior written notice to Vendor.

Section 7. RESPECT and PRIDE.

C. RESPECT.
In accordance with Section 413.036(3), F.S., if a product or service required for the performance of this Purchase Order is on the procurement list established pursuant to subsection 413.035(2), F.S., the following statement applies:
IT IS EXPRESSLY UNDERSTOOD AND AGREED THAT ANY ARTICLES THAT ARE THE SUBJECT OF, OR REQUIRED TO CARRY OUT, THIS CONTRACT SHALL BE PURCHASED FROM A NONPROFIT AGENCY FOR THE BLIND OR FOR THE SEVERELY HANDICAPPED THAT IS QUALIFIED PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 413, FLORIDA STATUTES, IN THE SAME MANNER AND UNDER THE SAME PROCEDURES SET FORTH IN SECTION 413.036(1) AND (2), FLORIDA STATUTES; AND FOR PURPOSES OF THIS CONTRACT THE PERSON, FIRM, OR OTHER BUSINESS ENTITY CARRYING OUT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS CONTRACT SHALL BE DEEMED TO BE SUBSTITUTED FOR THE STATE AGENCY INSOFAR AS DEALINGS WITH SUCH QUALIFIED NONPROFIT AGENCY ARE CONCERNED.

Additional information about the designated nonprofit Agency and the products it offers is available at http://www.respectofflorida.org.

D. PRIDE.
In accordance with Section 946.515(6), F.S., if a product or service required for the performance of this Purchase Order is certified by or is available from Prison Rehabilitative Industries and Diversified Enterprises, Inc. (PRIDE) and has been approved in accordance with Section 946.515(2), F.S., the following statement applies:
IT IS EXPRESSLY UNDERSTOOD AND AGREED THAT ANY ARTICLES WHICH ARE THE SUBJECT OF, OR REQUIRED TO CARRY OUT, THIS CONTRACT SHALL BE PURCHASED

FROM THE CORPORATION IDENTIFIED UNDER CHAPTER 946, F.S., IN THE SAME MANNER AND UNDER THE SAME PROCEDURES SET FORTH IN SECTION 946.515(2) AND (4), F.S.; AND FOR PURPOSES OF THIS CONTRACT THE PERSON, FIRM, OR OTHER BUSINESS ENTITY CARRYING OUT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS CONTRACT SHALL BE DEEMED TO BE SUBSTITUTED FOR THIS AGENCY INSOFAR AS DEALINGS WITH SUCH CORPORATION ARE CONCERNED.

Additional information about PRIDE and the products it offers is available at http://www.pride-enterprises.org.

Section 8. Miscellaneous.

A. Independent Contractor.
The Vendor and its employees, agents, representatives, and subcontractors are not employees or agents of the Agency and are not entitled to the benefits of State of Florida employees. The Agency shall not be bound by any acts or conduct of the Vendor or its employees, agents, representatives, or subcontractors. Vendor agrees to include this provision in all of its subcontracts under this Purchase Order.

B. Governing Law and Venue.
The laws of the State of Florida shall govern this Purchase Order. The Parties submit to the jurisdiction of the courts of the State of Florida exclusively for any legal action related to this Purchase Order. Further, the Vendor hereby waives any and all privileges and rights relating to venue it may have under Chapter 47, F.S., and any and all such venue privileges and rights it may have under any other statute, rule, or case law, including, but not limited to those grounded on convenience. Vendor hereby submits to venue in the county chosen by the Agency.

C. Waiver.
The delay or failure by the Agency to exercise or enforce any of its rights under this Purchase Order shall not constitute waiver of such rights.

D. Modification and Severability.
The Purchase Order may only be modified by a change order agreed to by the Agency and the Vendor. Should a court determine any provision of this Purchase Order is invalid, the remaining provisions shall not be affected, and the rights and obligations of the parties shall be construed and enforced as if the Purchase Order did not contain the provision held to be invalid.

E. Time is of the Essence.
Time is of the essence with regard to each and every obligation of Vendor. Each such obligation is deemed material, and a breach of any such obligation (including a breach resulting from untimely performance) is a material breach.

F. Background Check.
The Agency may require the Vendor and its employees, agents, representatives and subcontractors to provide fingerprints and be subject to such background screen as determined by the Agency and conducted by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement or the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The cost of the background screen(s) shall be borne by the Vendor. The Agency may require the Vendor to exclude the Vendor's employees, agents, representatives or subcontractors based on the background screening results.

G. E-Verify.

In accordance with Executive Order 11-116, the Vendor agrees to utilize the U.S. Agency of Homeland Security's E-Verify system, https://e-verify.uscis.gov/emp, to verify the employment eligibility of all new employees hired during the term of the Purchase Order for the services specified in the Purchase Order. Vendor shall also include a requirement in subcontracts that the subcontractor shall utilize the E-Verify system to verify the employment eligibility of all new employees hired by the subcontractor during the Purchase Order term.

H. Commodities Logistics.

The following provisions shall apply to all Purchase Orders unless otherwise indicated in the contract documents:

1) All purchases are F.O.B. destination, transportation charges prepaid.

2) Each shipment must be shipped to the address indicated on the face of this Purchase Order and marked to the attention of the individual identified, if any. Each shipment must be labeled plainly with the Purchase Order number and must show the gross, tare, and net weight. A complete packing list must accompany each shipment. This paragraph shall also apply to any third party who ships items against this Purchase Order on behalf of the Vendor.

3) No extra charges shall be applied for boxing, crating, packing, or insurance.

4) The following delivery schedule shall apply: 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM, Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays.

5) If delivery to the specified destination cannot be made on or before the specified date, notify the Agency immediately using the contact information provided in the MyFloridaMarketPlace system.

6) The Agency assumes no liability for merchandise shipped to other than the specified destination.

7) Items received in excess of quantities specified may, at Agency's option, be returned at the Vendor's expense. Substitutions are not permitted.

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State of Florida
PUR 1000
General Contract Conditions

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1. Definitions. The definitions contained in s. 60A-1.001, F.A.C. shall apply to this agreement. The following additional terms are also defined:

(a) “Contract” means the legally enforceable agreement that results from a successful solicitation. The parties to the Contract will be the Customer and Contractor.

(b) “Customer” means the State agency or other entity identified in a contract as the party to receive commodities or contractual services pursuant to a contract or that orders commodities or contractual services via purchase order or other contractual instrument from the Contractor under the Contract. The “Customer” may also be the “Buyer” as defined in the PUR 1001 if it meets the definition of both terms.

