

Certified Grade IIA Water Treatment Facility Operator

INVITATION FOR BIDS (IFB) # 2020-05-GRH

Issue Date: February 18, 2020 Site Visit Date: February 27 2020

Bidder Questions Due: March 5, 2020 Bid Due Date & Time: March 17, 2020

Contract Period: Two (2) years with option to extend for up to

three one-year renewals

IMPORTANT: SEE NOTICE TO BIDDERS CLAUSES HEREIN

E-Mail or Facsimile Bid Submissions are NOT Acceptable

Designated Contact

Name: Randi Hammond,

Contract Management Specialist I Phone: (518) 436-7886 ext. 3042 Email: Randi.Hammond@doccs.ny.gov

Alternate Designated Contact

Name: Linda Mitchell,

Contract Management Specialist II Phone: (518) 436-7886 ext. 3115 Email: Linda.Mitchell@doccs.ny.gov

BID SIGNATURE PAGE

The bid must be fully and properly executed by an authorized person. By signing, you certify your express authority to sign on behalf of yourself, your company, or other entity and full knowledge and acceptance of this INVITATION FOR BIDS, Appendix A (Standard Clauses For New York State Contracts), and State Finance Law §139-j and §139-k (Procurement Lobbying), and that all information provided is complete, true and accurate. By signing, bidder affirms that it understands and agrees to comply with DOCCS procedures relative to permissible contacts as required by State Finance Law §139-j(3) and §139-j(6)(b). Bidders are requested to retain Appendix A for future reference.

Procurement Lobbying information may be accessed at: https://ogs.ny.gov/acpl/

Legal Business Name of Company Bidding:					NYS Vendor Identification Number: (see NYS vendor file registration clause		
D/B/A – Doing Business As (if applicable):					Federal Tax Identification Number: (Do Not Use Social Security Number)	
Street	City		State	Zip)	County	
If app	plicable, place an "x" in	the appr	opriate box(es	s) (ch	eck all that a	apply)	
□ NYS Small Business # Employees	Owned Business		□ NYS Certified Woman- Owned Business Enterprise (WBE) □ NYS Certified Serv Disabled Veteran Owned Business (SDVOB)		Owned Business		
Vendor Responsibility Questionnaire Filed Online: Yes No If Yes, has Bidder certified or recertified the Vendor Responsibility Questionnaire no more than six (6) months prior to the bid opening date? Yes No Do you understand and is your firm capable of meeting the insurance requirements to enter into a contract with New York State? Yes No Does your bid proposal meet all the requirements of this solicitation?Yes No							
If you are not bidding, place an "x" in the box and return this page only. WE ARE NOT BIDDING AT THIS TIME BECAUSE:							
Phone:			Toll Free Phone:				
Email Address:		Company Web Site:					
Bidder's Signature:		Printed or Typed Name:					
Date:		Title:					

INDIVIDUAL, CORPORATION, PARTNERSHIP, OR LLC ACKNOWLEDGMENT

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On	the day of in the year 20 , before me personally appeared
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	If an individual): _he executed the foregoing instrument in his/her name and on his/her own behalf.
	If a corporation): _he is the of
	, the corporation described in said instrument; that, by authority of
	the Board of Directors of said corporation, _he is authorized to execute the foregoing instrument on behalf of
	the corporation for purposes set forth therein; and that, pursuant to that authority, _he executed the foregoing
	instrument in the name of and on behalf of said corporation as the act and deed of said corporation.
	If a partnership): _he is the of
	, the partnership described in said instrument; that, by the terms of
	said partnership, _he is authorized to execute the foregoing instrument on behalf of the partnership for
	purposes set forth therein; and that, pursuant to that authority, _he executed the foregoing instrument in the
	name of and on behalf of said partnership as the act and deed of said partnership.
	If a limited liability company): _he is a duly authorized member of,
	LLC, the limited liability company described in said instrument; that _he is authorized to execute the foregoing
	instrument on behalf of the limited liability company for purposes set forth therein; and that, pursuant to that
	authority, _he executed the foregoing instrument in the name of and on behalf of said limited liability company
	as the act and deed of said limited liability company.

Notary Public Registration No.

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CHECKLIST FOR IFB #2020-05-GRH

All bidders must complete the checklist presented below and submit the following forms listed in the checklist as required for each bid submission.

	SUE	BMISSION DOCUMENTS PACKAGE (SIGNATURES REQUIRED)
		This Checklist
		Completed Bid Signature Page Bidder's Federal Tax Identification Number NYS Vendor Identification Number Bidder's Signature Individual, Corporation, Partnership, or LLC Acknowledgement (must be notarized)
		MWBE / EEO / SDVOB Forms as applicable (see Appendix C) Forms available at: http://www.doccs.ny.gov/RFPs/rfps.html
		Vendor Responsibility Questionnaire – Check one of the following: Paper Submission OR Electronic Filing - Certified Date: (Must be certified within the last 6 months)
		Certificates of Insurance Coverage as required in IFB Bid Price Page Notes to Bidders and Questions Completed Procurement Lobbying Certification NYS Required Certifications: EO 177 & State Finance Law § 139-I Vendor Assurance of No Conflict of Interest or Detrimental Effect Form ST-220-CA Electronic copy of all bid documents in PDF format (i.e. USB flash drive, CD, etc.)
Signature:		Date:
Print Name:		Name of Company:

RETURN THIS PAGE AS PART OF THE BID

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: Receipt of these bid documents does not indicate that the New York State Department of Corrections and Community Supervision (DOCCS) has pre-determined your company's qualifications to receive a contract award. Such determination will be made after the bid opening and will be based on our evaluation of your bid submission compared to the specific requirements and qualifications contained in these bid documents.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS:

The New York State Department of Corrections and Community Supervision (NYSDOCCS) will receive bids pursuant to the provisions of Article XI of the State Finance Law or the provisions of the State Printing and Public Documents Law. The following procedures shall be used for bid submittals:

1. BID PREPARATION

Prepare your bid on this form using indelible ink. Print the name of your company on each page of the bid in the block provided. One copy of the bid is required, unless otherwise specified herein.

2. BID SUBMISSION

When submitting your bid, please submit complete original bid package, including all bidder questions and required certifications. You are not required to return Appendix A to this office. You may keep those pages for your own reference.

BID DELIVERY

Bidders assume all risks for timely, properly submitted deliveries. Bidders are strongly encouraged to arrange for delivery of bids to the Contract Procurement Unit <u>prior to</u> the date of the bid opening. Late Bids may be rejected. E-mail bid submissions are not acceptable and will not be considered.

· Bid envelopes

The envelope containing a bid should be clearly marked "BID ENCLOSED" and state the Bid Number, Bid Opening Date, and Time. Failure to complete all information on the bid envelope may necessitate the premature opening of the bid and may compromise confidentiality. Bids shall be delivered to:

State of New York

Department of Corrections and Community Supervision
Division of Support Operations/Contract Procurement Unit
Attention: Randi Hammond, Contract Management Specialist 1
550 Broadway
Menands, NY 12204
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Facsimile transmittals are NOT acceptable for this solicitation.

Hand deliveries

Bidders must allow extra time to comply with the security procedures which may be in effect when hand-delivering bids or using deliveries by independent courier services. **Bidders assume all risks for timely, properly submitted deliveries.**

4. IMPORTANT BUILDING ACCESS PROCEDURES

Bidders attending bid openings must pre-register for building access by contacting Randi Hammond at (518) 436-7886 ext. 3042 or by email at Randi.Hammond@doccs.ny.gov at least 24 hours prior to bid opening. To access the facility, all visitors must check in by presenting valid photo identification. Vendors who intend to deliver bids should allow extra time to comply with these procedures. Building Access procedures may change or be modified at any time.

NON-COLLUSIVE BIDDING CERTIFICATION:

(Reference: State Finance Law Section 139-d and Appendix A, Clause 7)

By submission of this bid, each bidder and each person signing on behalf of any bidder certifies, and in the case of a joint bid each party thereto certifies as to its own organization, under penalty of perjury, that to the best of its knowledge and belief:

- (1) The prices in this bid have been arrived at independently without collusion, consultation, communication, or agreement, for the purpose of restricting competition, as to any matter relating to such prices with any other bidder or with any competitor;
- (2) Unless otherwise required by law, the prices which have been quoted in this bid have not been knowingly disclosed by the bidder and will not knowingly be disclosed by the bidder prior to opening, directly or indirectly, to any other bidder or to any competitor; and
- (3) No attempt has been made or will be made by the bidder to induce any other person, partnership or corporation to submit or not submit a bid for the purpose of restricting competition.

In the event that the bidder is unable to certify as stated above, the bidder shall provide a signed statement which sets forth in detail the reasons why the bidder is unable to furnish the certificate as required in accordance with State Finance Law Section 139-d(1)(b).

INQUIRIES / ISSUING OFFICE:

All inquiries concerning this solicitation will be addressed to the following **Designated Contacts:**

PRIMARY CONTACT

Name: Randi Hammond, CMS I Phone No.: 518-436-7886 ext. 3042 E-Mail: Randi.Hammond@doccs.ny.gov

SECONDARY CONTACT

Name: Linda Mitchell, CMS II Phone No.: 518-436-7886 ext. 3115 E-Mail: Linda.Mitchell@doccs.ny.gov

Contacting anyone else may result in rejection of bid – see "Procurement Lobbying Act".

All questions should be submitted in writing no later than March 5, 2020, citing the particular bid section and paragraph number. The prospective bidder should notify the DESIGNATED CONTACT of any term, condition, etc., that precludes the vendor from submitting a compliant, responsive bid. Bidders are cautioned to read this document thoroughly to become familiar with all aspects of the bid. Prospective Bidders should note that all clarifications and exceptions including those relating to the terms and conditions of the contract are to be resolved prior to the submission of a bid. Bidders entering into a contract with the State are expected to comply with **all** the terms and conditions contained herein. Answers to all questions of a substantive nature will be given to all Prospective Bidders in the form of a formal addendum which will become part of the ensuing contract.

PROCUREMENT LOBBYING ACT:

SUMMARY OF POLICY AND PROHIBITIONS ON PROCUREMENT LOBBYING

Pursuant to State Finance Law §§139-j and 139-k, this solicitation includes and imposes certain restrictions on communications between the NYS DOCCS and an Offerer/bidder during the procurement process. An Offerer/bidder is restricted from making contacts from the earliest notice of intent to solicit offers/bids through final award and approval of the Procurement Contract by the NYS DOCCS, and if applicable, the Office of General Services, and/or the Office of the State Comptroller ("restricted period") to other than designated staff unless it is a contact that is included among certain statutory exceptions set forth in State Finance Law §139-j (3) (a). Designated staff, as of the date hereof, is identified on the first page of this solicitation. NYS DOCCS employees are also required to obtain certain information when contacted during the restricted period and make a determination of the responsibility of the Offerer/bidder pursuant to these two statutes. Certain findings of non-responsibility can result in rejection for contract award and in the event of two findings within a four-year period, the Offerer/bidder is debarred from obtaining governmental Procurement Contracts. Further information about these requirements can be found on the website: https://ogs.ny.gov/acpl/

PROCUREMENT LOBBYING TERMINATION:

NYSDOCCS reserves the right to terminate this contract in the event it is found that the certification filed by the Offerer/bidder in accordance with New York State Finance Law §139-k was intentionally false or intentionally incomplete. Upon such finding, NYSDOCCS may exercise its termination right by providing written notification to the Offerer/bidder in accordance with the written notification terms of this contract.

DISPUTE RESOLUTION POLICY:

It is the policy of the NYSDOCCS and the Office of the State Comptroller to provide vendors with an opportunity to administratively resolve disputes, complaints or inquiries related to New York State bid solicitations or contract awards. NYSDOCCS and the Office of the State Comptroller encourage vendors to seek resolution of disputes through consultation with NYSDOCCS staff. All such matters will be accorded impartial and timely consideration. Interested parties may also file formal written disputes.

TAX LAW § 5-A:

TAX LAW § 5-A Amended April 26, 2006 (Appendix 2):

Tax Law § 5-a, as amended on April 26, 2006, requires certain contractors who are awarded state contracts for commodities and/or services valued at more than \$100,000 (over the full term of the contract, excluding renewals) to certify to the Department of Taxation and Finance (DTF) they are registered to collect New York State (NYS) and local sales and compensating use taxes. The law applies to contracts where the total amount of the contractor's sales delivered into NYS exceed \$300,000 for the four quarterly periods immediately preceding the quarterly period when the certification is made; and with respect to any affiliates and subcontractors whose sales delivered into NYS also exceed \$300,000 in the same manner as noted above for the contractor.

This law imposes upon certain contractors the obligation to certify whether or not the contractor, its affiliates, and its subcontractors are required to register to collect state sales and compensating use tax. The contractors must certify to DTF that each affiliate and subcontractor exceeding the sales threshold is registered with DTF to collect such State and local sales and compensating use taxes. The law prohibits the Comptroller, or other approving agency, from approving a contract to a vendor who is not registered in accordance with the law.

There are two (2) Contractor certification forms, with instructions, required for this bid. Form ST-220-TD is to be submitted directly to DTF. Submission to DTF is a one-time occurrence. If you have already submitted this form to DTF for other bidding opportunities, you do not need to submit the form attached to this bid. If, however, any certification information changes, a new ST-220-TD must be filed with DTF. Form ST-220-CA must be completed and submitted with this bid. This form certifies to the procuring agency that the contractor has filed ST-220-TD with DTF in compliance with the law.

Bidders should complete and submit the certification forms within two business days of request (if the forms are not submitted to DTF and/or and returned with bid). Bidders shall take the necessary steps to provide properly certified forms within a timely manner to ensure compliance with the law, as failure to do so may render a bidder non-responsive and non-responsible.

Vendors may call DTF at 1-800-698-2909 for any and all questions relating to Tax Law § 5-a and relating to a company's registration status with DTF. For additional information and frequently asked questions, please refer to the DTF web site: http://www.tax.ny.gov

TERMINATION FOR VIOLATION OF Revised Tax Law 5a:

NYS DOCCS reserves the right to terminate this contract in the event it is found that the certification filed by the Contractor in accordance with § 5-a of the Tax Law is not timely filed during the term of the contract or the certification furnished was intentionally false or intentionally incomplete. Upon such finding, (facility name) may exercise its termination right by providing written notification to the Contractor.

MERCURY-ADDED CONSUMER PRODUCTS:

Offerers are advised that effective January 1, 2005, Article 27, Title 21 of the Environmental Conservation Law bans the sale or distribution free of charge of fever thermometers containing mercury except by prescription written by a physician and bans the sale or distribution free of charge of elemental mercury other than for medical pre-encapsulated dental amalgam, research, or manufacturing purposes due to the hazardous waste concerns of mercury. The law further states that effective July 12, 2005, manufacturers are required to label mercury-added consumer products that are sold or offered for sale in New York State by a distributor or retailer. The label is intended to inform consumers of the presence of mercury in such products and of the proper disposal or recycling of mercury-added consumer products. Offerers are encouraged to contact the Department of Environmental Conservation, Bureau of Solid Waste, Reduction & Recycling at (518) 402-8705 or the Bureau of Hazardous Waste Regulation at 1-800-462-6553 for questions relating to the law. Offerers may also visit the Department's web site for additional information: http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8512.html

DEBRIEFING:

Pursuant to Section 163(9)(c) of the State Finance Law, any unsuccessful Bidder may request a debriefing regarding the reasons that the Bid submitted by the Bidder was not selected for award. Requests for a debriefing must be made within 15 calendar days of notification by NYSDOCCS that the Bid submitted by the Bidder was not selected for award. Requests should be submitted in writing to a designated contact identified in the Solicitation.