(c) “Product” means any deliverable under the Contract, which may include commodities, services, technology or software.

(d) “Purchase order” means the form or format a Customer uses to make a purchase under the Contract (e.g., a formal written purchase order, electronic purchase order, procurement card, contract or other authorized means).

2. Purchase Orders. In contracts where commodities or services are ordered by the Customer via purchase order, Contractor shall not deliver or furnish products until a Customer transmits a purchase order. All purchase orders shall bear the Contract or solicitation number, shall be placed by the Customer directly with the Contractor, and shall be deemed to incorporate by reference the Contract and solicitation terms and conditions. Any discrepancy between the Contract terms and the terms stated on the Contractor’s order form, confirmation, or acknowledgement shall be resolved in favor of terms most favorable to the Customer. A purchase order for services within the ambit of section 287.058(1) of the Florida Statutes shall be deemed to incorporate by reference the requirements of subparagraphs (a) through (f) thereof. Customers shall designate a contract manager and a contract administrator as required by subsections 287.057(15) and (16) of the Florida Statutes.

3. Product Version. Purchase orders shall be deemed to reference a manufacturer’s most recently release model or version of the product at the time of the order, unless the Customer specifically requests in writing an earlier model or version and the contractor is willing to provide such model or version.

4. Price Changes Applicable only to Term Contracts. If this is a term contract for commodities or services, the following provisions apply.

(a) Quantity Discounts. Contractors are urged to offer additional discounts for one time delivery of large single orders. Customers should seek to negotiate additional price concessions on quantity purchases of any products offered under the Contract. State Customers shall document their files accordingly.

(b) Best Pricing Offer. During the Contract term, if the Customer becomes aware of better pricing offered by the Contractor for substantially the same or a smaller quantity of a product outside the Contract, but upon the same or similar terms of the Contract, then at the discretion of the Customer the price under the Contract shall be immediately reduced to the lower price.

(c) Sales Promotions. In addition to decreasing prices for the balance of the Contract term due to a change in market conditions, a Contractor may conduct sales promotions involving price reductions for a specified lesser period. A Contractor shall submit to the Contract Specialist documentation identifying the proposed (1) starting and ending dates of the promotion, (2) products involved, and (3) promotional prices compared to then-authorized prices. Promotional prices shall be available to all Customers. Upon approval, the Contractor shall provide conspicuous notice of the promotion.

(d) Trade-In. Customers may trade-in equipment when making purchases from the Contract. A trade-in shall be negotiated between the Customer and the Contractor. Customers are obligated to actively seek current fair market value when trading equipment, and to keep accurate records of the process. For State agencies, it may be necessary to provide documentation to the Department of Financial Services and to the agency property custodian pursuant to Chapter 273, F.S.

(e) Equitable Adjustment. The Customer may, in its sole discretion, make an equitable adjustment in the Contract terms or pricing if pricing or availability of supply is affected by extreme and unforeseen volatility in the marketplace, that is, by circumstances that satisfy all the following criteria: (1) the volatility is due to causes wholly beyond the Contractor's control, (2) the volatility affects the marketplace or industry, not just the particular Contract source of supply, (3) the effect on pricing or availability of supply is substantial, and (4) the volatility so affects the Contractor that continued performance of the Contract would result in a substantial loss.

5. Additional Quantities. For a period not exceeding ninety (90) days from the date of solicitation award, the Customer reserves the right to acquire additional quantities up to the amount shown on the solicitation but not to exceed the threshold for Category Two at the prices submitted in the response to the solicitation.

6. Packaging. Tangible product shall be securely and properly packed for shipment, storage, and stocking in appropriate, clearly labeled, shipping containers and according to accepted commercial practice, without extra charge for packing materials, cases, or other types of containers. All containers and packaging shall become and remain Customer's property.

7. Inspection at Contractor's Site. The Customer reserves the right to inspect, at any reasonable time with prior notice, the equipment or product or plant or other facilities of a Contractor to assess conformity with Contract requirements and to determine whether they are adequate and suitable for proper and effective Contract performance.

8. Safety Standards. All manufactured items and fabricated assemblies subject to operation under pressure, operation by connection to an electric source, or operation involving connection to a manufactured, natural, or LP gas source shall be constructed and approved in a manner acceptable to the appropriate State inspector. Acceptability customarily requires, at a minimum, identification marking of the appropriate safety standard organization, where such approvals of listings have been established for the type of device offered and furnished, for example: the American Society of Mechanical Engineers for pressure vessels; the Underwriters Laboratories and/or National Electrical Manufacturers' Association for electrically operated assemblies; and the American Gas Association for gas-operated assemblies. In addition, all items furnished shall meet all applicable requirements of the Occupational Safety and Health Act and state and federal requirements relating to clean air and water pollution.

9. Americans with Disabilities Act. Contractors should identify any products that may be used or adapted for use by visually, hearing, or other physically impaired individuals.

10. Literature. Upon request, the Contractor shall furnish literature reasonably related to the product offered, for example, user manuals, price schedules, catalogs, descriptive brochures, etc.

11. Transportation and Delivery. Prices shall include all charges for packing, handling, freight, distribution, and inside delivery. Transportation of goods shall be FOB Destination to any point within thirty (30) days after the Customer places an Order. A Contractor, within five (5) days after receiving a purchase order, shall notify the Customer of any potential delivery delays. Evidence of inability or intentional delays shall be cause for Contract cancellation and Contractor suspension.

12. Installation. Where installation is required, Contractor shall be responsible for placing and installing the product in the required locations at no additional charge, unless otherwise designated on the Contract or purchase order. Contractor's authorized product and price list shall clearly and separately identify any additional installation charges. All materials used in the installation shall be of good quality and shall be free of defects that would diminish the appearance of the product or render it structurally or operationally unsound. Installation includes the furnishing of any equipment, rigging, and materials required to install or replace the product in the proper location. Contractor shall protect the site from damage and shall repair damages or injury caused during installation by Contractor or its employees or agents. If any alteration, dismantling, excavation, etc., is required to achieve installation, the Contractor shall promptly restore the structure or site to its original condition. Contractor shall perform installation work so as to cause the least inconvenience and

interference with Customers and with proper consideration of others on site. Upon completion of the installation, the location and surrounding area of work shall be left clean and in a neat and unobstructed condition, with everything in satisfactory repair and order.