APPENDIX A:

Appendix A, Standard Clauses For New York State Contracts, dated October 2019, attached hereto, is hereby expressly made a part of this Bid Document as fully as if set forth at length herein. **Please retain this document for future reference.**

CONFLICT OF TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

Conflicts between documents shall be resolved in the following order of precedence:

- a) Appendix A
- b) Contract resulting from this Invitation for Bid
- c) This Invitation for Bid
- d) Bidder's Bid

CONTRACTOR REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES FOR PARTICIPATION BY NEW YORK STATE CERTIFIED MINORITY AND WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISES AND EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINORITY GROUP MEMBERS AND WOMEN

New York State Law: Pursuant to New York State Executive Law Article 15-A and Parts 140-145 of Title 5 of the New York Codes, Rules and Regulations DOCCS is required to promote opportunities for the maximum feasible participation of New York State-certified Minority and Women-owned Business Enterprises ("MWBEs") and the employment of minority group members and women in the performance of DOCCS contracts.

Business Participation Opportunities for MWBEs

For purposes of this solicitation, DOCCS hereby establishes an overall goal of $\underline{\mathbf{0}}$ percent for MWBE participation, $\underline{\mathbf{0}}$ percent for New York State-certified Minority-owned Business Enterprise ("MBE") participation and $\underline{\mathbf{0}}$ percent for New York State-certified Women-owned Business Enterprise ("WBE") participation (based on the current availability of MBEs and WBEs). A contractor ("Contractor") on any contract resulting from this procurement ("Contract") must document its good faith efforts to provide meaningful participation by MWBEs as subcontractors and suppliers in the performance of the Contract. To that end, by submitting a response to this IFB, the bidder agrees that DOCCS may withhold payment pursuant to any Contract awarded as a result of this IFB pending receipt of the required MWBE documentation. The directory of MWBEs can be viewed at: https://ny.newnycontracts.com. For guidance on how DOCCS will evaluate a Contractor's "good faith efforts," refer to 5 NYCRR § 142.8.

The bidder understands that only sums paid to MWBEs for the performance of a commercially useful function, as that term is defined in 5 NYCRR § 140.1, may be applied towards the achievement of the applicable MWBE participation goal.

The portion of a contract with an MWBE serving as a broker that shall be deemed to represent the commercially useful function performed by the MWBE shall be 25 percent of the total value of the contract.

In accordance with 5 NYCRR § 142.13, the bidder further acknowledges that if it is found to have willfully and intentionally failed to comply with the MWBE participation goals set forth in a Contract resulting from this solicitation, such finding constitutes a breach of contract and DOCCS may withhold payment as liquidated damages.

Such liquidated damages shall be calculated as an amount equaling the difference between: (1) all sums identified for payment to MWBEs had the Contractor achieved the contractual MWBE goals; and (2) all sums actually paid to MWBEs for work performed or materials supplied under the Contract.

By submitting a bid or proposal, a bidder agrees to demonstrate its good faith efforts to achieve the applicable MWBE participation goals by submitting evidence thereof through the New York State Contract System ("NYSCS"), which can be viewed at https://ny.newnycontracts.com, provided, however, that a bidder may arrange to provide such evidence via a non-electronic method by contacting the designated contact(s) for this procurement. Additionally, a bidder will be required to submit the following documents and information as evidence of compliance with the foregoing:

- An MWBE Utilization Plan with their bid or proposal. Any modifications or changes to an accepted MWBE
 Utilization Plan after the Contract award and during the term of the Contract must be reported on a revised
 MWBE Utilization Plan and submitted to DOCCS for review and approval.
 - DOCCS will review the submitted MWBE Utilization Plan and advise the bidder of DOCCS acceptance or issue a notice of deficiency within 30 days of receipt.
- 2. If a notice of deficiency is issued, the bidder will be required to respond to the notice of deficiency within seven (7) business days of receipt by submitting to DOCCS, a written remedy in response to the notice of deficiency. If the written remedy that is submitted is not timely or is found by DOCCS to be inadequate, DOCCS shall notify the bidder and direct the bidder to submit, within five (5) business days, a request for a partial or total waiver of MWBE participation goals. Failure to file the waiver form in a timely manner may be grounds for disqualification of the bid or proposal.
- 3. DOCCS may disqualify a bidder as being non-responsive under the following circumstances:
 - a) If a bidder fails to submit an MWBE Utilization Plan;
 - b) If a bidder fails to submit a written remedy to a notice of deficiency;
 - c) If a bidder fails to submit a request for waiver; or
 - d) If DOCCS determines that the bidder has failed to document good faith efforts.

The successful bidder will be required to attempt to utilize, in good faith, any MBE or WBE identified within its MWBE Utilization Plan, during the performance of the Contract. Requests for a partial or total waiver of established goal requirements made subsequent to Contract Award may be made at any time during the term of the Contract to DOCCS, but must be made no later than prior to the submission of a request for final payment on the Contract.

The successful bidder will be required to submit a quarterly M/WBE Contractor Compliance & Subcontractor Payment Report to DOCCS, by the 10th day following each end of quarter as applicable over the term of the Contract documenting the progress made toward achievement of the MWBE goals of the Contract.

Equal Employment Opportunity Requirements

By submission of a bid or proposal in response to this solicitation, the bidder agrees with all of the terms and conditions of Appendix A – Standard Clauses for All New York State Contracts including Clause 12 - Equal Employment Opportunities for Minorities and Women. The bidder is required to ensure that it and any subcontractors awarded a subcontract for the construction, demolition, replacement, major repair, renovation, planning or design of real property and improvements thereon (the "Work"), except where the Work is for the beneficial use of the bidder, undertake or continue programs to ensure that minority group members and women are afforded equal employment opportunities without discrimination because of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, disability or marital status. For these purposes, equal opportunity shall apply in the areas of recruitment, employment, job assignment, promotion, upgrading, demotion, transfer, layoff, termination, and rates of pay or other forms of compensation. This requirement does not apply to: (i) work, goods, or services unrelated to the Contract; or (ii) employment outside New York State.

The bidder will be required to submit a Minority and Women-owned Business Enterprise and Equal Employment Opportunity Policy Statement to DOCCS with its bid or proposal.

If awarded a Contract, bidder shall submit a Workforce Utilization Report and shall require each of its Subcontractors to submit a Workforce Utilization Report, in such format as shall be required by DOCCS on a quarterly basis as required during the term of the Contract.

Pursuant to Executive Order #162, contractors and subcontractors will also be required to report the gross wages paid to each of their employees for the work performed by such employees on the contract utilizing the Workforce Utilization Report on a quarterly basis.

Further, pursuant to Article 15 of the Executive Law (the "Human Rights Law"), all other State and Federal statutory and constitutional non-discrimination provisions, the Contractor and sub-contractors will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, creed (religion), color, sex, national origin, sexual orientation, military status, age, disability, predisposing genetic characteristic, marital status or domestic violence victim status, and shall also follow the requirements of the Human Rights Law with regard to non-discrimination on the basis of prior criminal conviction and prior arrest.

Please Note: Failure to comply with the foregoing requirements may result in a finding of non-responsiveness, non-responsibility and/or a breach of the Contract, leading to the withholding of funds, suspension or termination of the Contract or such other actions or enforcement proceedings as allowed by the Contract.

PARTICIPATION OPPORTUNITIES FOR NEW YORK STATE CERTIFIED SERVICE-DISABLED VETERAN OWNED BUSINESSES

Article 17-B of the New York State Executive Law provides for more meaningful participation in public procurement by certified Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Businesses ("SDVOB"), thereby further integrating such businesses into New York State's economy. Department of Corrections and Community Supervision (DOCCS) recognizes the need to promote the employment of service-disabled veterans and to ensure that certified service-disabled veteran-owned businesses have opportunities for maximum feasible participation in the performance of DOCCS contracts.

In recognition of the service and sacrifices made by service-disabled veterans and in recognition of their economic activity in doing business in New York State, Bidders are expected to consider SDVOBs in the fulfillment of the requirements of the Contract. Such participation may be as subcontractors or suppliers, as protégés, or in other partnering or supporting roles.

I. Contract Goals

- A. DOCCS hereby establishes an overall goal of <u>0</u> percent for SDVOB participation, based on the current availability of qualified SDVOBs. For purposes of providing meaningful participation by SDVOBs, the Bidder/Contractor should reference the directory of New York State Certified SDVOBs found at: https://ogs.ny.gov/veterans/. Questions regarding compliance with SDVOB participation goals should be directed to the DOCCS Designated Contacts. Additionally, following Contract execution, Contractor is encouraged to contact the Office of General Services' Division of Service-Disabled Veterans' Business Development at 518-474-2015 or veterans-vetelopment@ogs.ny.gov to discuss additional methods of maximizing participation by SDVOBs on the Contract.
- B. Contractor must document "good faith efforts" to provide meaningful participation by SDVOBs as subcontractors or suppliers in the performance of the Contract (see clause IV below).

II. SDVOB Utilization Plan

- A. In accordance with 9 NYCRR § 252.2(i), Bidders are required to submit a completed SDVOB Utilization Plan on Form SDVOB 100 with their bid.
- B. The Utilization Plan shall list the SDVOBs that the Bidder intends to use to perform the Contract, a description of the work that the Bidder intends the SDVOB to perform to meet the goals on the Contract, the estimated dollar amounts to be paid to an SDVOB, or, if not known, an estimate of the percentage of
- C. Contract work the SDVOB will perform. By signing the Utilization Plan, the Bidder acknowledges that making false representations or providing information that shows a lack of good faith as part of, or in conjunction with, the submission of a Utilization Plan is prohibited by law and may result in penalties including, but not limited to, termination of a contract for cause, loss of eligibility to submit future bids, and/or withholding of payments. Any modifications or changes to the agreed participation by SDVOBs after the Contract award and during the term of the Contract must be reported on a revised SDVOB Utilization Plan and submitted to DOCCS.
- D. DOCCS will review the submitted SDVOB Utilization Plan and advise the Bidder/Contractor of DOCCS acceptance or issue a notice of deficiency within 20 days of receipt.

- E. If a notice of deficiency is issued, Bidder/Contractor agrees that it shall respond to the notice of deficiency, within seven business days of receipt, by submitting to DOCCS a written remedy in response to the notice of deficiency. If the written remedy that is submitted is not timely or is found by DOCCS to be inadequate, DOCCS shall notify the Bidder/Contractor and direct the Bidder/Contractor to submit, within five business days of notification by DOCCS, a request for a partial or total waiver of SDVOB participation goals on SDVOB 200. Failure to file the waiver form in a timely manner may be grounds for disqualification of the bid or proposal.
- F. DOCCS may disqualify a Bidder's bid or proposal as being non-responsive under the following circumstances:
 - (a) If a Bidder fails to submit an SDVOB Utilization Plan;
 - (b) If a Bidder fails to submit a written remedy to a notice of deficiency;
 - (c) If a Bidder fails to submit a request for waiver; or
 - (d) If DOCCS determines that the Bidder has failed to document good faith efforts.
- G. If awarded a Contract, Contractor certifies that it will follow the submitted SDVOB Utilization Plan for the performance of SDVOBs on the Contract pursuant to the prescribed SDVOB contract goals set forth above.
- H. Contractor further agrees that a failure to use SDVOBs as agreed in the Utilization Plan shall constitute a material breach of the terms of the Contract. Upon the occurrence of such a material breach, DOCCS shall be entitled to any remedy provided herein, including but not limited to, a finding of Contractor nonresponsibility.

III. Request for Waiver

- A. Prior to submission of a request for a partial or total waiver, Bidder/Contractor shall speak to the Designated Contacts at DOCCS for guidance.
- B. In accordance with 9 NYCRR § 252.2(m), a Bidder/Contractor that is able to document good faith efforts to meet the goal requirements, as set forth in clause IV below, may submit a request for a partial or total waiver on Form SDVOB 200, accompanied by supporting documentation. A Bidder may submit the request for waiver at the same time it submits its SDVOB Utilization Plan. If a request for waiver is submitted with the SDVOB Utilization Plan and is not accepted by DOCCS at that time, the provisions of clauses II (C), (D) & (E) will apply. If the documentation included with the Bidder's/Contractor's waiver request is complete, DOCCS shall evaluate the request and issue a written notice of acceptance or denial within 20 days of receipt.
- C. Contractor shall attempt to utilize, in good faith, the SDVOBs identified within its SDVOB Utilization Plan, during the performance of the Contract. Requests for a partial or total waiver of established goal requirements made subsequent to Contract award may be made at any time during the term of the Contract to DOCCS, but must be made no later than prior to the submission of a request for final payment on the Contract.
- D. If DOCCS, upon review of the SDVOB Utilization Plan and Monthly SDVOB Compliance Report (SDVOB 101) determines that Contractor is failing or refusing to comply with the contract goals and no waiver has been issued in regards to such non-compliance, DOCCS may issue a notice of deficiency to the Contractor. The Contractor must respond to the notice of deficiency within seven business days of receipt. Such response may include a request for partial or total waiver of SDVOB contract goals. Waiver requests should be sent to DOCCS.

IV Required Good Faith Efforts

In accordance with 9 NYCRR § 252.2(n), Contractors must document their good faith efforts toward utilizing SDVOBs on the Contract. Evidence of required good faith efforts shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

- (1) Copies of solicitations to SDVOBs and any responses thereto.
- (2) Explanation of the specific reasons each SDVOB that responded to Bidders/Contractors' solicitation was not selected.
- (3) Dates of any pre-bid, pre-award or other meetings attended by Contractor, if any, scheduled by DOCCS with certified SDVOBs whom DOCCS determined were capable of fulfilling the SDVOB goals set in the Contract
- (4) Information describing the specific steps undertaken to reasonably structure the Contract scope of work for the purpose of subcontracting with, or obtaining supplies from, certified SDVOBs.
- (5) Other information deemed relevant to the waiver request.

V. Monthly SDVOB Contractor Compliance Report

In accordance with 9 NYCRR § 252.2(q), Contractor is required to report Monthly SDVOB Contractor Compliance to DOCCS during the term of the Contract for the preceding month's activity, documenting progress made towards achieving the Contract SDVOB goals. This information must be submitted using form SDVOB 101 available on the DOCCS website and should be completed by the Contractor and submitted to DOCCS, by the 10th day of each month during the term of the Contract, for the preceding month's activity to: MWBE@doccs.ny.gov.

VI. Breach of Contract and Damages

In accordance with 9 NYCRR § 252.2(s), any Contractor found to have willfully and intentionally failed to comply with the SDVOB participation goals set forth in the Contract, shall be found to have breached the contract and Contractor shall pay damages as set forth therein.

ALL FORMS ARE AVAILABLE AT: http://www.doccs.ny.gov/RFPs/rfps.html

EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 177

Bidders must review Executive Order 177 prior to submitting bids. You may access the executive order on the Governor's website: https://www.governor.ny.gov/sites/governor.ny.gov/sites/governor.ny.gov/files/atoms/files/EO177.pdf

Bidders shall complete the EO177 Certification form located within this IFB as evidence of compliance with the foregoing and submit with bid.