13. Risk of Loss. Matters of inspection and acceptance are addressed in s. 215.422, F.S. Until acceptance, risk of loss or damage shall remain with the Contractor. The Contractor shall be responsible for filing, processing, and collecting all damage claims. To assist the Contractor with damage claims, the Customer shall: record any evidence of visible damage on all copies of the delivering carrier's Bill of Lading; report damages to the carrier and the Contractor; and provide the Contractor with a copy of the carrier's Bill of Lading and damage inspection report. When a Customer rejects a product, Contractor shall remove it from the premises within ten days after notification or rejection. Upon rejection notification, the risk of loss of rejected or non-conforming product shall remain with the Contractor. Rejected product not removed by the Contractor within ten days shall be deemed abandoned by the Contractor, and the Customer shall have the right to dispose of it as its own property. Contractor shall reimburse the Customer for costs and expenses incurred in storing or effecting removal or disposition of rejected product.

14. Transaction Fee. The State of Florida has instituted MyFloridaMarketPlace, a statewide eProcurement System ("System"). Pursuant to section 287.057(23), Florida Statutes (2002), all payments shall be assessed a Transaction Fee of one percent (1.0%), which the Contractor shall pay to the State, unless exempt pursuant to 60A-1.032, F.A.C.

For payments within the State accounting system (FLAIR or its successor), the Transaction Fee shall, when possible, be automatically deducted from payments to the Contractor. If automatic deduction is not possible, the Contractor shall pay the Transaction Fee pursuant to Rule 60A-1.031(2), F.A.C. By submission of these reports and corresponding payments, Contractor certifies their correctness. All such reports and payments shall be subject to audit by the State or its designee.

Contractor shall receive a credit for any Transaction Fee paid by the Contractor for the purchase of any item(s) if such item(s) are returned to the Contractor through no fault, act, or omission of the Contractor. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a Transaction Fee is non-refundable when an item is rejected or returned, or declined, due to the Contractor's failure to perform or comply with specifications or requirements of the agreement.
Failure to comply with these requirements shall constitute grounds for declaring the Contractor in default and recovering reprocurement costs from the Contractor in addition to all outstanding fees. **CONTRACTORS DELINQUENT IN PAYING TRANSACTION FEES MAY BE SUBJECT TO BEING REMOVED FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT SERVICES' VENDOR LIST AS PROVIDED IN RULE 60A-1.006, F.A.C.**

15. Invoicing and Payment. Invoices shall contain the Contract number, purchase order number if applicable, and the appropriate vendor identification number. The State may require any other information from the Contractor that the State deems necessary to verify any purchase order placed under the Contract.

At the State's option, Contractors may be required to invoice electronically pursuant to guidelines of the Department of Management Services. Current guidelines require that Contractor supply electronic invoices in lieu of paper-based invoices for those transactions processed through the system. Electronic invoices shall be submitted to the Customer through the Ariba Supplier Network (ASN) in one of the following mechanisms – EDI 810, cXML, or web-based invoice entry within the ASN.

Payment shall be made in accordance with sections 215.422 and 287.0585 of the Florida Statutes, which govern time limits for payment of invoices. Invoices that must be returned to a Contractor due to preparation errors will result in a delay in payment. Contractors may call (850) 413-7269 Monday through Friday to inquire about the status of payments by State Agencies. The Customer is responsible for all payments under the Contract. A Customer's failure to pay, or delay in payment, shall not constitute a breach of the Contract and shall not relieve the Contractor of its obligations to the Department or to other Customers.

16. Taxes. The State does not pay Federal excise or sales taxes on direct purchases of tangible personal property. The State will not pay for any personal property taxes levied on the Contractor or for any taxes levied on employees' wages. Any exceptions to this paragraph shall be explicitly noted by the Customer in the special contract conditions section of the solicitation or in the Contract or purchase order.

17. Governmental Restrictions. If the Contractor believes that any governmental restrictions have been imposed that require alteration of the material, quality, workmanship or performance of the products offered under the Contract, the Contractor shall immediately notify the Customer in writing, indicating the specific restriction. The Customer reserves the right and the complete discretion to accept any such alteration or to cancel the Contract at no further expense to the Customer.

18. Lobbying and Integrity. Customers shall ensure compliance with Section 11.062, FS and Section 216.347, FS.The Contractor shall not, in connection with this or any other agreement with the State, directly or indirectly (1) offer, confer, or agree to confer any pecuniary benefit on anyone as consideration for any State officer or employee's decision, opinion, recommendation, vote, other exercise of discretion, or violation of a known legal duty, or (2) offer, give, or agree to give to anyone any gratuity for the benefit of, or at the direction or request of, any State officer or employee. For purposes of clause (2), "gratuity" means any payment of more than nominal monetary value in the form of cash, travel, entertainment, gifts, meals, lodging, loans, subscriptions, advances, deposits of money, services, employment, or contracts of any kind. Upon request of the Customer's Inspector General, or other authorized State official, the Contractor shall provide any type of information the Inspector General deems relevant to the Contractor's integrity or responsibility. Such information may include, but shall not be limited to, the Contractor's business or financial records, documents, or files of any type or form that refer to or relate to the Contract. The Contractor shall retain such records for the longer of (1) three years after the expiration of the Contract or (2) the period required by the General Records Schedules maintained by the Florida Department of State (available at: http://dlis.dos.state.fl.us/barm/genschedules/gensched.htm). The Contractor agrees to reimburse the State for the reasonable costs of investigation incurred by the Inspector General or other authorized State official for investigations of the Contractor's compliance with the terms of this or any other agreement between the Contractor and the State which results in the suspension or debarment of the Contractor. Such costs shall include, but shall not be limited to: salaries of investigators, including overtime; travel and lodging expenses; and expert witness and documentary fees. The Contractor shall not be responsible for any costs of investigations that do not result in the Contractor's suspension or debarment.

19. Indemnification. The Contractor shall be fully liable for the actions of its agents, employees, partners, or subcontractors and shall fully indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the State and Customers, and their officers, agents, and employees, from suits, actions, damages, and costs of every name and description, including attorneys' fees, arising from or relating to personal injury and damage to real or personal tangible property alleged to be caused in whole or in part by Contractor, its agents, employees, partners, or subcontractors, provided, however, that the Contractor shall not indemnify for that portion of any loss or damages proximately caused by the negligent act or omission of the State or a Customer.

Further, the Contractor shall fully indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the State and Customers from any suits, actions, damages, and costs of every name and description, including attorneys' fees, arising from or relating to violation or infringement of a trademark, copyright, patent, trade secret or intellectual property right, provided, however, that the foregoing obligation shall not apply to a Customer's misuse or modification of Contractor's products or a Customer's operation or use of Contractor's products in a manner not contemplated by the Contract or the purchase order. If any product is the subject of an infringement suit, or in the Contractor's opinion is likely to become the subject of such a suit, the Contractor may at its sole expense procure for the Customer the right to continue using the product or to modify it to become non-infringing. If the Contractor is not reasonably able to modify or otherwise secure the Customer the right to continue using the product, the Contractor shall remove the product and refund the Customer the amounts paid in excess of a reasonable rental for past use. The customer shall not be liable for any royalties.

The Contractor's obligations under the preceding two paragraphs with respect to any legal action are contingent upon the State or Customer giving the Contractor (1) written notice of any action or threatened action, (2) the opportunity to take over and settle or defend any such action at Contractor's sole expense, and (3) assistance in defending the action at Contractor's sole expense. The Contractor shall not be liable for any cost, expense, or compromise incurred or made by the State or Customer in any legal action without the Contractor's prior written consent, which shall not be unreasonably withheld.

20. Limitation of Liability. For all claims against the Contractor under any contract or purchase order, and regardless of the basis on which the claim is made, the Contractor's liability under a contract or purchase order for direct damages shall be limited to the greater of $100,000, the dollar amount of the contract or purchase order, or two times the charges rendered by the Contractor under the purchase order. This limitation shall not apply to claims arising under the Indemnity paragraph contain in this agreement.

Unless otherwise specifically enumerated in the Contract or in the purchase order, no party shall be liable to another for special, indirect, punitive, or consequential damages, including lost data or records (unless the contract or purchase order requires the Contractor to back-up data or records), even if the party has been advised that such damages are possible. No party shall be liable for lost profits, lost revenue, or lost institutional operating savings. The State and Customer may, in addition to other remedies available to them at law or equity and upon notice to the Contractor, retain such monies from amounts due Contractor as may be necessary to satisfy any claim for damages, penalties, costs and the like asserted by or against them. The State may set off any liability or other obligation of the Contractor or its affiliates to the State against any payments due the Contractor under any contract with the State.

21. Suspension of Work. The Customer may in its sole discretion suspend any or all activities under the Contract or purchase order, at any time, when in the best interests of the State to do so. The Customer shall provide the Contractor written notice outlining the particulars of suspension. Examples of the reason for suspension include, but are not limited to, budgetary constraints, declaration of emergency, or other such circumstances. After receiving a suspension notice, the Contractor shall comply with the notice and shall not accept any purchase orders. Within ninety days, or any longer period agreed to by the Contractor, the Customer shall either (1) issue a notice authorizing resumption of work, at which time activity shall resume, or (2) terminate the Contract or purchase order. Suspension of work shall not entitle the Contractor to any additional compensation.

22. Termination for Convenience. The Customer, by written notice to the Contractor, may terminate the Contract in whole or in part when the Customer determines in its sole discretion that it is in the State's interest to do so. The Contractor shall not furnish any product after it receives the notice of termination, except as necessary to complete the continued portion of the Contract, if any. The Contractor shall not be entitled to recover any cancellation charges or lost profits.

23. Termination for Cause. The Customer may terminate the Contract if the Contractor fails to (1) deliver the product within the time specified in the Contract or any extension, (2) maintain adequate progress, thus endangering performance of the Contract, (3) honor any term of the Contract, or (4) abide by any statutory, regulatory, or licensing requirement. Rule 60A-1.006(3), F.A.C., governs the procedure and consequences of default. The Contractor shall continue work on any work not terminated. Except for defaults of subcontractors at any tier, the Contractor shall not be liable for any excess costs if the failure to perform the Contract arises from events completely beyond the control, and without the fault or negligence, of the Contractor. If the failure to perform is caused by the default of a subcontractor at any tier, and if the cause of the default is completely beyond the control of both the Contractor and the subcontractor, and without the fault or negligence of either, the Contractor shall not be liable for any excess costs for failure to perform, unless the subcontracted products were obtainable from other sources in sufficient time for the Contractor to meet the required delivery schedule. If, after termination, it is determined that the Contractor was not in default, or that the default was excusable, the rights and obligations of the parties shall be the same as if the termination had been issued for the convenience of the Customer. The rights and remedies of the Customer in this clause are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under the Contract.

24. Force Majeure, Notice of Delay, and No Damages for Delay. The Contractor shall not be responsible for delay resulting from its failure to perform if neither the fault nor the negligence of the Contractor or its employees or agents contributed to the delay and the delay is due directly to acts of God, wars, acts of public enemies, strikes, fires, floods, or other similar cause wholly beyond the Contractor's control, or for any of the foregoing that affect subcontractors or suppliers if no alternate source of supply is available to the Contractor. In case of any delay the Contractor believes is excusable, the Contractor shall notify the Customer in writing of the delay or potential delay and describe the cause of the delay either (1) within ten (10) days after the

cause that creates or will create the delay first arose, if the Contractor could reasonably foresee that a delay could occur as a result, or (2) if delay is not reasonably foreseeable, within five (5) days after the date the Contractor first had reason to believe that a delay could result. **THE FOREGOING SHALL CONSTITUTE THE CONTRACTOR'S SOLE REMEDY OR EXCUSE WITH RESPECT TO DELAY.** Providing notice in strict accordance with this paragraph is a condition precedent to such remedy. No claim for damages, other than for an extension of time, shall be asserted against the Customer. The Contractor shall not be entitled to an increase in the Contract price or payment of any kind from the Customer for direct, indirect, consequential, impact or other costs, expenses or damages, including but not limited to costs of acceleration or inefficiency, arising because of delay, disruption, interference, or hindrance from any cause whatsoever. If performance is suspended or delayed, in whole or in part, due to any of the causes described in this paragraph, after the causes have ceased to exist the Contractor shall perform at no increased cost, unless the Customer determines, in its sole discretion, that the delay will significantly impair the value of the Contract to the State or to Customers, in which case the Customer may (1) accept allocated performance or deliveries from the Contractor, provided that the Contractor grants preferential treatment to Customers with respect to products subjected to allocation, or (2) purchase from other sources (without recourse to and by the Contractor for the related costs and expenses) to replace all or part of the products that are the subject of the delay, which purchases may be deducted from the Contract quantity, or (3) terminate the Contract in whole or in part.