SEXUAL HARASSMENT PREVENTION

Pursuant to New York State Finance Law § 139-I, every bid made on or after January 1, 2019, to the State or any public department or agency thereof, where competitive bidding is required by statute, rule or regulation, for work or services performed or to be performed or goods sold or to be sold, and where otherwise required by such public department or agency, shall contain a certification that the bidder has and has implemented a written policy addressing sexual harassment prevention in the workplace and provides annual sexual harassment prevention training to all of its employees. Such policy shall, at a minimum, meet the requirements of New York State Labor Law § 201-g: https://www.nysenate.gov/legislation/laws/LAB/201-G

New York State Labor Law § 201-g provides requirements for such policy and training and directs the Department of Labor, in consultation with the Division of Human Rights, to create and publish a model sexual harassment prevention guidance document, sexual harassment prevention policy and sexual harassment prevention training program that employers may utilize to meet the requirements of New York State Labor Law § 201-g. The model sexual harassment prevention policy, model sexual harassment training materials, and further guidance for employers, can be found online at the following URL: https://www.ny.gov/combating-sexual-harassment-workplace/employers

Pursuant to New York State Finance Law § 139-I, any bid by a corporate bidder containing the certification required above shall be deemed to have been authorized by the board of directors of such bidder, and such authorization shall be deemed to include the signing and submission of such bid and the inclusion therein of such statement as the act and deed of the bidder.

If the Bidder cannot make the required certification, such Bidder shall so state and shall furnish with the bid a signed statement that sets forth in detail the reasons that the Bidder cannot make the certification. After review and consideration of such statement, DOCCS may reject the bid or may decide that there are sufficient reasons to accept the bid without such certification.

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION LAW / TRADE SECRETS

During the evaluation process, the content of each bid will be held in confidence and details of any bid will not be revealed (except as may be required under the Freedom of Information Law or other State law). The Freedom of Information Law provides for an exemption from disclosure for trade secrets or information the disclosure of which would cause injury to the competitive position of commercial enterprises. This exemption would be effective both during and after the evaluation process.

Should you feel your firm's bid contains any such trade secrets or other confidential or proprietary information, you must submit a request to exempt such information from disclosure. Such request must be in writing, must state the reasons why the information should be exempt from disclosure and must be provided at the time of submission of the subject information. Upon notification from DOCCS, Bidders/Contractors must provide a redacted version of the records they wish to be exempted from release.

Requests for exemption of the entire contents of a bid from disclosure have generally not been found to be meritorious and are discouraged. Kindly limit any requests for exemption of information from disclosure to bona fide trade secrets or specific information, the disclosure of which would cause a substantial injury to the competitive position of your firm.

NEW YORK STATE VENDOR FILE REGISTRATION

Prior to being awarded a contract pursuant to this Solicitation, the Bidder(s) and any designated authorized resellers who accept payment directly from the State, must be registered in the New York State Vendor File (Vendor File) administered by the Office of the State Comptroller (OSC). This is a central registry for all vendors who do business with New York State Agencies and the registration must be initiated by a State Agency. Following the initial registration, unique New York State ten-digit vendor identification numbers will be assigned to your company and to each of your authorized resellers (if any) for usage on all future transactions with New York State. Additionally, the Vendor File enables vendors to use the Vendor Self-Service application to manage all vendor information in one central location for all transactions related to the State of New York. If Bidder is already registered in the New York State Vendor File, list the ten-digit vendor ID number on the Bid Signature Page. Authorized resellers already registered should list the ten-digit vendor ID number along with the authorized reseller information.

If the Bidder is not currently registered in the Vendor File and is recommended for award, DOCCS shall request completion of OSC Substitute W-9 Form. A fillable form with instructions can be found at the link below. In addition, if authorized resellers are to be used, an OSC Substitute W-9 form should be completed by each of the designated authorized resellers and submitted to the Office of General Services Business Services Center. The Office of General Services Business Services Center will initiate the vendor registration process for all Bidders recommended for Contract Award and their authorized resellers. Once the process is initiated, registrants will receive an email from OSC that includes the unique ten-digit vendor identification number assigned to the company and instructions on how to enroll in the online Vendor Self-Service application. For more information on the vendor file please visit the following website: http://www.osc.state.ny.us/vendor_management

Form to be completed: https://www.osc.state.ny.us/vendors/forms/ac3237s_fe.pdf

NYS VENDOR RESPONSIBILITY QUESTIONNAIRE

DOCCS conducts a review of prospective contractors ("Bidders") to provide reasonable assurances that the Bidder is responsive and responsible. A Questionnaire is used for non-construction contracts and is designed to provide information to assess a Bidder's responsibility to conduct business in New York based upon financial and organizational capacity, legal authority, business integrity, and past performance history. By submitting a bid, Bidder agrees to fully and accurately complete the "Questionnaire."

The Bidder acknowledges that the State's execution of the Contract will be contingent upon the State's determination that the Bidder is responsible, and that the State will be relying upon the Bidder's responses to the Questionnaire when making its responsibility determination.

DOCCS recommends each Bidder file the required Questionnaire online via the New York State VendRep System. To enroll in and use the VendRep System, please refer to the VendRep System Welcome Package for Vendors available at the Office of the State Comptroller's (OSC) website, http://www.osc.state.ny.us/vendrep/documents/system/welcome_package.pdf or to enroll, go directly to the VendRep System online at https://portal.osc.state.ny.us.

OSC provides direct support for the VendRep System through user assistance, documents, online help, and a Help Desk.The OSC Help Desk contact information is located at: http://www.osc.state.ny.us/portal/contactbuss.htm.

Bidders opting to complete the paper questionnaire can access this form and associated definitions via the OSC website at: http://www.osc.state.ny.us/vendrep/forms_vendor.htm

The Contractor must remain a responsible vendor throughout the duration of the contract and, if at any time the Contractor is found to be not responsible or there is a question as to the vendor's responsibility, any activities pursuant to the contract may be suspended. Finally, the contract may be terminated following a finding of non-responsibility.

To assist the State in determining the responsibility of the Bidder, the Bidder should complete and certify (or recertify) the Questionnaire no more than six (6) months prior to the bid due date.

A Bidder's Questionnaire cannot be viewed by DOCCS until the Bidder has certified the Questionnaire. It is recommended that all Bidders become familiar with all of the requirements of the Questionnaire in advance of the bid opening to provide sufficient time to complete the Questionnaire.

The Bidder agrees that if it is found by the State that the Bidder's responses to the Questionnaire were intentionally false or intentionally incomplete, on such finding, DOCCS may terminate the Contract. In no case shall such termination of the Contract by the State be deemed a breach thereof, nor shall the State be liable for any damages for lost profits or otherwise, which may be sustained by the Contractor as a result of such termination.

The Contractor shall at all times during the Contract term remain responsible. The Contractor agrees, if requested by the Commissioner of DOCCS or his designee, to present evidence of its continuing legal authority to do business in New York State, integrity, experience, ability, prior performance, and organizational and financial capacity.

The DOCCS Commissioner or his designee, in his or her sole discretion, reserves the right to suspend any or all activities under this Contract, at any time, when he or she discovers information that calls into question the responsibility of the Contractor. In the event of such suspension, the Contractor will be given written notice outlining the particulars of such suspension. Upon issuance of such notice, the Contractor must comply with the terms of the suspension order. Contract activity may resume at such time as the DOCCS Commissioner or his designee issues a written notice authorizing a resumption of performance under the Contract.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

Bidder must disclose any existing or contemplated relationship with any other person or entity, including relationships with any member, shareholders of 5% or more, parent, subsidiary, or affiliated firm, which would constitute an actual or potential conflict of interest or appearance of impropriety, relating to other clients/customers of the Respondent or former officers and employees of the Agencies and their Affiliates, in connection with your rendering services enumerated in this IFB. If a conflict does or might exist, please describe how your Staffing Firm would eliminate or prevent it. Indicate what procedures will be followed to detect, notify the Agencies of, and resolve any such conflicts.

Bidder must disclose whether it, or any of its members, shareholders of 5% or more, parents, affiliates, or subsidiaries, have been the subject of any investigation or disciplinary action by the New York State Commission on Public Integrity or its predecessor State entities (collectively, "Commission"), and if so, a brief description must be included indicating how any matter before the Commission was resolved or whether it remains unresolved.

Additionally, a bidder will be required to submit the **Vendor Assurance of No Conflict of Interest or Detrimental Effect** form located within this IFB as evidence of compliance with the foregoing.

PUBLIC OFFICERS LAW:

Contractors, consultants, vendors, and subcontractors may hire former State Agency or Authority employees. However, as a general rule and in accordance with New York Public Officers Law, former employees of the State Agency or Authority may neither appear nor practice before the State Agency or Authority, nor receive compensation for services rendered on a matter before the State Agency or Authority, for a period of two years following their separation from State Agency or Authority service. In addition, former State Agency or Authority employees are subject to a "lifetime bar" from appearing before the State Agency or Authority or receiving compensation for services regarding any transaction in which they personally participated or which was under their active consideration during their tenure with the State Agency or Authority.

ETHICS REQUIREMENTS:

The Contractor and its Subcontractors shall not engage any person who is, or has been at any time, in the employ of the State to perform services in violation of the provisions of the New York Public Officers Law. other laws applicable to the service of State employees, and the rules, regulations, opinions, guidelines or policies promulgated or issued by the New York State Joint Commission on Public Ethics, or its predecessors (collectively, the "Ethics Requirements"). The Contractor certifies that all of its employees and those of its Subcontractors who are former employees of the State and who are assigned to perform services under this Contract shall be assigned in accordance with all Ethics Requirements. During the Term, no person who is employed by the Contractor or its Subcontractors and who is disqualified from providing services under this Contract pursuant to any Ethics Requirements may share in any net revenues of the Contractor or its Subcontractors derived from this Contract. The Contractor shall identify and provide the State with notice of those employees of the Contractor and its Subcontractors who are former employees of the State that will be assigned to perform services under this Contract, and make sure that such employees comply with all applicable laws and prohibitions. The State may request that the Contractor provide it with whatever information the State deems appropriate about each such person's engagement, work cooperatively with the State to solicit advice from the New York State Joint Commission on Public Ethics, and, if deemed appropriate by the State, instruct any such person to seek the opinion of the New York State Joint Commission on Public Ethics. The State shall have the right to withdraw or withhold approval of any Subcontractor if utilizing such Subcontractor for any work performed hereunder would be in conflict with any of the Ethics Requirements. The State shall have the right to terminate this Contract at any time if any work performed hereunder is in conflict with any of the Ethics Requirements.

SUBCONTRACTING:

The Contractor agrees not to subcontract any of its services, unless as indicated in its bid, without the prior written approval of the DOCCS. Approval shall not be unreasonably withheld upon receipt of written request to subcontract.

The Contractor may arrange for a portion/s of its responsibilities to be subcontracted to qualified, responsible subcontractors, subject to approval of the DOCCS. If the Contractor determines to subcontract a portion of the services, the subcontractors must be clearly identified and the nature and extent of its involvement in and/or proposed performance must be fully explained by the Contractor to the DOCCS. As part of this explanation, the subcontractor must submit to the DOCCS a completed *Vendor Assurance of No Conflict of Interest or Detrimental Effect* form, as required by the Contractor prior to execution of a contract.

The Contractor retains ultimate responsibility for all services performed under a contract.

All subcontracts shall be in writing and shall contain provisions, which are functionally identical to, and consistent with, the provisions of this IFB. Unless waived in writing by DOCCS, all subcontracts between the Contractor and subcontractors shall expressly name DOCCS as the sole intended third party beneficiary of such subcontract. DOCCS reserves the right to review and approve or reject any subcontract, as well as any amendment to said subcontract(s), and this right shall not make DOCCS a party to any subcontract or create any right, claim, or interest in the subcontractor or proposed subcontractor against DOCCS.

DOCCS reserves the right, at any time during the contract term to verify that the written subcontract between the Contractor and subcontractors is in compliance with all of the provisions of this Section and any subcontract provisions contained in this IFB.

The Contractor shall give DOCCS immediate notice in writing of the initiation of any legal action or suit which relates in any way to a subcontract with a subcontractor or which may affect the performance of the Contractor's duties under a contract. Any subcontract shall not relieve the Contractor in any way of any responsibility, duty and/or obligation of a contract.

If at any time during performance under the contract the total compensation to a subcontractor exceeds or is expected to exceed \$100,000, that subcontractor shall be required to submit and certify a Vendor Responsibility Questionnaire.

PRICE:

Bid price shall be inclusive of all costs, including but not limited to, labor, materials, parts, supplies, transportation, travel, licenses, insurance, administrative, profit, ancillary costs, and miscellaneous charges such as any applicable taxes or fees.

METHOD OF AWARD:

Award shall be made to the responsive and responsible bidder submitting the lowest GRAND TOTAL.

EQUAL LOW BIDS (TIE BIDS):

- (a) DOCCS shall resolve a tie bid in the following order of priority when two or more low bids are equal in all respects:
 - 1) Certified New York State Minority or Woman Owned Business Enterprise (MWBE)
 - 2) Certified New York State Service Disabled Veteran Owned Business (SDVOB)
 - 3) Certified New York State Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE)
 - 4) Small New York State Business
 - 5) New York State Vendor
 - 6) Small Business (other than located in New York State)
 - 7) Previous Vendor
- (b) If two or more bidders still remain equally eligible after application of paragraph (a) of this section, award shall be made through a drawing limited to those bidders. The drawing shall be witnessed by at least three persons, and the contract file shall contain the names and addresses of the witnesses and the person supervising the drawing.

PRODUCT OFFERINGS MADE BY BIDDER (Alternate Bids):

Bidder shall make no more than one offering (i.e., a single stock number) per item per bid. Bids which have more than one product offering per item may not be considered.

If a bidder wants to make more than one product offering, such offering(s) are to be made on separate sheets and are to be listed as "alternate" bids. "Alternate" bids are to show <u>complete</u> information (pricing, brand, model, stock number, etc.), and will be evaluated as separate bids.

MINOR DEVIATIONS(s)/MINOR TECHNICALITY:

DOCCS reserves the right to have the flexibility to consider bids with minor deviations or technicalities and to waive minor deviations or technicalities that may be consistent with the intent and scope of the solicitation. The flexibility may permit a reasonable outcome in cases where the results of a fair, competitive process are clear but the award of a contract is threatened due to a minor technicality or a minor deviation.

"OR EQUAL":

The State reserves the right to determine if a product/service is 'equal' to bid specifications. Bids with minor deviations or technicalities may be waived if consistent with the intent and scope of the solicitation. The flexibility may permit a reasonable outcome in cases where the results of a fair, competitive process are clear but the award of a contract is threatened due to a minor technicality or a minor deviation.

CONTRACT PAYMENTS:

Contractor shall provide complete and accurate billing invoices to the Agency in order to receive payment. Billing invoices submitted to the Agency must contain all information and supporting documentation required by the Contract, the Agency and the State Comptroller. Payment for invoices submitted by the Contractor shall only be rendered electronically unless payment by paper check is expressly authorized by the Commissioner, in the Commissioner's sole discretion, due to extenuating circumstances. Such electronic payment shall be made in accordance with ordinary State procedures and practices.

The Contractor shall comply with the State Comptroller's procedures to authorize electric payments. Authorization forms are available at the State Comptroller's website at www.osc.state.ny.us/epay/index.htm, by email at epunit@osc.state.ny.us, or by telephone at (518) 474-4032. Contractor acknowledges that it will not receive payment on any invoices submitted under this Contract if it does not comply with the State Comptroller's electronic payment procedures, except where the Commissioner has expressly authorized payment by paper check as set forth above.

Please note that in conjunction with New York State's implementation of a Statewide Financial System (SFS), the Office of the State Comptroller requires all vendors doing business with New York State agencies to complete a substitute W-9 form. Vendors registering for electronic payment can complete the W-9 form when they register. Vendors already registered for electronic payment are requested to go to the above website and complete the Substitute W-9 form and submit following the instructions provided.

ESTIMATED / SPECIFIC QUANTITY CONTRACTS:

Estimated quantity contracts are expressly agreed and understood to be made for only the quantities, if any, actually ordered during the Contract term. No guarantee of any quantity(s) is implied or given. Purchases by Authorized Users from Contracts for services and technology are voluntary. With respect to any specific quantity stated in the contract, the Commissioner reserves the right after award to order up to 20% more or less (rounded to the next highest whole number) than the specific quantities called for in the Contract.