25. Changes. The Customer may unilaterally require, by written order, changes altering, adding to, or deducting from the Contract specifications, provided that such changes are within the general scope of the Contract. The Customer may make an equitable adjustment in the Contract price or delivery date if the change affects the cost or time of performance. Such equitable adjustments require the written consent of the Contractor, which shall not be unreasonably withheld. If unusual quantity requirements arise, the Customer may solicit separate bids to satisfy them.

26. Renewal. Upon mutual agreement, the Customer and the Contractor may renew the Contract, in whole or in part, for a period that may not exceed 3 years or the term of the contract, whichever period is longer. Any renewal shall specify the renewal price, as set forth in the solicitation response. The renewal must be in writing and signed by both parties, and is contingent upon satisfactory performance evaluations and subject to availability of funds.

27. Purchase Order Duration. Purchase orders issued pursuant to a state term or agency contract must be received by the Contractor no later than close of business on the last day of the contract's term to be considered timely. The Contractor is obliged to fill those orders in accordance with the contract's terms and conditions. Purchase orders received by the contractor after close of business on the last day of the state term or agency contract's term shall be considered void.

Purchase orders for a one-time delivery of commodities or performance of contractual services shall be valid through the performance by the Contractor, and all terms and conditions of the state term or agency contract shall apply to the single delivery/performance, and shall survive the termination of the Contract.

Contractors are required to accept purchase orders specifying delivery schedules exceeding the contracted schedule even when such extended delivery will occur after expiration of the state term or agency contract. For example, if a state term contract calls for delivery 30 days after receipt of order (ARO), and an order specifies delivery will occur both in excess of 30 days ARO and after expiration of the state term contract, the Contractor will accept the order. However, if the Contractor expressly and in writing notifies the ordering office within ten (10) calendar days of receipt of the purchase order that Contractor will not accept the extended delivery terms beyond the expiration of the state term contract, then the purchase order will either be amended in writing by the ordering entity within ten (10) calendar days of receipt of the contractor's notice to reflect the state term contract delivery schedule, or it shall be considered withdrawn.

The duration of purchase orders for recurring deliveries of commodities or performance of services shall not exceed the expiration of the state term or agency contract by more than twelve months. However, if an extended pricing plan offered in the state term or agency contract is selected by the ordering entity, the contract terms on pricing plans and renewals shall govern the maximum duration of purchase orders reflecting such pricing plans and renewals.

Timely purchase orders shall be valid through their specified term and performance by the Contractor, and all terms and conditions of the state term or agency contract shall apply to the recurring delivery/performance as provided herein, and shall survive the termination of the Contract.

Ordering offices shall not renew a purchase order issued pursuant to a state term or agency contract if the underlying contract expires prior to the effective date of the renewal.

28. Advertising. Subject to Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, the Contractor shall not publicly disseminate any information concerning the Contract without prior written approval from the Customer, including, but not limited to mentioning the Contract in a press release or other promotional material, identifying the Customer or the State as a reference, or otherwise linking the Contractor's name and either a description of the Contract or the name of the State or the Customer in any material published, either in print or electronically, to any entity that is not a party to Contract, except potential or actual authorized distributors, dealers, resellers, or service representative.

29. Assignment. The Contractor shall not sell, assign or transfer any of its rights, duties or obligations under the Contract, or under any purchase order issued pursuant to the Contract, without the prior written consent of the Customer. In the event of any assignment, the Contractor remains secondarily liable for performance of the contract, unless the Customer expressly waives such secondary liability. The Customer may assign the Contract with prior written notice to Contractor of its intent to do so.

30. Antitrust Assignment. The Contractor and the State of Florida recognize that in actual economic practice, overcharges resulting from antitrust violations are in fact usually borne by the State of Florida. Therefore, the contractor hereby assigns to the State of Florida any and all claims for such overcharges as to goods, materials or services purchased in connection with the Contract.

31. Dispute Resolution. Any dispute concerning performance of the Contract shall be decided by the Customer's designated contract manager, who shall reduce the decision to writing and serve a copy on the Contractor. The decision shall be final and conclusive unless within twenty one (21) days from the date of receipt, the Contractor files with the Customer a petition for administrative hearing. The Customer's decision on the petition shall be final, subject to the Contractor's right to review pursuant to Chapter 120 of the Florida Statutes. Exhaustion of administrative remedies is an absolute condition precedent to the Contractor's ability to pursue any other form of dispute resolution; provided, however, that the parties may employ the alternative dispute resolution procedures outlined in Chapter 120.

Without limiting the foregoing, the exclusive venue of any legal or equitable action that arises out of or relates to the Contract shall be the appropriate state court in Leon County, Florida; in any such action, Florida law shall apply and the parties waive any right to jury trial.

32. Employees, Subcontractors, and Agents. All Contractor employees, subcontractors, or agents performing work under the Contract shall be properly trained technicians who meet or exceed any specified training qualifications. Upon request, Contractor shall furnish a copy of technical certification or other proof of qualification. All employees, subcontractors, or agents performing work under the Contract must comply with all security and administrative requirements of the Customer and shall comply with all controlling laws and regulations relevant to the services they are providing under the Contract. The State may conduct, and the Contractor shall cooperate in, a security background check or otherwise assess any employee, subcontractor, or agent furnished by the Contractor. The State may refuse access to, or require replacement of, any personnel for cause, including, but not limited to, technical or training qualifications, quality of work, change in security status, or non-compliance with a Customer's security or other requirements. Such approval shall not relieve the Contractor of its obligation to perform all work in compliance with the Contract. The State may reject and bar from any facility for cause any of the Contractor's employees, subcontractors, or agents.

33. Security and Confidentiality. The Contractor shall comply fully with all security procedures of the United States, State of Florida and Customer in performance of the Contract. The Contractor shall not divulge to third parties any confidential information obtained by the Contractor or its agents, distributors,

resellers, subcontractors, officers or employees in the course of performing Contract work, including, but not limited to, security procedures, business operations information, or commercial proprietary information in the possession of the State or Customer. The Contractor shall not be required to keep confidential information or material that is publicly available through no fault of the Contractor, material that the Contractor developed independently without relying on the State's or Customer's confidential information, or material that is otherwise obtainable under State law as a public record. To insure confidentiality, the Contractor shall take appropriate steps as to its personnel, agents, and subcontractors. The warranties of this paragraph shall survive the Contract.