BILLING:

Payment will be based on an invoice used in the supplier's normal course of business. Each company invoice must be itemized and include the following information:

- 1. A unique invoice number
- 2. New York State Contract Number
- 3. Contractor's New York State Supplier (Vendor) ID
- 4. Purchase Order Number
- 5. Purchase Order Line Number and Description

Invoices without the above stated information will be returned to Contractor to be completed as required in the paragraph above. Payment will not be issued and will not be due and owing until a corrected invoice is received and approved by DOCCS.

All Invoices are to be submitted for payment to:

Business Service Center Accounts Payable -or- accountspayable@ogs.ny.gov
1220 Washington Ave., Building 5, 5th Floor
Albany, NY 12226

INTEREST:

Interest on late payment is governed by State Finance Law, Section 179-M.

CONTRACT PERIOD AND RENEWALS:

It is the intention of the State to enter into a contract for a period of two (2) years with three (3) one-year optional renewals as stated on the Invitation for Bids except that the commencement and termination dates appearing on the Invitation for Bids may be adjusted forward unilaterally by the State for any resulting contract for up to two calendar months, by indicating such change on the Contract Award Notification.

The contract dates may be adjusted forward beyond two months only with the approval of the successful bidder. If, however, the bidder is not willing to accept an adjustment of the contract dates beyond the two-month period, the State reserves the right to proceed with an award to another bidder.

If mutually agreed between the Department of Corrections and Community Supervision and the contractor, the contract may be renewed under the same terms and conditions for additional period(s) not to exceed a total contract term of five (5) years.

REJECTION:

The State reserves the right to reject an obviously unbalanced bid or to make "NO AWARD" on individual listings or sub-items if individual bid prices are deemed to be unbalanced or excessive or if an error in the solicitation becomes evident. In such case, ranking and evaluation of bids may be made on remaining items. Award would be made on the remaining items. The determination of an unbalanced bid shall be at the sole discretion of the State. Options contained in this paragraph shall also be at the State's sole discretion.

PRICE ADJUSTMENT:

Price shall remain firm for the first year. Thirty days prior to each anniversary date of the award, the Contractor may request a rate change (increase or decrease) based upon fluctuations in the latest published copy of the Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers as published by the U S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Washington, D.C. 20212. (Specifically—Northeast Urban, Not Seasonally Adjusted, Services, Series ID: CUUR0100SAS). The index is also available through the Internet at the US Bureau of Labor Statistics web site at www.bls.gov.

If during the time the Price Adjustment is requested, and the above series ID is discontinued or not available, the State reserves the right to implement another applicable index.

Price adjustments using the CPI involve changing the base payment by the percent change in the level of the CPI between the reference period and a subsequent time period. This is calculated by first determining the index point change between the two periods and then the percent change. The price adjustment shall be calculated as follows. Take the CPI for the 3rd month prior to the month of the start date of the awarded contract and subtract this figure from the CPI value for the 3rd month prior to the anniversary date of the awarded contract. (e.g.: If contract begins in June, use the March CPI) That sum is then divided by the CPI value for the original 3rd month prior to start date and this result is then multiplied by 100 to equal the percent change which is the price adjustment value. This percentage of increase or decrease shall be applied to the next contract year, effective on the anniversary date of the contract. The following example illustrates the computation of percent change:

Example	(fictitious)):
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CPI for current period	136.0
Less CPI for previous period	129.9
Equals index point change	6.1
Divided by previous period CPI	129.9
Equals	0.047
Result multiplied by 100	0.047 x 100
Equals percent change	4.7

The Contractor has the sole responsibility to submit invoices at the adjusted rate on the applicable anniversary date and shall provide a copy of the index and other supporting documentation necessary to support the increase or decrease to the Authorized User, as appropriate. Should the Contractor fail to submit adjusted invoices and/or supporting documentation within three (3) months after the applicable anniversary date, the Contractor shall be deemed to have waived its right to any increase in price for that year, but the State shall not be barred from making the appropriate adjustment in the case of a decrease determined in accordance with the above methodology.

CANCELLATION FOR CAUSE AND CONVENIENCE:

This agreement may be terminated by mutual agreement upon thirty (30) days' written notice. Also, the NYS DOCCS may terminate the agreement immediately for cause, upon written notice, if the contractor fails to comply with the terms and conditions of this agreement and/or with any laws, rules, regulations, policies or procedures of the State of New York affecting this agreement.

The State of New York retains the right to cancel this contract, in whole or in part without reason provided that the Contractor is given at least thirty (30) days notice of its intent to cancel. This provision should not be understood as waiving the State's right to terminate the contract for cause or stop work immediately for unsatisfactory work, but is supplementary to that provision. Any such cancellation shall have no effect on existing Agency agreements, which are subject to the same 30-day discretionary cancellation or cancellation for cause by the respective user Agencies.

QUALIFICATION OF BIDDER:

Bidder must maintain a business establishment with adequate staff for the services offered, and must be capable of processing and delivering services.

DOCCS may require a certificate from the bidder showing the number of years the bidder has been active in selling the service offered.

DOCCS reserves the right to investigate or make any inquiry into the capabilities of any bidder to properly perform under any resultant contract.

PREVAILING WAGE RATES - PUBLIC WORKS AND BUILDING SERVICES CONTRACTS:

Work being bid is subject to the prevailing wage rate provisions of New York State Labor Law. Any federal or State determination of a violation of any public works law or regulation, or labor law or regulation, or any OSHA violation deemed "serious or willful" could be grounds for a determination of vendor non-responsibility and rejection of bid. If you have any questions or to obtain Prevailing Wage Rates please contact the NYS Department of Labor, Bureau of Public Works at www.labor.ny.gov

The applicable prevailing wage rate schedule for this project is: PRC#202000691

INDEMNIFICATION:

The Contractor shall assume all risks of liability for its performance, or that of any of its officers, employees, subcontractors or agents, of any contract resulting from this solicitation and shall be solely responsible and liable for all liabilities, losses, damages, costs or expenses, including attorney's fees, arising from any claim, action or proceeding relating to or in any way connected with the performance of this Agreement and covenants and agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the State of New York, its agents, officers and employees, from any and all claims, suits, causes of action and losses of whatever kind and nature, arising out of or in connection with its performance of any contract resulting from this solicitation, including negligence, active or passive or improper conduct of the Contractor, its officers, agents, subcontractors or employees, or the failure by the Contractor, its officers, agents, subcontractors or employees to perform any obligations or commitments to the State or third parties arising out of or resulting from any contract resulting from this solicitation. The Contractor's duty to indemnify shall cover direct, indirect, special, and consequential damages. Such indemnity shall not be limited to the insurance coverage herein prescribed.

CONTRACTOR INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS:

Prior to the commencement of the work to be performed by the Contractor hereunder, the Contractor shall file with The People of the State of New York, DOCCS, Certificates of Insurance (hereinafter referred to as "Certificates").

evidencing compliance with all requirements. Such Certificates shall be of a form and substance acceptable to DOCCS.

Certificate acceptance and/or approval by DOCCS does not and shall not be construed to relieve Contractor of any obligations, responsibilities or liabilities under the Contract.

Contractors shall be required to procure, at their sole cost and expense, and shall maintain in force at all times during the term of any Contract resulting from this Solicitation, policies of insurance as required by this Section. All insurance required by this Section shall be written by companies that have an A.M. Best Company rating of "A-," Class "VII" or better. In addition, companies writing insurance intended to comply with the requirements of this Section should be licensed or authorized by the New York State Department of Financial Services to issue insurance in the State of New York. DOCCS may, in its sole discretion, accept policies of insurance written by a non-authorized carrier or carriers when certificates and/or other policy documents are accompanied by a completed Excess Lines Association of New York (ELANY) affidavit or other documents demonstrating the company's strong financial rating. If, during the term of a policy, the carrier's A.M. Best rating falls below "A-," Class "VII," the insurance must be replaced, on or before the renewal date of the policy, with insurance that meets the requirements above.

Bidders and Contractors shall deliver to DOCCS evidence of the insurance required by this Solicitation and any Contract resulting from this Solicitation in a form satisfactory to DOCCS. Policies must be written in accordance with the requirements of the paragraphs below, as applicable.

While acceptance of insurance documentation shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed, acceptance and/or approval by DOCCS does not, and shall not be construed to, relieve Bidders or Contractors of any obligations, responsibilities or liabilities under this Solicitation or any Contract resulting from this Solicitation.

The Contractor shall not take any action, or omit to take any action that would suspend or invalidate any of the required coverages during the term of the Contract.

- A. **General Conditions Applicable to Insurance** All policies of insurance required by this Solicitation or any Contract resulting from this Solicitation shall comply with the following requirements:
 - 1. **Coverage Types and Policy Limits** The types of coverage and policy limits required from Bidders and Contractors are specified in Paragraph B Insurance Requirements below.
 - Policy Forms Except as otherwise specifically provided herein, or agreed to in the Contract resulting from this Solicitation, all policies of insurance required by this Section shall be written on an occurrence basis.
 - 3. Certificates of Insurance/Notices Bidders and Contractors shall provide DOCCS with a Certificate or Certificates of Insurance, in a form satisfactory to DOCCS as detailed below, and pursuant to the timelines set forth in Section B below. Certificates shall reference the Solicitation or award number and shall name The New York State Department of Corrections and Community Supervision, Harriman Campus, 1220 Washington Avenue, Albany, New York 12226-2050, as the certificate holder.

Certificates of Insurance shall:

- Be in the form acceptable to DOCCS and in accordance with the New York State Insurance Law (e.g., an ACORD certificate);
- Disclose any deductible, self-insured retention, aggregate limit or exclusion to the policy that materially changes the coverage required by this Solicitation or any Contract resulting from this Solicitation;
- Refer to this Solicitation and any Contract resulting from this Solicitation by award number;
- Be signed by an authorized representative of the referenced insurance carriers; and
- Contain the following language in the Description of Operations / Locations / Vehicles section:
 Additional insured protection afforded is on a primary and non-contributory basis. A waiver of
 subrogation is granted in favor of the additional insureds.

Only original documents (certificates of insurance and any endorsements and other attachments) or electronic versions of the same that can be directly traced back to the insurer, agent or broker via e-mail distribution or similar means will be accepted. DOCCS generally requires Contractors to submit only certificates of insurance and additional insured endorsements, although DOCCS reserves the right to request other proof of insurance. Contractors should refrain from submitting entire insurance policies, unless specifically requested by DOCCS. If an entire insurance policy is submitted but not requested, DOCCS shall not be obligated to review and shall not be chargeable with knowledge of its contents. In addition, submission of an entire insurance policy not requested by DOCCS does not constitute proof of compliance with the insurance requirements and does not discharge Contractors from submitting the requested insurance documentation.

- 4. Primary Coverage. All liability insurance policies shall provide that the required coverage shall be primary and non-contributory to other insurance available to the People of the State of New York, the New York State Department of Corrections and Community Supervision, any entity authorized by law or regulation to use the Contract and their officers, agents, and employees. Any other insurance maintained by the People of the State of New York, the New York State Department of Corrections and Community Supervision, any entity authorized by law or regulation to use the Contract and their officers, agents, and employees shall be excess of all applicable Contractor's insurance, including any umbrella and/or excess policies, and shall not contribute with the Bidder/Contractor's insurance.
- 5. Breach for Lack of Proof of Coverage. The failure to comply with the requirements of this Section at any time during the term of the Contract shall be considered a breach of the terms of the Contract and shall allow the People of the State of New York, the New York State Department of Corrections and Community Supervision, any entity authorized by law or regulation to use the Contract and their officers, agents, and employees to avail themselves of all remedies available under the Contract or at law or in equity.

- 6. Self-Insured Retention/Deductibles. Certificates of Insurance must indicate the applicable deductibles/self-insured retentions for each listed policy. Deductibles or self-insured retentions above \$100,000.00 are subject to approval from DOCCS. Such approval shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed. Bidders and Contractors shall be solely responsible for all claim expenses and loss payments within the deductibles or self-insured retentions. If the Bidder/Contractor is providing the required insurance through self-insurance, evidence of the financial capacity to support the self-insurance program along with a description of that program, including, but not limited to, information regarding the use of a third-party administrator shall be provided upon request. If the Contractor is unable to meet their obligation under any deductible, self-insured retention or self-insurance, neither the People of the State of New York nor DOCCS will be obligated to drop down to cover those amounts.
- 7. **Subcontractors.** Prior to the commencement of any work by a Subcontractor, the Contractor shall require such Subcontractor to procure policies of insurance as required by this Section and maintain the same in force during the term of any work performed by that Subcontractor.
- 8. Waiver of Subrogation. For all liability policies and the workers' compensation insurance required below, the Bidder/Contractor shall cause to be included in its policies insuring against loss, damage or destruction by fire or other insured casualty a waiver of the insurer's right of subrogation against The People of the State of New York, the New York State Department of Corrections and Community Supervision, any entity authorized by law or regulation to use the Contract and their officers, agents, and employees, or, if such waiver is unobtainable (i) an express agreement that such policy shall not be invalidated if the Contractor waives or has waived before the casualty, the right of recovery against The People of the State of New York, the New York State Department of Corrections and Community Supervision, any entity authorized by law or regulation to use the Contract and their officers, agents, and employees or (ii) any other form of permission for the release of The People of the State of New York, the New York State Department of Corrections and Community Supervision, any entity authorized by law or regulation to use the Contract and their officers, agents, and employees. A Waiver of Subrogation Endorsement shall be provided upon request. A blanket Waiver of Subrogation Endorsement evidencing such coverage is also acceptable.
- 9. Additional Insured. The Contractor shall cause to be included in each of the liability policies required below, ISO form CG 20 10 11 85 (or a form or forms that provide equivalent coverage, such as the combination of CG 20 10 04 13 and CG 20 37 04 13) and form CA 20 48 10 13 (or a form or forms that provide equivalent coverage), naming as additional insureds: The People of the State of New York, the New York State Department of Corrections and Community Supervision, any entity authorized by law or regulation to use the Contract and their officers, agents, and employees. An Additional Insured Endorsement evidencing such coverage shall be provided to DOCCS pursuant to the timelines set forth in Section B below. A blanket Additional Insured Endorsement evidencing such coverage is also acceptable. For Contractors who are self-insured, the Contractor shall be obligated to defend and indemnify the above-named additional insureds with respect to Commercial General Liability and Business Automobile Liability, in the same manner that the Contractor would have been required to pursuant to this Section had the Contractor obtained such insurance policies.
- 10. Excess/Umbrella Liability Policies. Required insurance coverage limits may be provided through a combination of primary and excess/umbrella liability policies; however, a minimum of one million dollars (\$1,000,000.00) must be primary coverage for general liability and auto liability. All Contractor's applicable insurance policies, including umbrella and excess insurance, will be primary to any insurance, self-insurance, deductible or self- insured retention of The People of the State of New York, the New York State Department of Corrections and Community Supervision, or any entity authorized by law or regulation to use the Contract and their officers, agents, and employees.
- 11. If coverage limits are provided through excess/umbrella liability policies, then a Schedule of underlying insurance listing policy information for all underlying insurance policies (insurer, policy number, policy term, coverage and limits of insurance), including proof that the excess/umbrella insurance follows form must be provided upon request.

- 12. **Notice of Cancellation or Non-Renewal.** Policies shall be written so as to include the requirements for notice of cancellation or non-renewal in accordance with the New York State Insurance Law. Within five (5) business days of receipt of any notice of cancellation or non-renewal of insurance, the Contractor shall provide DOCCS with a copy of any such notice received from an insurer together with proof of replacement coverage that complies with the insurance requirements of this Solicitation and any Contract resulting from this Solicitation.
- 13. Policy Renewal/Expiration Upon policy renewal/expiration, evidence of renewal or replacement of coverage that complies with the insurance requirements set forth in this Solicitation and any contract resulting from this Solicitation shall be delivered to DOCCS. If, at any time during the term of any Contract resulting from this Solicitation, the coverage provisions and limits of the policies required herein do not meet the provisions and limits set forth in this Solicitation or any Contract resulting from this Solicitation, or proof thereof is not provided to DOCCS, the Contractor shall immediately cease work. The Contractor shall not resume work until authorized to do so by DOCCS.
- 14. Deadlines for Providing Insurance Documents after Renewal or Upon Request. As set forth herein, certain insurance documents must be provided to the DOCCS Procurement Services contact identified in the Contract Award Notice after renewal or upon request. This requirement means that the Contractor shall provide the applicable insurance document to DOCCS as soon as possible but in no event later than the following time periods:
 - For certificates of insurance: 5 business days
 - For information on self-insurance or self-retention programs: 15 calendar days
 - For other requested documentation evidencing coverage: 15 calendar days
 - For additional insured and waiver of subrogation endorsements: 30 calendar days

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Contractor shall have promptly requested the insurance documents from its broker or insurer and shall have thereafter diligently taken all steps necessary to obtain such documents from its insurer and submit them to DOCCS, DOCCS shall extend the time period for a reasonable period under the circumstances, but in no event shall the extension exceed 30 calendar days.

B. Insurance Requirements

Bidders and Contractors shall obtain and maintain in full force and effect, throughout the term of any Contract resulting from this Solicitation, at their own expense, the following insurance with limits not less than those described below and as required by the terms of any Contract resulting from this Solicitation, or as required by law, whichever is greater:

Ir	Proof of Coverage is Due	
Commercial General Liability	[Not less than \$2,000,000 each occurrence]	Updated in accordance
General Aggregate	\$2,000,000	with Contract
Products – Completed Operations Aggregate	\$2,000,000	
Personal and Advertising Injury	\$1,000,000	
Medical Expenses Limit	\$5,000	
Business Automobile Liability Insurance	[Not less than \$2,000,000 each occurrence]	
Workers' Compensation		
Disability Benefits		

 Commercial General Liability Insurance: Such liability shall be written on the current edition of ISO occurrence form CG 00 01, or a substitute form providing equivalent coverage and shall cover liability arising from premises operations, independent contractors, products-completed operations, broad form property damage, personal & advertising injury, cross liability coverage, liability assumed in a contract (including the tort liability of another assumed in a contract) [and explosion, collapse & underground coverage].

Policy shall include bodily injury, property damage and broad form contractual liability coverage.

- General Aggregate
- Products Completed Operations Aggregate
- Personal and Advertising Injury
- Each Occurrence

Coverage shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

- Premises liability;
- Independent contractors
- Blanket contractual liability, including tort liability of another assumed in a contract;
- Defense and/or indemnification obligations, including obligations assumed under the Contract:
- Cross liability for additional insureds;
- Products/completed operations for a term of no less than three [1-3] years, commencing upon acceptance of the work, as required by the Contract;
- [Explosion, collapse and underground hazards; and
- Contractor means and methods].
- 2. Business Automobile Liability Insurance: Such insurance shall cover liability arising out of any automobile used in connection with performance under the Contract, including owned, leased, hired and non-owned automobiles bearing or, under the circumstances under which they are being used, required by the Motor Vehicles Laws of the State of New York to bear, license plates.

In the event that the Contractor does not own, lease or hire any automobiles used in connection with performance under the Contract, the Contractor does not need to obtain Business Automobile Liability Insurance, but must attest to the fact that the Contractor does not own, lease or hire any automobiles used in connection with performance under the Contract on a form provided by DOCCS. If, however, during the term of the Contract, the Contractor acquires, leases or hires any automobiles that will be used in connection with performance under the Contract, the Contractor must obtain Business

Automobile Liability Insurance that meets all of the requirements of this section and provide proof of such coverage to DOCCS in accordance with the insurance requirements of any Contract resulting from this Solicitation.

In the event that the Contractor does not own or lease any automobiles used in connection with performance under the Contract, but the Contractor does subcontract, hire and/or utilize non-owned automobiles in connection with performance under the Contract, the Contractor, subcontractor or owner of the automobile(s) must: (i) obtain Business Automobile Liability Insurance as required by this Solicitation or any Contract resulting from this Solicitation, except that such insurance may be limited to liability arising out of hired and/or non-owned automobiles, as applicable; and (ii) attest to the fact that the Contractor does not own or lease any automobiles used in connection with performance under the Contract, on a form provided by DOCCS. If, however, during the term of the Contract, the Contractor acquires or leases any automobiles that will be used in connection with performance under the Contract, the Contractor must obtain Business Automobile Liability Insurance that meets all of the requirements of this Section and provide proof of such coverage to DOCCS in accordance with the insurance requirements of any Contract resulting from this Solicitation.

3. Workers' Compensation Insurance and Disability Benefits Requirements:

Sections 57 and 220 of the New York State Workers' Compensation Law require the heads of all municipal and state entities to ensure that businesses applying for contracts have appropriate workers' compensation and disability benefits insurance coverage. These requirements apply to both original contracts and renewals. Failure to provide proper proof of such coverage or a legal exemption will result in a rejection of a Bid or any contract renewal.

A Bidder will not be awarded a Contract unless proof of workers' compensation and disability insurance is provided to DOCCS. Proof of workers' compensation and disability benefits coverage, or proof of exemption must be submitted to DOCCS at the time of Bid submission, policy renewal, contract renewal, and upon request. Proof of compliance must be submitted on one of the following forms designated by the New York State Workers' Compensation Board. An ACORD form is not acceptable proof of New York State workers' compensation or disability benefits insurance coverage.

Proof of Compliance with Workers' Compensation Coverage Requirements:

- Form CE-200, Certificate of Attestation for New York Entities With No Employees and Certain Out of State Entities, That New York State Workers' Compensation and/or Disability Benefits Insurance Coverage is Not Required, which is available on the Workers' Compensation Board's website (www.wcb.ny.gov);
- Form C-105.2 (9/07), Certificate of Workers' Compensation Insurance, sent to DOCCS by the Contractor's insurance carrier upon request, or if coverage is provided by the New York State Insurance Fund, they will provide Form U-26.3 to DOCCS upon request from the Contractor; or
- Form SI-12, Certificate of Workers' Compensation Self-Insurance, available from the New York State Workers' Compensation Board's Self-Insurance Office, or
- Form GSI-105.2, Certificate of Participation in Workers' Compensation Group Self-Insurance, available from the Contractor's Group Self-Insurance Administrator.

Proof of Compliance with Disability Benefits Coverage Requirements:

- Form CE-200, Certificate of Attestation for New York Entities With No Employees and Certain Out of State Entities, That New York State Workers' Compensation and/or Disability Benefits Insurance Coverage is Not Required, which is available on the Workers' Compensation Board's website (www.wcb.ny.gov);
- Form DB-120.1, Certificate of Disability Benefits Insurance, sent to DOCCS by the Contractor's insurance carrier upon request; or
- Form DB-155, Certificate of Disability Benefits Self-Insurance, available from the New York State Workers' Compensation Board's Self-Insurance Office.

An instruction manual clarifying the New York State Workers' Compensation Law requirements is available for download at the New York State Workers' Compensation Board's website at http://www.wcb.ny.gov. Once on the site, click on the Employers/Businesses tab and then click on Employers' Handbook.

Workers' Compensation - http://www.wcb.ny.gov/content/onlineforms/obtainC105.jsp
Disability Benefits - http://www.wcb.ny.gov/content/onlineforms/obtainDB120-1.jsp
Exemption http://www.wcb.ny.gov/content/obiz/wc_db_exemptions/requestExemptionOverview.isp

ALL OF THE ABOVE-REFERENCED FORMS, EXCEPT CE-200, SI-12 & DB-155 MUST NAME:

Green Haven Correctional Facility 594 Route 216, Stormville, NY 12582 as the Entity Requesting Proof of Coverage (Entity being listed as the Certificate Holder)

REFERENCES:

As per the "Vendor Responsibility Disclosure" clause, bidders may be required to provide references of the bidder's largest customers. References shall be commercial or governmental accounts, and should demonstrate the ability of the vendor to perform jobs similar in scope to the size, nature and complexity of the outlined bid. The references shall include the:

- Name, address, contact person, telephone number, fax number, and number of years bidder has serviced the referenced account;
- Volume of business performed within the past three years for each referenced account.

FINANCIAL STABILITY:

As per the "Vendor Responsibility Disclosure" clause, bidder may be required to document its ability to service a contract with dollar sales volume similar to scope of this bid through submission of financial statements documenting past sales history. The bidder must be financially stable and able to substantiate the financial statements of its company. In addition to sales history, current financial statements may be requested and must be provided within five business days. The state reserves the right to request additional documentation from the bidder and to request reports on financial stability from independent financial rating services. The state reserves the right to reject any bidder who does not demonstrate financial stability sufficient for the scope of this bid.

USE OF RECYCLED OR REMANUFACTURED MATERIALS:

New York State, as a member of the Council of Great Lakes Governors, supports and encourages vendors to use recycled, remanufactured or recovered materials in the manufacture of products and packaging to the maximum extent practicable without jeopardizing the performance or intended end use of the product or packaging unless such use is precluded due to health or safety requirements or product specifications contained herein. Refurbished or remanufactured components or products are required to be restored to original performance and regulatory standards and functions and are required to meet all other requirements of this bid solicitation. Warranties on refurbished or remanufactured components or products must be identical to the manufacturer's new equipment warranty or industry's normal warranty when re-manufacturer does not offer new equipment. See "Recycled or Recovered Materials" in Appendix B, General Specifications.

INFORMATION TO BE FURNISHED WITH BID:

The bidder shall submit with its bid detailed specifications, circulars and all necessary data on the services to be furnished. If the services offered differ from the provisions listed, such differences must be explained in detail. Failure to submit any of the above data may result in rejection of the bid. The State, however, reserves the right to request any additional information deemed necessary for the proper evaluation of bids.

EPA ENERGY STAR PROGRAM:

The Federal EPA, in cooperation with manufacturers, continues a program to foster the manufacture of energy efficient equipment. New York State fully supports this effort and requires all products offered to comply with EPA Energy Star guidelines for energy efficiency. The State may discontinue use of and/or delete from contract selected products as mandated by any NYS energy legislation that is enacted during the term of this contract. The contractor shall have no recourse with the State for such discontinuance/deletion.

PREFERRED SOURCE NOTE:

All bidders should note that certain legally established preferred source suppliers, such as Correctional Industries (Corcraft), New York State Preferred Source Program For People Who Are Blind, and NYS Industries for the Disabled have expressed an interest in supplying products/services covered by this solicitation. Therefore, one or more of these suppliers may be designated as a "Preferred Source" and as a result, we may issue no award for the products/services affected.

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS The Bidder agrees:

- 1. to adhere to all State and Federal laws and regulations in connection with the contract; and,
- 2. to notify DOCCS of any changes in the legal status or principal ownership of the firm, forty-five (45) days in advance of said change.
- **3.** that in any contract resulting from this IFB, it shall be completely responsible for its work, including any damages or breakdowns caused by its failure to take appropriate action; and,
- **4.** that any contract resulting from this IFB may not be assigned, transferred, conveyed or the work subcontracted without the prior written consent of the Commissioner of DOCCS.
- 5. that for reasons of safety and public policy, in any contract resulting from this IFB, the use of illegal drugs and/or alcoholic beverages by the Contractor or its personnel shall not be permitted while performing any phase of the work herein specified.
- **6.** that the Commissioner's interpretation of specifications shall be final and binding upon the Contractor.
- 7. that the Commissioner of DOCCS will make no allowance or concession to the Bidder for any alleged misunderstanding because of quantity, quality, character, location or other conditions.
- 8. that should it appear that there is a real or apparent discrepancy between different sections of specifications concerning the nature, quality or extent of work to be furnished, it shall be assumed that the Bidder has based its bid on the more expensive option. Final decision will rest with the Commissioner of DOCCS. that for the purposes of any contract resulting from this IFB, the quality of service is subject to inspection and may be made at any reasonable time by the State of New York. Should it be found that quality of services being performed is not satisfactory and that the requirements of the specifications are not being met, the Commissioner DOCCS may terminate the contract and employ another contractor to fulfill the requirements of the contract. The existing Contractor shall be liable to the State of New York for costs incurred on account thereof.
- 9. that the Commissioner of DOCCS reserves the right to stop the work covered by this IFB and any contract(s) resulting therefrom at any time that it is deemed the successful Bidder is unable or incapable of performing the work to the state's satisfaction. In the event of such stopping, DOCCS shall have the right to arrange for the completion of the work in such manner as it may deem advisable and if the cost thereof exceeds the amount of the bid, the successful Bidder shall be liable to the State of New York for any such costs on account thereof. In the event that DOCCS issues a stop work order for the work as provided herein, the Contractor shall have ten (10) working days to respond thereto before any such stop work order shall become effective.
- **10.** that it is the Contractor's responsibility to maintain the equipment and materials provided for the work consistent with applicable safety and health codes.

PROCUREMENT RIGHTS

The State of New York DOCCS reserves the rights for the following:

- 1. Reject any and all bids received in response to this Solicitation.
- 2. Disqualify a Bidder from receiving the award if the Bidder, or anyone in the Bidder's employ, has previously failed to perform satisfactorily in connection with public bidding or contracts.
- **3.** Correct Bidders' mathematical errors and waive or modify other minor irregularities in bids received, after prior notification to the Bidder.
- **4.** Adjust any Bidder's expected costs of the bid price based on a determination of the evaluation committee that the selection of the said Bidder will cause the State to incur additional costs.
- 5. Utilize any and all ideas submitted in the bids received.
- **6.** Negotiate with Bidders responding to this Solicitation within the Solicitation requirements to serve the best interests of the State.
- 7. Begin contract negotiations with another bidding Contractor(s) to serve the best interests of the State should DOCCS be unsuccessful negotiating a contract with the selected Contractor within 21 days of selection notification.
- 8. Waive any non-material requirement not met by all Bidders.
- 9. Not make an award from this Solicitation.
- 10. Make an award under this Solicitation in whole or in part.
- 11. Make multiple contract awards pursuant to the Solicitation.

- **12.** Have any service completed via separate competitive bid or other means, as determined to be in the best interest of the State.
- 13. Seek clarifications of bids.
- **14.** If two or more offers are found to be substantially equivalent, the Commissioner of DOCCS, at his sole discretion, will determine award.

Please Note: The State is not liable for any costs incurred by Bidders in the preparation and production of bids or for any work performed prior to the issuance of a contract.

MANDATORY SITE VISIT:

Each bidder **must** visit the site prior to the bid opening to familiarize itself with the facilities at the agency. Failure to attend the mandatory site visit will result in rejection of the bid. Prospective bidders arriving after the substantive portion of the site visit begins (as reasonably determined by the facility manager) will be precluded from attending the site visit, and therefore unable to submit a responsive bid.

Bidders intending to submit a bid will be required to attend a mandatory site visit, which will include an informational meeting and a tour of the Facility on Thursday, February 27, 2020, at 10:00am. This is the only date and time available for inspection. Alternate dates for additional site inspections will not be available. It is recommended that attendees arrive at least thirty minutes prior to scheduled time of the site visit with photo identification.

Due to security restrictions, all Bidders must pre-register for the site visit by contacting Plant Superintendent Dale Rabideau by phone at 845-221-2711 ext. 3950 or by e-mail at Dale.Rabideau@doccs.ny.gov by 10:00 AM, Wednesday, February 26, 2020.