34. Contractor Employees, Subcontractors, and Other Agents. The Customer and the State shall take all actions necessary to ensure that Contractor's employees, subcontractors and other agents are not employees of the State of Florida. Such actions include, but are not limited to, ensuring that Contractor's employees, subcontractors, and other agents receive benefits and necessary insurance (health, workers' compensations, and unemployment) from an employer other than the State of Florida.

35. Insurance Requirements. During the Contract term, the Contractor at its sole expense shall provide commercial insurance of such a type and with such terms and limits as may be reasonably associated with the Contract. Providing and maintaining adequate insurance coverage is a material obligation of the Contractor. Upon request, the Contractor shall provide certificate of insurance. The limits of coverage under each policy maintained by the Contractor shall not be interpreted as limiting the Contractor's liability and obligations under the Contract. All insurance policies shall be through insurers authorized or eligible to write policies in Florida.

36. Warranty of Authority. Each person signing the Contract warrants that he or she is duly authorized to do so and to bind the respective party to the Contract.

37. Warranty of Ability to Perform. The Contractor warrants that, to the best of its knowledge, there is no pending or threatened action, proceeding, or investigation, or any other legal or financial condition, that would in any way prohibit, restrain, or diminish the Contractor's ability to satisfy its Contract obligations. The Contractor warrants that neither it nor any affiliate is currently on the convicted vendor list maintained pursuant to section 287.133 of the Florida Statutes, or on any similar list maintained by any other state or the federal government. The Contractor shall immediately notify the Customer in writing if its ability to perform is compromised in any manner during the term of the Contract.

38. Notices. All notices required under the Contract shall be delivered by certified mail, return receipt requested, by reputable air courier service, or by personal delivery to the agency designee identified in the original solicitation, or as otherwise identified by the Customer. Notices to the Contractor shall be delivered to the person who signs the Contract. Either designated recipient may notify the other, in writing, if someone else is designated to receive notice.

39. Leases and Installment Purchases. Prior approval of the Chief Financial Officer (as defined in Section 17.001, F.S.) is required for State agencies to enter into or to extend any lease or installment-purchase agreement in excess of the Category Two amount established by section 287.017 of the Florida Statutes.

40. Prison Rehabilitative Industries and Diversified Enterprises, Inc. (PRIDE). Section 946.515(2), F.S. requires the following statement to be included in the solicitation: "It is expressly understood and agreed that any articles which are the subject of, or required to carry out, the Contract shall be purchased from the corporation identified under Chapter 946 of the Florida Statutes (PRIDE) in the same manner and under the same procedures set forth in section 946.515(2) and (4) of the Florida Statutes; and for purposes of the Contract the person, firm, or other business entity carrying out the provisions of the Contract shall be deemed to be substituted for the agency insofar as dealings with such corporation are concerned." Additional information about PRIDE and the products it offers is available at http://www.pridefl.com.

41. Products Available from the Blind or Other Handicapped. Section 413.036(3), F.S. requires the following statement to be included in the solicitation: "It is expressly understood and agreed that any articles that are the subject of, or required to carry out, this contract shall be purchased from a nonprofit agency for the Blind or for the Severely Handicapped that is qualified pursuant to Chapter 413, Florida Statutes, in the

same manner and under the same procedures set forth in section 413.036(1) and (2), Florida Statutes; and for purposes of this contract the person, firm, or other business entity carrying out the provisions of this contract shall be deemed to be substituted for the State agency insofar as dealings with such qualified nonprofit agency are concerned." Additional information about the designated nonprofit agency and the products it offers is available at http://www.respectofflorida.org.

42. Modification of Terms. The Contract contains all the terms and conditions agreed upon by the parties, which terms and conditions shall govern all transactions between the Customer and the Contractor. The Contract may only be modified or amended upon mutual written agreement of the Customer and the Contractor. No oral agreements or representations shall be valid or binding upon the Customer or the Contractor. No alteration or modification of the Contract terms, including substitution of product, shall be valid or binding against the Customer. The Contractor may not unilaterally modify the terms of the Contract by affixing additional terms to product upon delivery (e.g., attachment or inclusion of standard preprinted forms, product literature, “shrink wrap” terms accompanying or affixed to a product, whether written or electronic) or by incorporating such terms onto the Contractor’s order or fiscal forms or other documents forwarded by the Contractor for payment. The Customer's acceptance of product or processing of documentation on forms furnished by the Contractor for approval or payment shall not constitute acceptance of the proposed modification to terms and conditions.

43. Cooperative Purchasing. Pursuant to their own governing laws, and subject to the agreement of the Contractor, other entities may be permitted to make purchases at the terms and conditions contained herein. Non-Customer purchases are independent of the agreement between Customer and Contractor, and Customer shall not be a party to any transaction between the Contractor and any other purchaser. State agencies wishing to make purchases from this agreement are required to follow the provisions of s. 287.042(16)(a), F.S. This statute requires the Department of Management Services to determine that the requestor's use of the contract is cost-effective and in the best interest of the State.

44. Waiver. The delay or failure by the Customer to exercise or enforce any of its rights under this Contract shall not constitute or be deemed a waiver of the Customer’s right thereafter to enforce those rights, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any such right preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right.

45. Annual Appropriations. The State’s performance and obligation to pay under this contract are contingent upon an annual appropriation by the Legislature.

46. Execution in Counterparts. The Contract may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be an original and all of which shall constitute but one and the same instrument.

47. Severability. If a court deems any provision of the Contract void or unenforceable, that provision shall be enforced only to the extent that it is not in violation of law or is not otherwise unenforceable and all other provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

State of Florida
PUR 1001
General Instructions to Respondents

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1. Definitions. The definitions found in s. 60A-1.001, F.A.C. shall apply to this agreement. The following additional terms are also defined:

(a) "Buyer" means the entity that has released the solicitation. The "Buyer" may also be the "Customer" as defined in the PUR 1000 if that entity meets the definition of both terms.
(b) "Procurement Officer" means the Buyer's contracting personnel, as identified in the Introductory Materials.
(c) "Respondent" means the entity that submits materials to the Buyer in accordance with these Instructions.
(d) "Response" means the material submitted by the respondent in answering the solicitation.
(e) "Timeline" means the list of critical dates and actions included in the Introductory Materials.