In accordance with State Finance Law §139-j(3)(a)(3), this mandatory site visit is covered by the permissible subject matter authorization. A vendor is authorized to speak with representatives other than Designated Contact(s) for the sole purpose of the site visit (to arrange attendance, during the conduct of the visit and to pose questions regarding the site).

The site visit will provide an opportunity for Bidders to see firsthand the existing equipment, the tasks to be performed and the special needs of the facility. Questions during the site visit will be permitted. It is suggested that the bidder note the question and ask at the end of the tour. Completion of the Site Visit Verification Form is required and will be available to sign at the time of the Site Visit.

Verbal answers are not official answers. All questions asked at the conference or after the tour must be submitted via email to the designated contact for this solicitation no later than March 5, 2020, at 3:00 PM EST. Official answers to all questions will be answered in the form of an addendum and distributed via email to all attendees of the mandatory site visit. Only answers provided by addendum are considered official.

NOTE: If there are any questions Bidders would like addressed at the site visit, Bidders should submit them in writing to the designated contact prior to the date of the site visit. Questions during the site visit will be permitted; however, only questions submitted in writing and answered via addendum will be considered official.

BID SPECIFICATIONS

<u>OBJECTIVE</u> The New York State Department of Corrections and Community Supervision requires the services of a certified Grade IIA Water Treatment Plant Operator at the Green Haven Correctional Facility in Stormville, NY. The intent of this bid is to find qualified contractors in the performance of the operations of all systems within the buildings including, but not limited to, adequately maintaining proper control over and responsible charge of a Grade IIA water treatment facility (as defined by new York State Sanitary Code).

<u>MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS</u> Graduation from high school or possession of a New York State high school equivalency diploma, successful completion of appropriate level water treatment operator courses approved by the New York State State Department of Health and one year of acceptable operating experience at a plant with an appropriate level of complexity. The contractor shall meet the minimum requirements for a back-up certified operator in accordance with Subpart 5.4 of the New York State Sanitary Code.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS Possession of a Grade IIA Water Treatment Operations certificate or an equivalent to be reviewed and approved by the New York State Department of Health and the New York State Department of Corrections and Community Supervision.

REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES The position involves control over and responsible charge of a Grade IIA water treatment facility (as defined by New York State Sanitary Code). Employees in this class are responsible for control of the facility's treatment processes subject to the administrative superior who allows leeway for the exercise of independent judgment in carrying out technical details of the work. Contractor shall be experienced in the operations of a drinking water facility and possess the knowledge, skills, and abilities described below:

- Thorough knowledge of the practices used and equipment required in the operation and maintenance
 of a Grade IIA Water System containing facilities for water treatment;
- Understanding of the principles and applications of physics, chemistry, and bacteriology as they
 relate to water purification;
- Ability to supervise the operation and repair of pumps, valves, and related mechanical and electrical equipment;
- Ability to make routine laboratory and field tests for control of plant operation;
- Ability to plan and supervise the work of subordinates;
- Mechanical aptitude;
- Alertness and dependability;
- Good physical condition.

WORK DUTIES

- Ensure the production operation of finished water, inclusive of filtration, chemical treatment, laboratory surveillance, quality control, pumping and water system maintenance;
- Supervise the operation of the water plant to assure the most efficient and economical use of equipment, supplies and manpower;
- Make daily inspections of plant and plant operations during required shifts;
- Make or supervise necessary tests for control of plant operations during required shifts;
- Issue instructions for the regulation of chlorinators and chemical feeders;
- Conduct periodic examinations of plant equipment and complete necessary repairs and maintenance;
- Ensure that a maintenance program is maintained and implemented for all equipment;

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- Ensure that all regulatory and process-required sampling is completed on schedule during required shifts;
- Compile statistics on operations to evaluate plant performance;
- Conduct special studies for improvement of water quality and plant operations;
- Requisition materials and maintain inventory of supplies, chemicals, and equipment;
- Maintain records and prepare periodic reports on the operation of the plant

Work Shifts

DOCCS has two Grade IIA Water Treatment Plant Operator positions at Green Haven Correctional Facility. Currently one position (Employee A) is vacant and requires full-time coverage. The second position (Employee B) will require coverage for vacation and personal days.

DAY	7:00 AM – 3:00 PM	3:00 PM - 11:00 PM	11:00 PM – 7:00 AM
Sunday	Employee A (mandatory coverage through bid)	Maintain Full Tank (mandatory coverage through bid)	N/A
Monday	Employee A (mandatory coverage through bid)	Maintain Full Tank (mandatory coverage through bid)	N/A
Tuesday	Employee A (mandatory coverage through bid)	Employee B (as needed basis for vacation/personal days)	N/A
Wednesday	Employee A (mandatory coverage through bid)	Employee B (as needed basis for vacation/personal days)	N/A
Thursday	Employee A (mandatory coverage through bid)	Employee B (as needed basis for vacation/personal days)	N/A
Friday	Employee B (as needed basis for vacation/personal days)	Maintain Full Tank (mandatory coverage through bid)	N/A
Saturday	Employee B (as needed basis for vacation/personal days)	Maintain Full Tank (mandatory coverage through bid)	N/A

Mandatory Shifts: Sunday and Monday, 7:00 AM – 3:00 PM and 3:00 PM – 11:00 PM

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 7:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Friday, Saturday, 3:00 PM - 11:00 PM

Maintain Full Tank: Friday through Monday, 3:00 PM - 11:00 PM (full shift not required if tank is full)

Holidays: New Year's Day, Martin Luther King Day, Presidents' Day, Easter, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Columbus Day, Veterans Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas

As Needed Basis: Cover Employee B's scheduled vacation and personal days (approximately 25 days throughout the year and included in the estimated # of days on the bid page)

Coverage Upon Request: estimated at 14 days per year; must be on site within two (2) hours of notification

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BID PRICE PAGE

	DAY	SHIFT	\$ PER HOUR	TOTAL \$ PER 8 HOUR SHIFT	ESTIMATED # OF DAYS PER YEAR	ESTIMATED YEARLY TOTAL
1	Monday	7:00 AM – 3:00 PM	\$	\$	52	\$
2	Monday	3:00 PM – 11:00 PM	\$	\$	52	\$
3	Tuesday - Friday	7:00 AM – 3:00 PM	\$	\$	213	\$
4	Tuesday – Friday	3:00 PM – 11:00 PM	\$	\$	223	\$
5	Saturday	7:00 AM – 3:00 PM	\$	\$	57	\$
6	Saturday	3:00 PM – 11:00 PM	\$	\$	52	\$
7	Sunday	7:00 AM – 3:00 PM	\$	\$	52	\$
8	Sunday	3:00 PM – 11:00 PM	\$	\$	52	\$
9	Holidays	Both Shifts	\$	\$	11	\$
10	Coverage Upon Request	Both Shifts (report within two hours of notification)	\$	\$	14	\$
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NOTES:

- Bidders must provide rates for all lines.
- Estimated quantity contracts are expressly agreed and understood to be made for only the quantities, actually ordered during the Contract term. No guarantee of any quantity(s) is implied or given.
- Bid price shall be inclusive of all costs, including but not limited to, labor, installation, materials, parts, supplies, transportation, travel, licenses, insurance, administrative, profit, ancillary costs, and miscellaneous charges such as any applicable taxes or fees.

Signature:		
Printed Name:		
Title:		

PLEASE USE BLACK INK OR TYPEWRITER WHEN PREPARING YOUR BID. BE SURE YOU HAVE INSERTED YOUR COMPANY'S NAME IN THE BOX

Bidder

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NOTES TO BIDDERS: FAILURE TO ANSWER THE QUESTIONS WILL DELAY THE EVALUATION OF YOUR BID AND MAY RESULT IN REJECTION OF YOUR BID.

- Are prices quoted the same as or lower than those quoted other corporations, institutions and government agencies (including GSA/VA contracts) on similar products, quantities, terms and conditions?
 If "NO", please explain on a separate sheet.
- Do you have a contract with the General Services Administration (GSA) or Veterans Affairs (VA) for products offered? (Check all that apply.)

If yes, will you offer New York State pricing equal to or better than your GSA or VA pricing?

If yes, a copy of the GSA or VA schedule is required. Have you included a copy?

- Do you have your catalog available on the Internet?
 - If yes, do you have the ability to make NYS pricing available along with your catalog on line?
- Does bidder offer Electronic Access Ordering (EDI)?
- If awarded a contract, will bidder accept the New York
 State Procurement Card for orders not to exceed \$10,000
- If bidder limits the maximum acceptable card amount to less than \$10,000, please indicate the maximum amount:
- Additional discount for purchases made with the NYS Procurement Card:

RETURN THIS PAGE AS PART OF THE BID

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Person or persons to contact in the event of an emergency occurring after business hours or on weekend/holidays: State Normal Business Hours (Specify M-F, Sat, Sun):	(
Are you a New York State resident business?	YES NO
2. Total number of people employed by your business:	
Total number of people employed by your business in New York State:	
4. Is your business independently owned and operated?	YES NO
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7. ENCOURAGING USE OF NEW YORK STATE BUSINESSES IN CONTRACT PERFORMANCE

New York State businesses have a substantial presence in State Contracts and strongly contribute to the economies of the state and the nation. In recognition of their economic activity and leadership in doing business in New York State, Bidders/Proposers for this contract for commodities, services or technology are strongly encouraged and expected to consider New York State businesses in the fulfillment of the requirements of the Contract. Such partnering may be as subcontractors, suppliers, protégés or other supporting roles.

Bidders/Proposers need to be aware that all authorized users of this Contract will be strongly encouraged, to the maximum extent practical and consistent with legal requirements, to use responsible and responsive New York State businesses in purchasing commodities that are of equal quality and functionality and in utilizing services and technology. Furthermore, Bidders/Proposers are reminded that they must continue to utilize small, minority and women-owned businesses, consistent with current State law.

Utilizing New York State businesses in State Contracts will help create more private sector jobs, rebuild New York's infrastructure, and maximize economic activity to the mutual benefit of the Contractor and its New York State business partners. New York State businesses will promote the Contractor's optimal performance under the Contract, thereby fully benefiting the public-sector programs that are supported by associated procurements.

Public procurements can drive and improve the State's economic engine through promotion of the use of New York businesses by its Contractors. The State therefore expects Bidders/Proposers to provide maximum assistance to New York businesses in their use of the Contract. The potential participation by all kinds of New York businesses will deliver great value to the State and its taxpayers.

Bidders/Proposers can demonstrate their commitment to the use of New York State businesses by responding to the question below:

Will New York State Businesses be used in the performance of this Contract?

____YES _____NO

If yes, identify New York State Business(es) that will be used: (Attach identifying information)

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PROCUREMENT LOBBYING CERTIFICATION

By signing, the offerer/bidder affirms that it understands and agrees to comply with the NYS Office of General Services (OGS) procedures relative to permissible contacts, as required by State Finance Law §139-j and §139-k.

Procurement Lobbying information can be accessed at: https://ogs.ny.gov/acpl/

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Procurement Lobbying Termination

DOCCS reserves the right to terminate this contract in the event it is found that the certification filed by the Offeror/bidder in accordance with New York State Finance Law §139-k was intentionally false or intentionally incomplete. Upon such finding, DOCCS may exercise its termination right by providing written notice to the Offeror/bidder in accordance with the written notification terms of the contract.

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NYS REQUIRED CERTIFICATIONS

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 177 CERTIFICATION

The New York State Human Rights Law, Article 15 of the Executive Law, prohibits discrimination and harassment based on age, race, creed, color, national origin, sex, pregnancy or pregnancy-related conditions, sexual orientation, gender identity, disability, marital status, familial status, domestic violence victim status, prior arrest or conviction record, military status or predisposing genetic characteristics.

The Human Rights Law may also require reasonable accommodation for persons with disabilities and pregnancy-related conditions. A reasonable accommodation is an adjustment to a job or work environment that enables a person with a disability to perform the essential functions of a job in a reasonable manner. The Human Rights Law may also require reasonable accommodation in employment on the basis of Sabbath observance or religious practices.

Generally, the Human Rights Law applies to:

- all employers of four or more people, employment agencies, labor organizations and apprenticeship training programs in all instances of discrimination or harassment;
- employers with fewer than four employees in all cases involving sexual harassment; and,
- any employer of domestic workers in cases involving sexual harassment or harassment based on gender, race, religion or national origin.

In accordance with Executive Order No. 177, the Contractor hereby certifies that it does not have institutional policies or practices that fail to address the harassment and discrimination of individuals on the basis of their age, race, creed, color, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, disability, marital status, military status, or other protected status under the Human Rights Law.

Executive Order No. 177 and this certification do not affect institutional policies or practices that are protected by existing law, including but not limited to the First Amendment of the United States Constitution, Article 1, Section 3 of the New York State Constitution, and Section 296 (11) of the New York State Human Rights Law.

STATE FINANCE LAW § 139-L CERTIFICATION

Contractor and each person signing on behalf of any Contractor certifies, and in the case of a joint bid each party thereto certifies as to its own organization, under penalty of perjury, that the Contractor has and has implemented a written policy addressing sexual harassment prevention in the workplace and provides annual sexual harassment prevention training to all of its employees. Such policy shall, at a minimum, meet the requirements of section two hundred one-g of the labor law.

If the Contractor cannot make the foregoing certification, such Contractor shall so state and shall furnish a signed statement that sets forth in detail the reasons that the Contractor cannot make the certification.

By signing you certify your express authority to sign on behalf of yourself, your company, or other entity and full knowledge and acceptance of this Certification document and that all information provided is complete, true and accurate.

Authorized Signature		Date
Print Name		Title
Company Name		
D/B/A - Doing Business As (if ap	pplicable)	
Address		
City	State	Zip

RETURN THIS PAGE AS PART OF THE BID

Vendor Assurance of No Conflict of Interest or Detrimental Effect

The Firm offering to provide commodities/services pursuant to this IFB, as a contractor, joint venture contractor, subcontractor, or consultant, attests that its performance of the services outlined in this solicitation does not and will not create a conflict of interest with nor position the Firm to breach any other contract currently in force with the State of New York.

Furthermore, the Firm attests that it will not act in any manner that is detrimental to any State project on which the Firm is rendering services. Specifically, the Firm attests that:

- 1. The fulfillment of obligations by the Firm, as proposed in the response, does not violate any existing contracts or agreements between the Firm and the State;
- 2. The fulfillment of obligations by the Firm, as proposed in the response, does not and will not create any conflict of interest, or perception thereof, with any current role or responsibility that the Firm has with regard to any existing contracts or agreements between the Firm and the State;
- 3. The fulfillment of the obligations by the Firm, as proposed in the response, does not and will not compromise the Firm's ability to carry out its obligations under any existing contracts between the Firm and the State;
- 4. The fulfillment of any other contractual obligations that the Firm has with the State will not affect or influence its ability to perform under any contract with the State resulting from this IFB;
- 5. During the negotiation and execution of any contract resulting from this IFB, the Firm will not knowingly take any action or make any decision which creates a potential for conflict of interest or might cause a detrimental impact to the State as a whole including, but not limited to, any action or decision to divert resources from one State project to another;
- 6. In fulfilling obligations under each of its State contracts, including any contract which results from this IFB, the Firm will act in accordance with the terms of each of its State contracts and will not knowingly take any action or make any decision which might cause a detrimental impact to the State as a whole including, but not limited to, any action or decision to divert recourses from one State project to another;
- 7. No former officer or employee of the State who is now employed by the Firm, nor any former officer or employee or the Firm who is now employed by the State, has played a role with regard to the administration of this contract procurement in a manner that may violate section 73(8)(a) of the State Ethics Law; and
- 8. The Firm has not and shall not offer to any employee, member or director of the State any gift, whether in the form of money, service, loan, travel, entertainment, hospitality, thing or promise, or in any other form, under circumstances in which it could reasonably be inferred that the gift was intended to influence said employee, member or director, or could reasonably be expected to influence said employed, member or director, in the performance of the official duty of said employee, member or director or was intended as a reward for any official action on the part of said employee, member or director.

Firms responding to this IFB should note that the State recognizes that conflicts may occur in the future because a Firm may have existing or new relationships. The State will review the nature of any such new relationships and reserves the right to terminate the contract for cause if, in its judgment, a real or potential conflict of interest cannot be cured.

Signature: Date:	Name, Title:	
Signature: Date:		
	Signature:	Date:

This form must be signed by an authorized executive or legal representative.

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CONTRACTOR CERTIFICATION FORMS (Pursuant to Section 5-A of the Tax Law)

Form ST-220-TD (4 pages)

If filing with the Department of Taxation& Finance for the first time, or previously submitted information needs to be updated, these 4 pages must be removed from this bid, completed, signed and submitted directly to the Department of Taxation and Finance.

Form available at:

http://www.tax.ny.gov/pdf/current_forms/st/st220td_fill_in.pdf

Form ST-220-CA (2 pages)

Regardless of whether ST-220-TD is being filed/updated for this bid or not, these 2 pages must be completed, signed and returned with this bid.

Form available at:

http://www.tax.ny.gov/pdf/current_forms/st/st220ca_fill_in.pdf

APPENDIX A

STANDARD CLAUSES FOR NEW YORK STATE CONTRACTS

PLEASE RETAIN THIS DOCUMENT FOR FUTURE REFERENCE.

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STANDARD CLAUSES FOR NYS CONTRACTS

The parties to the attached contract, license, lease, amendment or other agreement of any kind (hereinafter, "the contract" or "this contract") agree to be bound by the following clauses which are hereby made a part of the contract (the word "Contractor" herein refers to any party other than the State, whether a contractor, licenser, licensee, lessor, lessee or any other party):

- 1. EXECUTORY CLAUSE. In accordance with Section 41 of the State Finance Law, the State shall have no liability under this contract to the Contractor or to anyone else beyond funds appropriated and available for this contract.
- 2. NON-ASSIGNMENT CLAUSE. In accordance with Section 138 of the State Finance Law, this contract may not be assigned by the Contractor or its right, title or interest therein assigned, transferred, conveyed, sublet or otherwise disposed of without the State's previous written consent, and attempts to do so are null and void. Notwithstanding the foregoing, such prior written consent of an assignment of a contract let pursuant to Article XI of the State Finance Law may be waived at the discretion of the contracting agency and with the concurrence of the State Comptroller where the original contract was subject to the State Comptroller's approval, where the assignment is due to a reorganization, merger or consolidation of the Contractor's business entity or enterprise. The State retains its right to approve an assignment and to require that any Contractor demonstrate its responsibility to do business with the State. The Contractor may, however, assign its right to receive payments without the State's prior written consent unless this contract concerns Certificates of Participation pursuant to Article 5-A of the State Finance Law.
- 3. COMPTROLLER'S APPROVAL. In accordance with Section 112 of the State Finance Law (or, if this contract is with the State University or City University of New York, Section 355 or Section 6218 of the Education Law), if this contract exceeds \$50,000 (or the minimum thresholds agreed to by the Office of the State Comptroller for certain S.U.N.Y. and C.U.N.Y. contracts), or if this is an amendment for any amount to a contract which, as so amended, exceeds said statutory amount, or if, by this contract, the State agrees to give something other than money when the value or reasonably estimated value of such consideration exceeds \$25,000, it shall not be valid, effective or binding upon the State until it has been approved by the State Comptroller and filed in his office. Comptroller's approval of contracts let by the Office of General Services is required when such contracts exceed \$85,000 (State Finance Law § 163.6-a). However, such pre-approval shall not be required for any contract established as a centralized contract through the Office of General Services or for a purchase order or other transaction issued under such centralized contract.
- **4.** WORKERS' COMPENSATION BENEFITS. In accordance with Section 142 of the State Finance Law, this contract shall be void and of no force and effect unless the

Contractor shall provide and maintain coverage during the life of this contract for the benefit of such employees as are required to be covered by the provisions of the Workers' Compensation Law.

- 5. NON-DISCRIMINATION REQUIREMENTS. To the extent required by Article 15 of the Executive Law (also known as the Human Rights Law) and all other State and Federal statutory and constitutional non-discrimination provisions, the Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment, nor subject any individual to harassment, because of age, race, creed, color, national origin, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, military status, sex, disability, predisposing genetic characteristics, familial status, marital status, or domestic violence victim status or because the individual has opposed any practices forbidden under the Human Rights Law or has filed a complaint, testified, or assisted in any proceeding under the Human Rights Law. Furthermore, in accordance with Section 220-e of the Labor Law, if this is a contract for the construction, alteration or repair of any public building or public work or for the manufacture, sale or distribution of materials, equipment or supplies, and to the extent that this contract shall be performed within the State of New York, Contractor agrees that neither it nor its subcontractors shall, by reason of race, creed, color, disability, sex, or national origin: (a) discriminate in hiring against any New York State citizen who is qualified and available to perform the work; or (b) discriminate against or intimidate any employee hired for the performance of work under this contract. If this is a building service contract as defined in Section 230 of the Labor Law, then, in accordance with Section 239 thereof, Contractor agrees that neither it nor its subcontractors shall by reason of race, creed, color, national origin, age, sex or disability: (a) discriminate in hiring against any New York State citizen who is qualified and available to perform the work; or (b) discriminate against or intimidate any employee hired for the performance of work under this contract. Contractor is subject to fines of \$50.00 per person per day for any violation of Section 220-e or Section 239 as well as possible termination of this contract and forfeiture of all moneys due hereunder for a second or subsequent violation.
- 6. WAGE AND HOURS PROVISIONS. If this is a public work contract covered by Article 8 of the Labor Law or a building service contract covered by Article 9 thereof, neither Contractor's employees nor the employees of its subcontractors may be required or permitted to work more than the number of hours or days stated in said statutes, except as otherwise provided in the Labor Law and as set forth in prevailing wage and supplement schedules issued by the State Labor Department. Furthermore, Contractor and its subcontractors must pay at least the prevailing wage rate and pay or provide the prevailing supplements, including the premium rates for overtime pay, as determined by the State Labor Department in accordance with the Labor Law. Additionally, effective April 28, 2008, if this is a public work contract covered by Article 8 of the Labor Law, the Contractor understands and agrees that the filing of payrolls in a manner consistent with Subdivision 3-

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a of Section 220 of the Labor Law shall be a condition precedent to payment by the State of any State approved sums due and owing for work done upon the project.

- 7. NON-COLLUSIVE BIDDING CERTIFICATION. In accordance with Section 139-d of the State Finance Law, if this contract was awarded based upon the submission of bids, Contractor affirms, under penalty of perjury, that its bid was arrived at independently and without collusion aimed at restricting competition. Contractor further affirms that, at the time Contractor submitted its bid, an authorized and responsible person executed and delivered to the State a non-collusive bidding certification on Contractor's behalf.
- 8. INTERNATIONAL BOYCOTT PROHIBITION. In accordance with Section 220-f of the Labor Law and Section 139-h of the State Finance Law, if this contract exceeds \$5,000. the Contractor agrees, as a material condition of the contract, that neither the Contractor nor any substantially owned or affiliated person, firm, partnership or corporation has participated, is participating, or shall participate in an international boycott in violation of the federal Export Administration Act of 1979 (50 USC App. Sections 2401 et seq.) or regulations thereunder. If such Contractor, or any of the aforesaid affiliates of Contractor, is convicted or is otherwise found to have violated said laws or regulations upon the final determination of the United States Commerce Department or any other appropriate agency of the United States subsequent to the contract's execution, such contract, amendment or modification thereto shall be rendered forfeit and void. The Contractor shall so notify the State Comptroller within five (5) business days of such conviction, determination or disposition of appeal (2 NYCRR § 105.4).
- 9. SET-OFF RIGHTS. The State shall have all of its common law, equitable and statutory rights of set-off. These rights shall include, but not be limited to, the State's option to withhold for the purposes of set-off any moneys due to the Contractor under this contract up to any amounts due and owing to the State with regard to this contract, any other contract with any State department or agency, including any contract for a term commencing prior to the term of this contract, plus any amounts due and owing to the State for any other reason including, without limitation, tax delinquencies, fee delinquencies or monetary penalties relative thereto. The State shall exercise its set-off rights in accordance with normal State practices including, in cases of set-off pursuant to an audit, the finalization of such audit by the State agency, its representatives, or the State Comptroller.
- 10. <u>RECORDS</u>. The Contractor shall establish and maintain complete and accurate books, records, documents, accounts and other evidence directly pertinent to performance under this contract (hereinafter, collectively, the "Records"). The Records must be kept for the balance of the calendar year in which they were made and for six (6) additional years thereafter. The State Comptroller, the Attorney General and any other person or entity authorized to conduct an examination, as well as the

agency or agencies involved in this contract, shall have access to the Records during normal business hours at an office of the Contractor within the State of New York or, if no such office is available, at a mutually agreeable and reasonable venue within the State, for the term specified above for the purposes of inspection, auditing and copying. The State shall take reasonable steps to protect from public disclosure any of the Records which are exempt from disclosure under Section 87 of the Public Officers Law (the "Statute") provided that: (i) the Contractor shall timely inform an appropriate State official, in writing, that said records should not be disclosed; and (ii) said records shall be sufficiently identified; and (iii) designation of said records as exempt under the Statute is reasonable. Nothing contained herein shall diminish, or in any way adversely affect, the State's right to discovery in any pending or future litigation.

- 11. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION AND PRIVACY NOTIFICATION. (a) Identification Number(s). Every invoice or New York State Claim for Payment submitted to a New York State agency by a payee, for payment for the sale of goods or services or for transactions (e.g., leases, easements, licenses, etc.) related to real or personal property must include the payee's identification number. The number is any or all of the following: (i) the payee's Federal employer identification number, (ii) the payee's Federal social security number, and/or (iii) the payee's Vendor Identification Number assigned by the Statewide Financial System. Failure to include such number or numbers may delay payment. Where the payee does not have such number or numbers, the payee, on its invoice or Claim for Payment, must give the reason or reasons why the payee does not have such number or numbers.
- (b) Privacy Notification. (1) The authority to request the above personal information from a seller of goods or services or a lessor of real or personal property, and the authority to maintain such information, is found in Section 5 of the State Tax Law. Disclosure of this information by the seller or lessor to the State is mandatory. The principal purpose for which the information is collected is to enable the State to identify individuals, businesses and others who have been delinquent in filing tax returns or may have understated their tax liabilities and to generally identify persons affected by the taxes administered by the Commissioner of Taxation and Finance. The information will be used for tax administration purposes and for any other purpose authorized by law. (2) The personal information is requested by the purchasing unit of the agency contracting to purchase the goods or services or lease the real or personal property covered by this contract or lease. The information is maintained in the Statewide Financial System by the Vendor Management Unit within the Bureau of State Expenditures. Office of the State Comptroller, 110 State Street, Albany, New York 12236.
- 12. EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINORITIES AND WOMEN. In accordance with Section 312 of the Executive Law and 5 NYCRR Part 143, if this contract is: (i) a written agreement or purchase order instrument, providing for a total expenditure in excess of

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\$25,000.00, whereby a contracting agency is committed to expend or does expend funds in return for labor, services, supplies, equipment, materials or any combination of the foregoing, to be performed for, or rendered or furnished to the contracting agency; or (ii) a written agreement in excess of \$100,000.00 whereby a contracting agency is committed to expend or does expend funds for the acquisition, construction, demolition, replacement, major repair or renovation of real property and improvements thereon; or (iii) a written agreement in excess of \$100,000.00 whereby the owner of a State assisted housing project is committed to expend or does expend funds for the acquisition, construction, demolition, replacement, major repair or renovation of real property and improvements thereon for such project, then the following shall apply and by signing this agreement the Contractor certifies and affirms that it is Contractor's equal employment opportunity policy that:

- (a) The Contractor will not discriminate against employees or applicants for employment because of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, disability or marital status, shall make and document its conscientious and active efforts to employ and utilize minority group members and women in its work force on State contracts and will undertake or continue existing programs of affirmative action to ensure that minority group members and women are afforded equal employment opportunities without discrimination. Affirmative action shall mean recruitment, employment, job assignment, promotion, upgradings, demotion, transfer, layoff, or termination and rates of pay or other forms of compensation;
- (b) at the request of the contracting agency, the Contractor shall request each employment agency, labor union, or authorized representative of workers with which it has a collective bargaining or other agreement or understanding, to furnish a written statement that such employment agency, labor union or representative will not discriminate on the basis of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, disability or marital status and that such union or representative will affirmatively cooperate in the implementation of the Contractor's obligations herein; and
- (c) the Contractor shall state, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees, that, in the performance of the State contract, all qualified applicants will be afforded equal employment opportunities without discrimination because of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, disability or marital status.

Contractor will include the provisions of "a," "b," and "c" above, in every subcontract over \$25,000.00 for the construction, demolition, replacement, major repair, renovation, planning or design of real property and improvements thereon (the "Work") except where the Work is for the beneficial use of the Contractor. Section 312 does not apply to: (i) work, goods or services unrelated to this contract; or (ii) employment outside New York State. The State shall consider compliance by a contractor or subcontractor with the requirements of any federal law concerning equal employment opportunity which effectuates the purpose of this clause. The

contracting agency shall determine whether the imposition of the requirements of the provisions hereof duplicate or conflict with any such federal law and if such duplication or conflict exists, the contracting agency shall waive the applicability of Section 312 to the extent of such duplication or conflict. Contractor will comply with all duly promulgated and lawful rules and regulations of the Department of Economic Development's Division of Minority and Women's Business Development pertaining hereto.

- **13.** <u>CONFLICTING TERMS</u>. In the event of a conflict between the terms of the contract (including any and all attachments thereto and amendments thereof) and the terms of this Appendix A, the terms of this Appendix A shall control.
- **14. GOVERNING LAW.** This contract shall be governed by the laws of the State of New York except where the Federal supremacy clause requires otherwise.
- **15. LATE PAYMENT.** Timeliness of payment and any interest to be paid to Contractor for late payment shall be governed by Article 11-A of the State Finance Law to the extent required by law.
- **16. NO ARBITRATION.** Disputes involving this contract, including the breach or alleged breach thereof, may not be submitted to binding arbitration (except where statutorily authorized), but must, instead, be heard in a court of competent jurisdiction of the State of New York.
- 17. SERVICE OF PROCESS. In addition to the methods of service allowed by the State Civil Practice Law & Rules ("CPLR"), Contractor hereby consents to service of process upon it by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested. Service hereunder shall be complete upon Contractor's actual receipt of process or upon the State's receipt of the return thereof by the United States Postal Service as refused or undeliverable. Contractor must promptly notify the State, in writing, of each and every change of address to which service of process can be made. Service by the State to the last known address shall be sufficient. Contractor will have thirty (30) calendar days after service hereunder is complete in which to respond.
- 18. PROHIBITION ON PURCHASE OF TROPICAL HARDWOODS. The Contractor certifies and warrants that all wood products to be used under this contract award will be in accordance with, but not limited to, the specifications and provisions of Section 165 of the State Finance Law, (Use of Tropical Hardwoods) which prohibits purchase and use of tropical hardwoods, unless specifically exempted, by the State or any governmental agency or political subdivision or public benefit corporation. Qualification for an exemption under this law will be the responsibility of the contractor to establish to meet with the approval of the State.