2. General Instructions. Potential respondents to the solicitation are encouraged to carefully review all the materials contained herein and prepare responses accordingly.

3. Electronic Submission of Responses. Respondents are required to submit responses electronically. For this purpose, all references herein to signatures, signing requirements, or other required acknowledgments hereby include electronic signature by means of clicking the "Submit Response" button (or other similar symbol or process) attached to or logically associated with the response created by the respondent within MyFloridaMarketPlace. The respondent agrees that the action of electronically submitting its response constitutes:

- an electronic signature on the response, generally,
- an electronic signature on any form or section specifically calling for a signature, and
- an affirmative agreement to any statement contained in the solicitation that requires a definite confirmation or acknowledgement.

4. Terms and Conditions. All responses are subject to the terms of the following sections of this solicitation, which, in case of conflict, shall have the order of precedence listed:

- Technical Specifications,
- Special Conditions and Instructions,

- Instructions to Respondents (PUR 1001),
- General Conditions (PUR 1000), and
- Introductory Materials.

The Buyer objects to and shall not consider any additional terms or conditions submitted by a respondent, including any appearing in documents attached as part of a respondent's response. In submitting its response, a respondent agrees that any additional terms or conditions, whether submitted intentionally or inadvertently, shall have no force or effect. Failure to comply with terms and conditions, including those specifying information that must be submitted with a response, shall be grounds for rejecting a response.

5. Questions. Respondents shall address all questions regarding this solicitation to the Procurement Officer. Questions must be submitted via the Q&A Board within MyFloridaMarketPlace and must be RECEIVED NO LATER THAN the time and date reflected on the Timeline. Questions shall be answered in accordance with the Timeline. All questions submitted shall be published and answered in a manner that all respondents will be able to view. Respondents shall not contact any other employee of the Buyer or the State for information with respect to this solicitation. Each respondent is responsible for monitoring the MyFloridaMarketPlace site for new or changing information. The Buyer shall not be bound by any verbal information or by any written information that is not contained within the solicitation documents or formally noticed and issued by the Buyer's contracting personnel. Questions to the Procurement Officer or to any Buyer personnel shall not constitute formal protest of the specifications or of the solicitation, a process addressed in paragraph 19 of these Instructions.

6. Conflict of Interest. This solicitation is subject to chapter 112 of the Florida Statutes. Respondents shall disclose with their response the name of any officer, director, employee or other agent who is also an employee of the State. Respondents shall also disclose the name of any State employee who owns, directly or indirectly, an interest of five percent (5%) or more in the respondent or its affiliates.

7. Convicted Vendors. A person or affiliate placed on the convicted vendor list following a conviction for a public entity crime is prohibited from doing any of the following for a period of 36 months from the date of being placed on the convicted vendor list:

- submitting a bid on a contract to provide any goods or services to a public entity;
- submitting a bid on a contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work;
- submitting bids on leases of real property to a public entity;
- being awarded or performing work as a contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under a contract with any public entity; and
- transacting business with any public entity in excess of the Category Two threshold amount ($25,000) provided in section 287.017 of the Florida Statutes.

8. Discriminatory Vendors. An entity or affiliate placed on the discriminatory vendor list pursuant to section 287.134 of the Florida Statutes may not:

- submit a bid on a contract to provide any goods or services to a public entity;
- submit a bid on a contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work;
- submit bids on leases of real property to a public entity;
- be awarded or perform work as a contractor, supplier, sub-contractor, or consultant under a contract with any public entity; or
- transact business with any public entity.

9. Respondent's Representation and Authorization. In submitting a response, each respondent understands, represents, and acknowledges the following (if the respondent cannot so certify to any of following, the respondent shall submit with its response a written explanation of why it cannot do so).

- The respondent is not currently under suspension or debarment by the State or any other governmental authority.

- To the best of the knowledge of the person signing the response, the respondent, its affiliates, subsidiaries, directors, officers, and employees are not currently under investigation by any governmental authority and have not in the last ten (10) years been convicted or found liable for any act prohibited by law in any jurisdiction, involving conspiracy or collusion with respect to bidding on any public contract.
- Respondent currently has no delinquent obligations to the State, including a claim by the State for liquidated damages under any other contract.
- The submission is made in good faith and not pursuant to any agreement or discussion with, or inducement from, any firm or person to submit a complementary or other noncompetitive response.
- The prices and amounts have been arrived at independently and without consultation, communication, or agreement with any other respondent or potential respondent; neither the prices nor amounts, actual or approximate, have been disclosed to any respondent or potential respondent, and they will not be disclosed before the solicitation opening.
- The respondent has fully informed the Buyer in writing of all convictions of the firm, its affiliates (as defined in section 287.133(1)(a) of the Florida Statutes), and all directors, officers, and employees of the firm and its affiliates for violation of state or federal antitrust laws with respect to a public contract for violation of any state or federal law involving fraud, bribery, collusion, conspiracy or material misrepresentation with respect to a public contract. This includes disclosure of the names of current employees who were convicted of contract crimes while in the employ of another company.
- Neither the respondent nor any person associated with it in the capacity of owner, partner, director, officer, principal, investigator, project director, manager, auditor, or position involving the administration of federal funds:
    - Has within the preceding three years been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them or is presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged for: commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a federal, state, or local government transaction or public contract; violation of federal or state antitrust statutes; or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property; or
    - Has within a three-year period preceding this certification had one or more federal, state, or local government contracts terminated for cause or default.
- The product offered by the respondent will conform to the specifications without exception.
- The respondent has read and understands the Contract terms and conditions, and the submission is made in conformance with those terms and conditions.
- If an award is made to the respondent, the respondent agrees that it intends to be legally bound to the Contract that is formed with the State.
- The respondent has made a diligent inquiry of its employees and agents responsible for preparing, approving, or submitting the response, and has been advised by each of them that he or she has not participated in any communication, consultation, discussion, agreement, collusion, act or other conduct inconsistent with any of the statements and representations made in the response.
- The respondent shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the Buyer and its employees against any cost, damage, or expense which may be incurred or be caused by any error in the respondent's preparation of its bid.
- All information provided by, and representations made by, the respondent are material and important and will be relied upon by the Buyer in awarding the Contract. Any misstatement shall be treated as fraudulent concealment from the Buyer of the true facts relating to submission of the bid. A misrepresentation shall be punishable under law, including, but not limited to, Chapter 817 of the Florida Statutes.

10. Manufacturer's Name and Approved Equivalents. Unless otherwise specified, any manufacturers' names, trade names, brand names, information or catalog numbers listed in a specification are descriptive, not restrictive. With the Buyer's prior approval, the Contractor may provide any product that meets or exceeds the applicable specifications. The Contractor shall demonstrate comparability, including appropriate catalog materials, literature, specifications, test data, etc. The Buyer shall determine in its sole discretion whether a product is acceptable as an equivalent.

11. Performance Qualifications. The Buyer reserves the right to investigate or inspect at any time whether the product, qualifications, or facilities offered by Respondent meet the Contract requirements. Respondent shall at all times during the Contract term remain responsive and responsible. In determining Respondent's responsibility as a vendor, the agency shall consider all information or evidence which is gathered or comes to the attention of the agency which demonstrates the Respondent's capability to fully satisfy the requirements of the solicitation and the contract.

Respondent must be prepared, if requested by the Buyer, to present evidence of experience, ability, and financial standing, as well as a statement as to plant, machinery, and capacity of the respondent for the production, distribution, and servicing of the product bid. If the Buyer determines that the conditions of the solicitation documents are not complied with, or that the product proposed to be furnished does not meet the specified requirements, or that the qualifications, financial standing, or facilities are not satisfactory, or that performance is untimely, the Buyer may reject the response or terminate the Contract. Respondent may be disqualified from receiving awards if respondent, or anyone in respondent's employment, has previously failed to perform satisfactorily in connection with public bidding or contracts. This paragraph shall not mean or imply that it is obligatory upon the Buyer to make an investigation either before or after award of the Contract, but should the Buyer elect to do so, respondent is not relieved from fulfilling all Contract requirements.

12. Public Opening. Responses shall be opened on the date and at the location indicated on the Timeline. Respondents may, but are not required to, attend. The Buyer may choose not to announce prices or release other materials pursuant to s. 119.071(1)(b), Florida Statutes. Any person requiring a special accommodation because of a disability should contact the Procurement Officer at least five (5) workdays prior to the solicitation opening. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Buyer by using the Florida Relay Service at (800) 955-8771 (TDD).

13. Electronic Posting of Notice of Intended Award. Based on the evaluation, on the date indicated on the Timeline the Buyer shall electronically post a notice of intended award at http://fcn.state.fl.us/owa_vbs/owa/vbs_www.main_menu. If the notice of award is delayed, in lieu of posting the notice of intended award the Buyer shall post a notice of the delay and a revised date for posting the notice of intended award. Any person who is adversely affected by the decision shall file with the Buyer a notice of protest within 72 hours after the electronic posting. The Buyer shall not provide tabulations or notices of award by telephone.

14. Firm Response. The Buyer may make an award within sixty (60) days after the date of the opening, during which period responses shall remain firm and shall not be withdrawn. If award is not made within sixty (60) days, the response shall remain firm until either the Buyer awards the Contract or the Buyer receives from the respondent written notice that the response is withdrawn. Any response that expresses a shorter duration may, in the Buyer's sole discretion, be accepted or rejected.

15. Clarifications/Revisions. Before award, the Buyer reserves the right to seek clarifications or request any information deemed necessary for proper evaluation of submissions from all respondents deemed eligible for Contract award. Failure to provide requested information may result in rejection of the response.

16. Minor Irregularities/Right to Reject. The Buyer reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids, or separable portions thereof, and to waive any minor irregularity, technicality, or omission if the Buyer determines that doing so will serve the State's best interests. The Buyer may reject any response not submitted in the manner specified by the solicitation documents.

17. Contract Formation. The Buyer shall issue a notice of award, if any, to successful respondent(s), however, no contract shall be formed between respondent and the Buyer until the Buyer signs the Contract. The Buyer shall not be liable for any costs incurred by a respondent in preparing or producing its response or for any work performed before the Contract is effective.

18. Contract Overlap. Respondents shall identify any products covered by this solicitation that they are currently authorized to furnish under any state term contract. By entering into the Contract, a Contractor authorizes the Buyer to eliminate duplication between agreements in the manner the Buyer deems to be in its best interest.

19. Public Records. Article 1, section 24, Florida Constitution, guarantees every person access to all public records, and Section 119.011, Florida Statutes, provides a broad definition of public record. As such, all responses to a competitive solicitation are public records unless exempt by law. Any respondent claiming that its response contains information that is exempt from the public records law shall clearly segregate and mark that information and provide the specific statutory citation for such exemption.

20. Protests. Any protest concerning this solicitation shall be made in accordance with sections 120.57(3) and 287.042(2) of the Florida Statutes and chapter 28-110 of the Florida Administrative Code. Questions to the Procurement Officer shall not constitute formal notice of a protest. It is the Buyer's intent to ensure that specifications are written to obtain the best value for the State and that specifications are written to ensure competitiveness, fairness, necessity and reasonableness in the solicitation process.

Section 120.57(3)(b), F.S. and Section 28-110.003, Fla. Admin. Code require that a notice of protest of the solicitation documents shall be made within seventy-two hours after the posting of the solicitation.

Section 120.57(3)(a), F.S. requires the following statement to be included in the solicitation: "Failure to file a protest within the time prescribed in section 120.57(3), Florida Statutes, shall constitute a waiver of proceedings under Chapter 120, Florida Statutes."

Section 28-110.005, Fla. Admin. Code requires the following statement to be included in the solicitation: "Failure to file a protest within the time prescribed in Section 120.57(3), Florida Statutes, or failure to post the bond or other security required by law within the time allowed for filing a bond shall constitute a waiver of proceedings under Chapter 120, Florida Statutes."

21. Limitation on Vendor Contact with Agency During Solicitation Period. Respondents to this solicitation or persons acting on their behalf may not contact, between the release of the solicitation and the end of the 72-hour period following the agency posting the notice of intended award, excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and state holidays, any employee or officer of the executive or legislative branch concerning any aspect of this solicitation, except in writing to the procurement officer or as provided in the solicitation documents. Violation of this provision may be grounds for rejecting a response.