In addition, when any portion of this contract involving the use of woods, whether supply or installation, is to be performed by

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any subcontractor, the prime Contractor will indicate and certify in the submitted bid proposal that the subcontractor has been informed and is in compliance with specifications and provisions regarding use of tropical hardwoods as detailed in § 165 State Finance Law. Any such use must meet with the approval of the State; otherwise, the bid may not be considered responsive. Under bidder certifications, proof of qualification for exemption will be the responsibility of the Contractor to meet with the approval of the State.

- 19. MACBRIDE FAIR EMPLOYMENT PRINCIPLES. In accordance with the MacBride Fair Employment Principles (Chapter 807 of the Laws of 1992), the Contractor hereby stipulates that the Contractor either (a) has no business operations in Northern Ireland, or (b) shall take lawful steps in good faith to conduct any business operations in Northern Ireland in accordance with the MacBride Fair Employment Principles (as described in Section 165 of the New York State Finance Law), and shall permit independent monitoring of compliance with such principles.
- **20. OMNIBUS PROCUREMENT ACT OF 1992.** It is the policy of New York State to maximize opportunities for the participation of New York State business enterprises, including minority- and women-owned business enterprises as bidders, subcontractors and suppliers on its procurement contracts.

Information on the availability of New York State subcontractors and suppliers is available from:

NYS Department of Economic Development Division for Small Business Albany, New York 12245 Telephone: 518-292-5100 Fax: 518-292-5884

email: opa@esd.ny.gov

A directory of certified minority- and women-owned business enterprises is available from:

NYS Department of Economic Development Division of Minority and Women's Business Development 633 Third Avenue

New York, NY 10017 212-803-2414

email: <u>mwbecertification@esd.ny.gov</u>

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The Omnibus Procurement Act of 1992 (Chapter 844 of the Laws of 1992, codified in State Finance Law § 139-i and Public Authorities Law § 2879(3)(n)–(p)) requires that by signing this bid proposal or contract, as applicable, Contractors certify that whenever the total bid amount is greater than \$1 million:

(a) The Contractor has made reasonable efforts to encourage the participation of New York State Business Enterprises as suppliers and subcontractors, including certified minority- and women-owned business enterprises, on this project, and has retained the documentation of these efforts to be provided upon request to the State;

- (b) The Contractor has complied with the Federal Equal Opportunity Act of 1972 (P.L. 92-261), as amended;
- (c) The Contractor agrees to make reasonable efforts to provide notification to New York State residents of employment opportunities on this project through listing any such positions with the Job Service Division of the New York State Department of Labor, or providing such notification in such manner as is consistent with existing collective bargaining contracts or agreements. The Contractor agrees to document these efforts and to provide said documentation to the State upon request; and
- (d) The Contractor acknowledges notice that the State may seek to obtain offset credits from foreign countries as a result of this contract and agrees to cooperate with the State in these efforts.
- 21. RECIPROCITY AND SANCTIONS PROVISIONS. Bidders are hereby notified that if their principal place of business is located in a country, nation, province, state or political subdivision that penalizes New York State vendors, and if the goods or services they offer will be substantially produced or performed outside New York State, the Omnibus Procurement Act 1994 and 2000 amendments (Chapter 684 and Chapter 383, respectively, codified in State Finance Law § 165(6) and Public Authorities Law § 2879(5))) require that they be denied contracts which they would otherwise obtain. NOTE: As of October 2019, the list of discriminatory jurisdictions subject to this provision includes the states of South Carolina, Alaska, West Virginia, Wyoming, Louisiana and Hawaii.
- **22.** COMPLIANCE WITH BREACH NOTIFICATION AND DATA SECURITY LAWS. Contractor shall comply with the provisions of the New York State Information Security Breach and Notification Act (General Business Law § 899-aa and State Technology Law § 208) and commencing March 21, 2020 shall also comply with General Business Law § 899-bb.
- 23. COMPLIANCE WITH **CONSULTANT** DISCLOSURE LAW. If this is a contract for consulting services, defined for purposes of this requirement to include analysis, evaluation, research, training, data processing, computer programming, engineering, environmental, health, and mental health services, accounting, auditing, paralegal, legal or similar services, then, in accordance with Section 163 (4)(g) of the State Finance Law (as amended by Chapter 10 of the Laws of 2006), the Contractor shall timely, accurately and properly comply with the requirement to submit an annual employment report for the contract to the agency that awarded the contract, the Department of Civil Service and the State Comptroller.

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24. PROCUREMENT LOBBYING. To the extent this agreement is a "procurement contract" as defined by State Finance Law §§ 139-j and 139-k, by signing this agreement the contractor certifies and affirms that all disclosures made in accordance with State Finance Law §§ 139-j and 139-k are complete, true and accurate. In the event such certification is found to be intentionally false or intentionally incomplete, the State may terminate the agreement by providing written notification to the Contractor in accordance with the terms of the agreement.

25. <u>CERTIFICATION OF REGISTRATION TO COLLECT SALES AND COMPENSATING USE TAX BY CERTAIN STATE CONTRACTORS, AFFILIATES AND SUBCONTRACTORS.</u>

To the extent this agreement is a contract as defined by Tax Law § 5-a, if the contractor fails to make the certification required by Tax Law § 5-a or if during the term of the contract, the Department of Taxation and Finance or the covered agency, as defined by Tax Law § 5-a, discovers that the certification, made under penalty of perjury, is false, then such failure to file or false certification shall be a material breach of this contract and this contract may be terminated, by providing written notification to the Contractor in accordance with the terms of the agreement, if the covered agency determines that such action is in the best interest of the State.

26. **IRAN DIVESTMENT ACT**. By entering into this Agreement, Contractor certifies in accordance with State Finance Law § 165-a that it is not on the "Entities Determined to be Non-Responsive Bidders/Offerers pursuant to the New York State Iran Divestment Act of 2012" ("Prohibited Entities List") posted at: https://ogs.ny.gov/list-entities-determined-be-non-responsive-biddersofferers-pursuant-nys-iran-divestment-act-2012

Contractor further certifies that it will not utilize on this Contract any subcontractor that is identified on the Prohibited Entities List. Contractor agrees that should it seek to renew or extend this Contract, it must provide the same certification at the time the Contract is renewed or extended. Contractor also agrees that any proposed Assignee of this Contract will be required to certify that it is not on the Prohibited Entities List before the contract assignment will be approved by the State.

During the term of the Contract, should the state agency receive information that a person (as defined in State Finance Law § 165-a) is in violation of the above-referenced certifications, the state agency will review such information and offer the person an opportunity to respond. If the person fails to demonstrate that it has ceased its engagement in the investment activity which is in violation of the Act within 90 days after the determination of such violation, then the state agency shall take such action as may be appropriate and provided for by law, rule, or contract, including, but not limited to, imposing sanctions, seeking compliance, recovering damages, or declaring the Contractor in default.

The state agency reserves the right to reject any bid, request for assignment, renewal or extension for an entity that appears on the Prohibited Entities List prior to the award, assignment, renewal or extension of a contract, and to pursue a responsibility review with respect to any entity that is awarded a contract and appears on the Prohibited Entities list after contract award.

27. <u>ADMISSIBILITY</u> OF <u>REPRODUCTION</u> OF <u>CONTRACT</u>. Notwithstanding the best evidence rule or any other legal principle or rule of evidence to the contrary, the Contractor acknowledges and agrees that it waives any and all objections to the admissibility into evidence at any court proceeding or to the use at any examination before trial of an electronic reproduction of this contract, in the form approved by the State Comptroller, if such approval was required, regardless of whether the original of said contract is in existence.

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Appendix C

PARTICIPATION BY MINORITY AND WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISES: REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES

<u>PARTICIPATION BY MINORITY AND WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISES:</u> <u>REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES</u>

I. General Provisions

- A. The Department of Corrections and Community Supervision (hereinafter referred to as "DOCCS") is required to implement the provisions of New York State Executive Law Article 15-A and Parts 140-145 of Title 5 of the New York Codes, Rules and Regulations ("NYCRR") for all State contracts, as defined therein, with a value (1) in excess of \$25,000 for labor, services, equipment, materials, or any combination of the foregoing or (2) in excess of \$100,000 for real property renovations and construction.
- B. The contractor to the subject contract (the "Contractor" and the "Contract," respectively) agrees, in addition to any other nondiscrimination provision of the Contract and at no additional cost to "DOCCS, to fully comply and cooperate with DOCCS in the implementation of New York State Executive Law Article 15-A and the regulations promulgated thereunder. These requirements include equal employment opportunities for minority group members and women ("EEO") and contracting opportunities for New York State-certified minority and women-owned business enterprises ("MWBEs"). The Contractor's demonstration of "good faith efforts" pursuant to 5 NYCRR § 142.8 shall be a part of these requirements. These provisions shall be deemed supplementary to, and not in lieu of, the nondiscrimination provisions required by New York State Executive Law Article 15 (the "Human Rights Law") and other applicable federal, state, and local laws.
- C. Failure to comply with all of the requirements herein may result in a finding of non-responsiveness, non-responsibility and/or a breach of contract, leading to the assessment of liquidated damages pursuant to Section VII of this Appendix and such other remedies are available to DOCCS pursuant to the Contract and applicable law.

II. Contract Goals

- A. For purposes of this procurement, DOCCS has determined that the contract does not offer sufficient opportunities to set goals for participation by MWBEs as subcontractors, service providers and suppliers to the awarded contractor. Contractor is encouraged to make every good faith effort to promote and assist the participation of New York State Certified Minority and Women-owned Business Enterprises (MWBE) on this contract for the provision of services or materials. To locate New York State Certified MWBEs, the directory of Certified Businesses can be viewed https://ny.newnycontracts.com
- B. For purposes of providing meaningful participation by MWBEs on the Contract and achieving the MWBE Contract Goals established in Section II-A hereof, the Contractor should reference the directory of MWBEs at the following internet address: https://ny.newnycontracts.com.

Additionally, the Contractor is encouraged to contact the Division of Minority and Women's Business Development at (212) 803-2414 to discuss additional methods of maximizing participation by MWBEs on the Contract.

- C. The Contractor understands that only sums paid to MWBEs for the performance of a commercially useful function, as that term is defined in 5 NYCRR § 140.1, may be applied towards the achievement of the applicable MWBE participation goal.

 The portion of a contract with an MWBE serving as a broker that shall be deemed to represent the commercially useful function performed by the MWBE shall be 25 percent of the total value of the contract.
- D. The Contractor must document "good faith efforts," pursuant to 5 NYCRR § 142.8, to provide meaningful participation by MWBEs as subcontractors and suppliers in the performance of the Contract. Such documentation shall include, but not necessarily be limited to:
 - 1. Evidence of outreach to MWBEs;
 - 2. Any responses by MWBEs to the Contractor's outreach;
 - 3. Copies of advertisements for participation by MWBEs in appropriate general circulation, trade, and minority or women-oriented publications;
 - 4. The dates of attendance at any pre-bid, pre-award, or other meetings, if any, scheduled by DOCCS with MWBEs; and,
 - 5. Information describing specific steps undertaken by the Contractor to reasonably structure the Contract scope of work to maximize opportunities for MWBE participation.

III. Equal Employment Opportunity ("EEO")

- A. The provisions of Article 15-A of the Executive Law and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder pertaining to equal employment opportunities for minority group members and women shall apply to the Contract.
- B. In performing the Contract, the Contractor shall:
 - 1. Ensure that each contractor and subcontractor performing work on the Contract shall undertake or continue existing EEO programs to ensure that minority group members and women are afforded equal employment opportunities without discrimination because of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, disability or marital status. For these purposes, EEO shall apply in the areas of recruitment, employment, job assignment, promotion, upgrading, demotion, transfer, layoff, or termination and rates of pay or other forms of compensation.
 - 2. The Contractor shall submit an EEO policy statement to DOCCS within seventy-two (72) hours after the date of the notice by DOCCS to award the Contract to the Contractor.
 - 3. If the Contractor, or any of its subcontractors, does not have an existing EEO policy statement, DOCCS may require the Contractor or subcontractor to adopt a model statement (see Form Equal Employment Opportunity Policy Statement).

- 4. The Contractor's EEO policy statement shall include the following language:
 - a. The Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, or marital status, will undertake or continue existing EEO programs to ensure that minority group members and women are afforded equal employment opportunities without discrimination, and shall make and document its conscientious and active efforts to employ and utilize minority group members and women in its work force.
 - b. The Contractor shall state in all solicitations or advertisements for employees that, in the performance of the contract, all qualified applicants will be afforded equal employment opportunities without discrimination because of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, disability or marital status.
 - c. The Contractor shall request each employment agency, labor union, or authorized representative of workers with which it has a collective bargaining or other agreement or understanding, to furnish a written statement that such employment agency, labor union, or representative will not discriminate on the basis of race, creed, color, national origin, sex age, disability or marital status and that such union or representative will affirmatively cooperate in the implementation of the Contractor's obligations herein.
 - d. The Contractor will include the provisions of Subdivisions (a) through (c) of this Subsection 4 and Paragraph "E" of this Section III, which provides for relevant provisions of the Human Rights Law, in every subcontract in such a manner that the requirements of the subdivisions will be binding upon each subcontractor as to work in connection with the Contract.

C. Form EEO 100 - Staffing Plan

To ensure compliance with this Section, the Contractor shall submit a staffing plan to document the composition of the proposed workforce to be utilized in the performance of the Contract by the specified categories listed, including ethnic background, gender, and Federal occupational categories. The Contractor shall complete the staffing plan form and submit it as part of their bid or proposal or within a reasonable time, as directed by DOCCS.

D. Form EEO-1 - Workforce Utilization Report

- 1. The Contractor shall submit a Workforce Utilization Report, and shall require each of its subcontractors to submit a Workforce Utilization Report, in such form as shall be required by DOCCS on a QUARTERLY basis during the term of the Contract.
- 2. Separate forms shall be completed by the Contractor and any subcontractors.
- 3. Pursuant to Executive Order #162, contractors and subcontractors are also required to report the gross wages paid to each of their employees for the work performed by such employees on the contract on a quarterly basis.

E. The Contractor shall comply with the provisions of the Human Rights Law, and all other State and Federal statutory and constitutional non-discrimination provisions. The Contractor and its subcontractors shall not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, creed (religion), color, sex, national origin, sexual orientation, military status, age, disability, predisposing genetic characteristic, marital status or domestic violence victim status, and shall also follow the requirements of the Human Rights Law with regard to non-discrimination on the basis of prior criminal conviction and prior arrest.

IV. Liquidated Damages - MWBE Participation

- A. Where DOCCS determines that the Contractor is not in compliance with the requirements of this Appendix and the Contractor refuses to comply with such requirements, or if the Contractor is found to have willfully and intentionally failed to comply with the MWBE participation goals, the Contractor shall be obligated to pay to DOCCS liquidated damages.
- B. Such liquidated damages shall be calculated as an amount equaling the difference between:
 - 1. All sums identified for payment to MWBEs had the Contractor achieved the contractual MWBE goals; and
 - 2. All sums actually paid to MWBEs for work performed or materials supplied under the Contract.
- C. In the event a determination has been made which requires the payment of liquidated damages and such identified sums have not been withheld by DOCCS, the Contractor shall pay such liquidated damages to DOCCS within sixty (60) days after they are assessed. Provided, however, that if the Contractor has filed a complaint with the Director of the Division of Minority and Women's Business Development pursuant to 5 NYCRR § 142.12, liquidated damages shall be payable only in the event of a determination adverse to the Contractor following the complaint process.

MINORITY AND WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISES – EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY POLICY STATEMENT

M/WBE AND EEO POLICY STATEMENT

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